## **Preface**

The Central Statistical Office, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation is bringing out regular publication entitled "Compendium of Environment Statistics India" providing detailed statistics on five core parameters namely, bio-diversity, atmosphere, land/soil, water and human settlement suggested by the Framework for Development of Environment Statistics (FDES) published by United Nations Statistical Division in 1984. The Compendium is expected to serve the needs of Environment planners and policy makers as well as other government and non-government organizations and research institutions working in the field.

This issue is Fourteenth edition in the series. The data given in the Compendium is based on the information provided by the Union government Ministries/Departments/organizations from published records and websites of various agencies. The current Compendium is a compilation of latest data available from the source agencies.

I expect the Compendium will benefit all those who are involved in the field of policy, planning, management, administration, and research in the areas related to environment.

We welcome your suggestions/comments for further improvement of the Publication. Suggestions may be sent to adg-ssd@nic.in.

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