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Message

I am extremely delighted to know that like earlier years, this year also the Central Statistics Office (CSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOS&PI) is bringing out the Statistical Year Book, 2014. The MOS&PI is the nodal agency for coordinating the Statistical System in the country and has the responsibility for improving the quality and timeliness of existing datasets.

Statistics has been playing an ever increasing role in shaping and providing scientific information that is useful in almost every aspect of human life and beyond. Moreover, the flow of information is ever increasing across the globe. In the recent years, all the Governments and International Agencies have been increasingly using state of the art tools of Information and Communication Technologies and methodologies of Statistics to improve the quality of input information for effective policy and decision making.

The Statistical Year Book being published by the CSO for past several years is one of the vital instruments designed to meet the ever growing diversified range of information requirement. The Publication provides data sets, not only on the various facets of the Economy of the Country, but also on the vital social aspects like housing, health, environment, infrastructure, tourism and crime. All efforts are being made to make the Publication user friendly and conveniently accessible by way of wide circulation. I appreciate the work carried out by the CSO and I hope that the users shall continue providing valuable feedback and suggestions so that the publication can be suitably updated in the upcoming versions.

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