

## PREFACE

This Report for the year ended March 2017 is prepared for submission to the Governor of Kerala under Article 151 of the Constitution of India.

The Report contains significant results of the performance audit and compliance audits of the Departments of Government of Kerala under the Economic Services including Departments of Forests and Wildlife, Water Resources and Public Works.

The instances mentioned in this Report are those, which came to notice in the course of test audit of records during the year 2016-17 as well as those, which came to notice in earlier years but could not be reported in previous Audit Reports. Instances relating to the period subsequent to 2016-17 are also included wherever necessary.

The Audit is conducted in conformity with the Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

