Preface

This Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India contains significant results of the Performance Audit on the Indo-Nepal Border Roads Project covering the period from 2010-11 to 2018-19 updated upto March 2021.

Government of India in November 2010 took up the construction of 1377 km of roads along the Indo-Nepal Border in Bihar (564 km), Uttar Pradesh (640 km) and Uttarakhand (173 km). The timeline for completion of the project was March 2016, but was subsequently extended to December 2022. The roads were to provide connectivity to Border Out Posts by running parallel to the international border, and would meet the requirements of the population in the border areas. The *Sashatra Seema Bal*, the designated border guarding force along the Indo-Nepal Border, was to benefit from this project by achieving faster mobility of troops to dominate the sensitive border more effectively.

The performance audit examined issues related to the planning of the project, execution of the construction works, financial management and monitoring mechanism to see whether the project was executed efficiently within the stipulated time to achieve its intended objectives.

This report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India containing the results of audit of Indo-Nepal Border Roads Project has been prepared for submission to the President under Article 151 of the Constitution of India.

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