

Preface

Decennial Census of India, which is considered as the biggest peace time administrative exercise in the World, has its history dating back to 1872 and is a treasure chest of a variety of valuable data pertaining to the population of the Country. The valuable set of indicators relating to the human capital of India, thrown up by the Census, are the empirical basis to evaluate the past, assess the present and take informed decisions for the future. Census provides a snap shot of the socio-economic, demographic and cultural profile of the country at a particular point of time. The reference moment for 2011 Census was 00:00 hrs of 1st March, 2011.

It is my great privilege to present the Publication 'Primary Census Abstract - Data Highlights Kerala Series-33' which presents the highlights of data relating to population in respect of the State of Kerala. It is hoped that this publication will be useful to a greater extend to the data users as it provides district level final data of Census 2011 pertaining to Population parameters like Total Population broken into Males and Females, Rural and Urban composition of population, Sex-ratio, Child Population in the age group 0-6 years, Child sex-ratio, Literacy rate, Gap in literacy, Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe Population, Density of Population and number of Workers. The data sets relating to work, present the data based on the status of workers with respect to their period of engagement (main and marginal workers) as well as their occupational category (Cultivators, Agricultural Laborers, Household industry Workers and other Workers). The gender composition and the residence status with respect to each set of data have also been presented at the State and District Level. In all, 48 Statements, 21 graphs and 21 maps are included in this publication. Apart from this publication, data down to the levels of Taluk, Statutory Town, Village, Census Town and Ward of Statutory Town is also available for dissemination and sales in electronic format.

I record my sincere gratitude to Dr.C.Chandramouli, Registrar General & Census Commissioner of India for his valuable guidance and tremendous support during the taking of Census and preparation of its final results, without which it would not have been possible for me to carry out this gigantic exercise, in the State of Kerala. I also place on record my sincere gratitude towards the Officers of the Office of the Registrar General, India for their co-operation and support.

The data set presented in this Publication has been finalized after vigorous quality, consistency and validation checks. In this great occasion, I place on record my appreciation of the tremendous efforts put in by the officers and staff members of the Directorate of Census Operations, Kerala who had shown extraordinary commitment and devotion to duty in achieving the target.

I also take this opportunity to thank the Officers and officials of Government of Kerala, the enumerators and supervisors of Census and the population of the State of Kerala for the sincere support extended by them during the Census 2011.

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