

FOREWORD

The Reserve Bank's annual publication, *Statistical Tables Relating to Banks in India*, provides key information on banks. It covers bank-wise and bank group-wise information on major items such as liabilities and assets, income and expenditure, non-performing assets, financial ratios, spatial distribution of offices, number of employees and details of priority sector advances. It also provides bank group-wise monthly data on some of the major items such as aggregate deposits, liabilities to the banking system, assets with the banking system, investments, bank credit, and, sector-wise and industry-wise gross bank credit.

This is the 65th volume of the publication by the Reserve Bank of India and would be the 90th volume in the series if we count the volumes brought out by the then Department of Statistics, Government of India. This volume has been brought out under the guidance of Dr. Balwant Singh, Principal Adviser, and Shri A. B. Chakraborty, Adviser, DSIM.

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I hope the current volume would prove to be a valuable source of information on Indian banks and the publication will be of immense use to researchers, analysts, policy makers and bankers.

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