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## FOREWORD

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The need for a strong data base for meaningful economic planning needs hardly any emphasis. The North-Eastern Council, since its inception in 1972 has been facing the need for systematic data while formulating schemes under different fields of development. The work of compilation and collation of information essential for preparing various plan schemes under the North-Eastern Council, at the moment is being done through the Evaluation and Monitoring Unit of the Council Secretariat. It may become necessary to set up a separate Statistical Wing in the Council Secretariat with the increase of the volume of work in that direction.

The "Basic Statistics of the North-Eastern Region" was being brought out in the last three years in a cyclostyled form. This year, however, we have decided to bring it out in printed form in view of the growing demand from different quarters for consolidated information about the NE Region.

This publication represents the result of a very modest effort on the part of the Evaluation and Monitoring Unit of this Secretariat to put at one place the more important information available in a scattered form in various publications of the Government of India, State Government, and other agencies. It is our earnest hope that we would be able to bring out a much more detailed and comprehensive publication in future.

Suggestions for improvement of the publication will be very much welcome.

Sd/-

(K. M. Mirani)  
Secretary

## **FOREWORD**

The "Basic Statistics of the North Eastern Region", 1980 is the fourth in the series of this annual publication. It seeks to present in a concise form selected statistical data relating to the Region. This year, however, for the first time, we have added a section wherein general statistical information relating to the country as a whole, has been given.

The publication has been brought out by the E & M Unit of this Secretariat. The basic work in respect of this publication has been done by Shri Jotin Dutta, Senior Investigator of the E & M Unit.

Suggestions for improvement of the future issues are welcome.

Shillong, the  
22nd August, 1980.

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