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FOREWORD

The Central Bureau of Health Intelligence (**CBHI**) has been regularly bringing out its annual publication “National Health Profile (**NHP**)” every year since 2005. It **involves** sustained, systematic and sincere efforts to collect and collate an enormous national data from the Directorates of Health & FW Services of all the 35 States/UTs, central government organizations, national health programmes and various other concerned national & international agencies in India.

This publication (**NHP**) of **vital national importance highlights** most of the relevant information under six major health indicators **viz.** Demographic, Socio-economic, Health Status, Health Finance, Health Infrastructure and Human Resources for the specified calendar year, and much other relevant information required for an efficient public health system in our country. The **sources** as well as limitations of the data are also appropriately indicated.

CBHI has been publishing the National Health Profile (**NHP**) in an **attractive & reader friendly** format while also incorporating the **trend analysis** of morbidity/mortality due to various communicable & non-communicable diseases that accounted for maximum reported cases/deaths during the calendar year, besides various other crucial information related to health sector in India.

This National **reference document** shall be of immense help to all concerned government departments & institutions, public sector enterprises, non government organization, policy makers, planners, administrators, managers, researchers and academicians involved with health sector development in India.

I would like to **compliment** and record my **appreciation** to the entire team of officers & staff of CBHI led by its Director for timely bringing out this **seventh Issue** of “National Health Profile 2011”.

The **suggestions** for further improvement of this publication will be highly appreciated and may kindly be shared with CBHI (Dte.GHS), GOI.

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