MESSAGE

I am glad to know that the Nineteenth Report of the "Prison Statistics India 2013" has been brought out by the National Crime Records Bureau. I am confident that this vital publication containing various aspects of prisons, prisoners and prison administration, will provide useful information to Policy makers, Criminologists, Research Scholars, Media / NGOs, Ministries / Departments of Government of India / State Governments, UT Administrations and other concerned Government Institutions. The Government of India and the State Governments / UT Administrations have taken up a number of ambitious prison reforms and innovative steps to provide a healthy, positive and reformative environment in conformity with the correctional philosophy of reforms. The timely publication of the Prison Statistics India, 2013 by NCRB will supplement those efforts.

I appreciate the efforts of the Prison Departments of all the States / UTs, for furnishing the data to bring out this publication. I would also like to record my appreciation for the outstanding work done by the officers and staff of the Statistical Branch of NCRB, for collating, compiling and preparing this Report.

I am sanguine the State Governments and UT Administrations will endeavour to bring out the next Edition of the Report by May, 2015.

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