MESSAGE

It gives me immense pleasure to see the report “Crime in India” for the year 2011 published by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB). This report has been the principal reference for crime statistics in India since 1953. This annual report provides meticulous and in-depth information on a range of aspects of crime in the country. This year we had taken special measures to publish the report within June.

Criminals are more organized than before due to better communication facilities and are continually adopting new techniques and modus operandi and developing new networks that go beyond the national boundaries. This poses a serious challenge for the law enforcement agencies, policy makers and other stakeholders of the criminal justice system. An exhaustive information base on every aspect of criminality in the society is required to properly analyse the emerging trends and patterns of crime and plan suitable policy and operational interventions and remedial strategies and measures accordingly. The annual report of the NCRB aims to fulfill these data requirements of various stakeholders.

I would urge the State Governments and UT Administrations and Heads of various law enforcement agencies to send validated data pertaining to the year 2012 to the NCRB by the month of February of next year, so that the report “Crime in India” for the year 2012 may be brought out by April 2013.

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