FOREWORD

It is indeed a great satisfaction to present the annual report ‘Accidental Deaths and Suicides in India’ for the year 2019. This volume is the 53rd in the series which started in the year 1967. The report continues to be an authoritative presentation of relevant information concerning accidents and suicides in India.

Loss of lives due to accidents and suicides results in irreparable damage to the families and to society at large. Exhaustive information on accidents and suicides is of utmost importance to carry out any meaningful study and to devise appropriate intervention measures. It is hoped that the policy makers, law enforcement agencies, government departments, researchers, media, NGOs, etc. will find the statistical information contained in this publication useful.

I am thankful for the efforts put in by the heads of Police of all the States, UTs & Mega Cities and SCRBCID in providing timely data for the publication even during the difficult situation of COVID-19 pandemic.
I wish to place on record my deep appreciation of the outstanding efforts made by the officers and staff of the Statistical Branch of NCRB in bringing out this report.

I look forward to suggestions and feedback for improving the future editions of the publication in content and quality.

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