INTRODUCTION

This annual report is designed to present statistics of accidental deaths and suicides in India. It is divided into two parts. Part-I deals with "Accidental Deaths" and gives All-India, State-wise, Union Territory-wise, Metropolitan City-wise, age-wise, causes-wise and sex-wise figures of such deaths. Part-II attempts to present similar statistics in respect of "Suicides".

2. The number of accidental deaths showed an upward trend in 1978 and the number of total accidental deaths reached to 118594 in 1978 from 117338 in 1977. The number of suicides also showed an upward trend in 1978 and the number of total suicides reached to 40207 in 1978 from 39718 in 1977.

3. The data has been compiled from figures furnished by the States, Union Territories and Metropolitan Cities.

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