REPORT ON KARNATAKA EVALUATION AUTHORITY FOR 2017-18

I. Introduction

Karnataka Evaluation Authority (KEA) was registered in the year 2011as a Society under the Karnataka Societies Registration Act, 1960. It functions under the aegis of Planning, Programme Monitoring and Statistics Department (PPMSD).

KEA carries out the following functions-

- Laying down standards for the evaluation of programmes and policies of the State,
- Providing institutional machinery to facilitate, supervise and enforce timely, useful and accountable evaluations,
- Building capacities of public agencies and independent evaluation agencies to undertake effective evaluations, and,
- Ensuring that the evaluation outputs are utilized for informal decision making and enhanced citizen satisfaction.

II. Activities of KEA during 2015-16

KEA initiated a number of activities during 2015-16. Its details are given below:

A. Regarding Personnel and Administration: KEA has one full time Chief Evaluation Officer with one Administrative Officer and supporting staff on deputation, an Accounts Officer from KIPA, two Associate Directors and two retired employees as Consultants.

Office and multitasking Staff have been taken on outsourcing basis.

In 2015-16, KEA has published Compendium of Findings and Recommendations of the evaluation studies conducted by Karnataka Evaluation Authority (KEA) from 2011 to November 2015.

B. Regarding Evaluation Studies:

In 2015-16 KEA prepared/sanctioned the Terms of Reference of 22 evaluation studies. It completed 23 evaluation studies (as of 15th March 2016) and conducted 20 trainings for capacity building in evaluation and trained 66 officers/Consultants in evaluation.

The KEA empanelled 49 Consultant Evaluation Organizations and 6 Independent Assessors in 2015-16.

C. Support to HDD & State Planning Board

KEA continued to support the ongoing work of HDD for preparing and printing the District as well as State Human Development Reports.

D. Meetings conducted:

1 Governing Body meetings and 9 Technical Committee meetings were conducted by the KEA in 2015-16.

E. KEA has been awarded ISO 9001:2015 certification for its process of conducting Programmes/Schemes Evaluations and Research Studies from Preparation of Terms of Reference to Grading of Final Evaluation Reports and the maintenance of records relating to it.

III. Income and expenditure of KEA in 2015-16

A Budget provision of Rs. 300 lacs was provided for KEA for the year 2015-16. Till 15th March 2016, an amount of Rs. 150 lacs was released and utilized.