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Minister of State (Ind. Charge)
Information & Public Relations,
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MESSAGE

It gives me an immense pleasure to learn that “**Orissa Reference Annual-2005**” is being brought out by the Information & Public Relations Department, Government of Orissa uninterruptedly for the third consecutive year recently.

In modern days, reference is a must and become indispensable for all of us today. We depend upon ‘Reference’ while procuring and disseminating information. There are no organizations who do not seek reference to make their present assessment and chalk out plans for the future. It is in this perspective, “ORISSA REFERENCE ANNUAL-2005” is catering information to the public on every aspect of Orissa. This publication has been highly admired by the students, research scholars and general public.

I congratulate its editor, Shri Tarakanta Mohanty, Deputy Director-cum-Deputy Secretary of Information & Public Relations Department for his untiring zeal and devotion in editing this Reference Annual. He has taken sufficient care to include all plans, policies, schemes, programmes and achievements of our State as well as her art, life and culture in a comprehensive manner. Due to his effort, this Reference Annual has become a handy one.

I also take this opportunity to congratulate all other officials and staff of Information & Public Relations Department those who have cooperated him for success of this ‘Reference Annual’.

I wish the venture all success.

(DEBASIS NAYAK)



Dr. Subas Pani, I.A.S.
Chief Secretary &
Chief Development Commissioner, Govt. of Orissa

MESSAGE

I am happy to know that Orissa Reference Annual - 2005 is being published by the Information and Public Relations Department. This is a handy reference book which meets the information needs of a wide cross section of readers - academics, students, researchers, travellers, investors and the general public. I hope it will set new standards for a comprehensive and accurate compendium of information on the State.

(DR. SUBAS PANI)



Shri Ajit Kumar Tripathy, I.A.S.
Development Commissioner-cum-
Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of Orissa

MESSAGE

I am extremely happy that the Information & Public Relations Department, Orissa are bringing out the “Orissa Reference Annual-2005”. The book will speak for itself as regards its usefulness.

I wish the publication all success. Further editions of this book should be brought out every two years.

(A.K. TRIPATHY)



Shri Digambar Mohanty, I.A.S.
Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt.
Information & Public Relations Department

MESSAGE

I am delighted that the next edition of Orissa Reference Annual is being brought out. This publication basically is a collection on the art, history, culture, developments and other features of Orissa. While designing such type of publication, it was primarily targeted to arrange information in an orderly manner. But paucity of time, non-availability of crucial information in time and onerous workload on the State Information Department concerning the implementation of the Right to Information Act, 2005, might have affected systematizing the process of editing and production, despite great care and caution. However, there has been honest approach to present a good deal of useful information in one bunch, which we hope, will be of interest to the readers. We earnestly hope to receive feedbacks from all quarters relating to improvements of both the form and content of Orissa Reference Annual in its forthcoming issues.

(DIGAMBAR MOHANTY)



Shri Baishnab Prasad Mohanty,
Director
Information & Public Relations Department
Orissa, Bhubaneswar

MESSAGE

I am happy that another issue of Orissa Reference Annual is being brought out. It is essentially a data bank on the history, polity, economy, technology and development of our State. With variety of information our objective has been to cater to the growing need of the readers of a wide spectrum.

I congratulate the editorial team having presented the relevant data in a succinct form. Despite best of their efforts many aspects might have remained untouched owing to vagaries of time and other constraints. But our efforts will be rewarded, if it will be appreciated by the reference seekers.

(BAISHNAB PRASAD MOHANTY)