

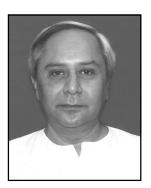
Shri Murlidhar Chandrakant Bhandare His Excellency the Governor of Orissa

I am glad to know that the Information and Public Relations Department, like previous years, is bringing out the Orissa Reference Annual for the year 2009 in the first week of November, 2009.

We are living in an age of information. Anyone having more information is always one step ahead of those having less information. This book, I am told, is a storehouse of information on Orissa and I hope, will be useful for public servants, NGOs, students and researchers.

I wish the publication all success.

(MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE)



Shri Naveen Patnaik
Hon'ble Chief Minister of Orissa

I am glad to know that **Orissa Reference Annual-2009** is being published by Information & Public Relations Department.

Orissa has now become a happening state. So information about the state assumes greater significance. People from all walks of life are keen to know more about Orissa. So, a yearly publication with comprehensive details on the state will certainly go a long way in satisfying the increasing needs of the seekers. I hope Orissa Reference Annual-2009 will be a complete source of information for readers.

I wish the publication all success.

(NAVEEN PATNAIK)



Shri Prafulla SamalMinister, Information & Public Relations and Panchayati Raj

I am delighted to learn that the Information & Public Relations Department is bringing out its annual publication entitled "Orissa Reference Annual, 2009".

The earlier publications are comprehensive and readable. I am confident that the new edition will be quite educative and informative to one and all.

I wish the endeavour all success.

(PRAFULLA SAMAL)



Shri Tarunkanti Mishra, I.A.S. Chief Secretary & Chief Development Commissioner Government of Orissa

I am happy to learn that Information and Public Relations Department is bringing out a publication titled "Orissa Reference Annual-2009".

I remember, the last edition of the publication contained a lot of useful information on Orissa which served the aspirations of a large number of research scholars, academicians and job seekers. I hope, this edition will go a step ahead in adding new facts and figures.

I wish the publication all success and hope that it will be widely read and referred.

(TARUN KANTI MISHRA)



Shri P.K. Mohapatra, I.A.S. Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt. Information & Public Relations Department

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(P.K. MOHAPATRA)



Shri Baishnab Prasad Mohanty,
Director & Joint Secretary to Govt.
Information & Public Relations Department
Orissa, Bhubaneswar

<u>MESSAGE</u>

I am happy that our Department is bringing out Orissa Reference Annual - 2009.

It contains numerous useful information about our State which will definitely cater to the need of researchers and scholars as well as the general public who want to know more about Orissa. We shall deem our efforts fulfilled if it reaches out to larger cross-section of our inquisitive people.

I appreciate the endeavour of the officers and staff involved in this project and wish the endeavour a great success.

(Baishnab Prasad Mohanty)