

# Acknowledgement

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**D**etailed statistics concerning gender is very useful for the design and implementation of appropriate policies for the advancement of women. Therefore, the Department of Economics and Statistics has taken up the responsibility for the collection and dissemination of data on gender. I am pleased to bring out this first publication on Gender Statistics which has been compiled and analyzed from the information provided by various departments and organizations. This publication focuses on eight major areas of women's status in Nagaland which includes population, health, social obstacles in women's empowerment, leadership, women participation in economic activities, labour force & employment and literacy & education. All efforts were made to incorporate the updated data and analyzed the inequality between women and men and in addition as far as possible this publication has also made comparison with the status of women at the national level.

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I hope that, this publication will be a good source for planners, policy makers, development partners, research workers, academicians and women rights activists and hope that to a large extent will help in the preparation of appropriate plans and policies for women's empowerment and equality of women and men. This being the first publication may not have covered some required areas. Therefore, any comments and suggestions for the enrichment of this publication in terms of shape and contents are welcome.

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