

PREFACE

The National Sample Survey (NSS) was set up by the Government of India in 1950 to collect socio-economic data employing scientific sampling methods. The 71st NSS round covering the period January 2014-June 2014 was surveyed on “Social Consumption: Health” and “Social Consumption: Education”. The present report is based on the survey findings of “Social Consumption: Education” in Nagaland.

The main objectives of the survey on “Social Consumption: Education” is to collect information on participation of persons aged 5-29 years in the education system, private expenditure incurred on education, examining the extent of drop-out and discontinuation from education and its causes, and IT literacy of persons aged 14 years and above. The surveys on Social Consumption relating to Education, conducted by the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO), are the primary sources of data on various indicators on education scenario of the country, like literacy rates, attendance ratios, incentives received by the students, expenditure incurred for the purpose of education, etc. These are used for planning, policy formulation, and decision support and as input for further analytical studies by various Government organizations, academicians, researchers and scholars.

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I hope this report will be useful to planners, policy makers, academicians and researchers. Suggestions for improvement in content, layout and other aspects of this report will be highly appreciated.

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