

PREFACE

Agricultural Census Organization conducted its fourth decennial Livestock Census throughout the country during 2006 fulfilling its functional responsibilities entrusted through the Agricultural Census Act (No.XLI) of 1958. Three previous Livestock Censuses were carried out in the years 1976, 1986 and 1996. The data collected is presented in three volumes.

A comprehensive scenario on livestock for the country and provinces is presented in Volume-I, while for each province and its districts in Volume-II (Four Parts). The statistics on milk production, commercial poultry and number of animals slaughtered are presented in Volume-III (Special Report).

This report consists of two sections. In the first section, salient aspects of the census have been briefly described while the data tabulations are given in the second section comprising of 26 statistical tables.

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I hope that this report will become a useful source of statistical information for research workers, planners, administrators and all other interested in the policy formulation on livestock husbandry.

In this humble effort, the services rendered for data collection by the respective provincial Livestock & Dairy Development Departments are appreciated and duly acknowledged. Without their active assistance and cooperation, the census field operation for data collection would not have been possible.

I would like to highlight the hard work and dedication of the staff and officers of Agricultural Census Organization and also of Data Processing Centres of FBS, Lahore & Islamabad for making this meticulous task a reality in a short time span.

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