PREFACE

Pakistan Social and Living Standards Measurement Survey (PSLM), 2005-06 is the second round of a series of surveys planned to be conducted up to 2009. This survey is aimed to provide detailed outcome indicators on Education, Health, Population Welfare, Water& Sanitation and Income & Expenditure. This report contains results on social indicators whereas Income & Expenditure report will be released separately. The data provided by this survey is used by the government in formulating the policies in social sector initiated under Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper (PRSP) and Medium Term Development Framework (MTDF) in the overall context of MDGs.

The field work was carried out between July 2005 to June 2006. This report provides information on the key social indicators at national, as well as at provincial levels with urban/ rural breakdown in comparison with the information of the last two rounds of PIHS and PSLM in order to assess the trends of the key indicators.

The report contains five chapters. These are: Introduction, Education, Health, Population Welfare and Water Supply & Sanitation. The report is also available on website of FBS.

Comments and suggestions for improving future issues of this report will be most welcome.

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