

## **FOREWORD**

The Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan 2010-11 is the 44<sup>th</sup> volume of its series. After the devolution of Ministry of Food and Agriculture (MinFA) the function pertaining to agricultural statistics has been transferred to Pakistan Bureau of Statistics. The publication provides all sort of data relating to agricultural sector of the country upto June, 2011 which includes area, production and yield of crops. The data for the earlier period commencing from 1993-94 through 2010-11 has been provided for time series analysis. The publication contains province-wise, crop-wise and other agricultural statistical data and reasons for increase / decrease in the production of major crops.

I wish to commend the DG, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics and team of the Economic Wing for preparing this important document which will serve as a source of invaluable reference for all stakeholders including the ministries, government departments, economic policy planners, students, researchers and agronomists. The information contained in this book can be used for formulation of growth models, plans and strategies for the development of agriculture sector with the ultimate objective of accelerating the pace of economic development of the country.

For the Agricultural Statistics of Pakistan to serve the stakeholders well, it must be regularly updated. If issues like climate change are creating completely new challenges for international trade, including trade in agriculture, if food security is now a central pre-occupation in international agricultural trade, if the link between trade and investment is an essential one, then the PBS's publication must start responding to these questions.

Suggestions to further broaden the scope of the publication and improve its quality will be highly appreciated.

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