Information Resources for Economic and Social Development in India

Dr. P K Jain, Institute of Economic Growth Delhi, India

Transforming International Science and Technology Librarianship
SLA 2015 Annual Conference
Tuesday, June 16, 2015
• Information resources, in India have always been an integral part of development information system in one form or the other.

• Before independence, information resources were confined to data related to law and order, revenue and trade.

• The status of social sciences in India today is relatively well established given the presence of large number of research institutions and individual researchers and several large and well-stocked libraries in the country
The Role of Government Information Sources in Economic Development

- The censuses of Calcutta were undertaken in the year 1822 and 1847
- A decennial census for the whole country started in 1881
- Agricultural Statistics of British India in 1886
- Ministry of Finance was set up in 1945
- Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) began in 1951
Indian Government Agencies for Information Sources

- The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOSPI)
- Central Statistical Organisation (CSO)
- National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO)
- Registrar General of India (RGI)
- Reserve Bank of India
- Ministry of Agriculture, Directorate of Economics and Statistics (DES)
- Ministry of Commerce, Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics
- Planning Commission
- Ministry of Labour and Employment
- Labour Bureau
- Ministry of Finance
- Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education
Development of Government Information Sources in India

- *Census of India* was first conducted in 1872
- *Indian Statistical Abstract* was first published in 1921
- *Report of Currency and Finance* was published in 1935
- The *Economic Survey, India* started in 1957
- *National Accounts Statistics* in 1955
- *Indian Public Finance Statistics* and the *Statistical Outline of India* in 1961
Agricultural Wages in India
Annual Survey of Industries
Budget Papers
Census of India
Economic Surveys
Human Development Report
Indian Agricultural Statistics
Indian Livestock Census
National Accounts Statistics
National Sample Survey Report
Public Enterprises Surveys
Reports on Currency and Finance
Reports on Trend and Progress of Banking in India
Sample Registration System
Statistical Abstracts of India and States
Statistical Handbooks
Statistical Yearbooks
Demography Source i.e. Census of India

- Provisional Population Totals
- Final Population Totals
- Rural Urban Distribution
- Workers and Non Workers
- General Economic Tables
- Social and Cultural Tables
- Migration Tables
- Fertility Tables
- Tables on Houses and Disabled Population
  - Household Tables
  - Special Tables on SCs and STs
- District Census Handbook
- Vital/Sample registration Data
- Vital Statistics of India
- Sample Registration Bulletin

Paper presented at IFLA 2013 on 22 August 2013
Annual Survey of Industries

- Summary results for Factory Sector
- Summary results for Census Sector
- Census Sector (10 volumes)
- Factory Sector (15 volumes)
- Summary results for Factory Sector by State Industry
- Report of the second All India Census of Small Scale Industries Units
- Report of Economic Census
- Annual Report of DGTD
- Handbook of Industrial Data (DGTD)
- Handbook of Industrial Statistics
NSSO Surveys

- Sarvekshana
- NSSO Reports

Statistical Users’ Guides (CSO)

- Guide to Official Statistics
- National Accounts Statistics
- Directory of Statistics
- Statistical System in India
Important Indian Information Resources

- Statistical Abstract, India
- Economic Survey, India
- Budget, India

National Income Data

- National Accounts Statistics
- Estimate of State Domestic Product Sources and Methods
Statistical Data Compiled & Published by Other Agencies

- CMIE
- India Database
- CII Handbook
- Capital Market
- Statistical Handbook, TCS India
- IndiaStat
The Central Statistics Office is responsible for coordination of statistical activities in the country, and evolving and maintaining statistical standards. Its activities include National Income Accounting; conduct of Annual Survey of Industries, Economic Censuses and its follow up surveys, compilation of Index of Industrial Production, as well as Consumer Price Indices for Urban Non-Manual Employees, Human Development Statistics, Gender Statistics, imparting training in Official Statistics, Five Year Plan work relating to Development of Statistics in the States and Union Territories; dissemination of statistical information, work relating to trade, energy, construction, and environment statistics, revision of National Industrial Classification, etc. It has a well-equipped Graphical Unit. The CSO is headed by the Director-General who is assisted by 2 Additional Director-Generals and 4 Deputy Director-Generals, Directors & Joint Directors and other supporting staff.
Census of India

REGISTRAR GENERAL & CENSUS COMMISSIONER, INDIA
Welcomes you to the
CENSUS OF INDIA

Office of the Registrar General, India
2A, Mansingh Road, New Delhi-110 011, India

Site Optimised for Netscape, Mozilla, Firefox
Hosting, Design & Development by Netshooter
RBI Staff Studies: "Trends in Select Micro and Small Scale Production Items during Phases of Industrial Slowdown"
- Roll Nos. of candidates shortlisted for the interview for the posts of Assistant Manager (Rajbhasha) in Grade A – Panel Year 2009
- Securitisation Transactions by NBFCs - Draft Guidelines on Minimum Holding Period and Minimum Retention Requirement
- Advertisement for the post of part-time Professional Counsellor
- RBI releases DRG Study on “The Divisia Monetary Indices as Leading Indicators of Inflation”

RBI Reference Rate

United States - 1 Dollar

RBI cautions Public against Fictitious Offers of Remitting Cheap Funds from Abroad
Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE)

We aim to understand the dynamics of the economy and use this knowledge to help our clients take informed decisions.

- PFCE will power GDP growth in 2010-11
- Outstanding investments in India notch up Rs 100 lakh crore milestone
- Growth momentum to continue
- Corporate India back on growth track
- Real GDP will advance to pre-crisis levels in 2010-11
- Real GDP estimate revised upwards for second consecutive month
- Real GDP will grow by 6% in 2009-10
- 2 tough quarters ahead before economy recovers in March 2010 quarter
- Real GDP growth estimated at 4.7 per cent in June 2009 quarter
- Poor progress of monsoon to affect growth
- Monsoon forecast implies risk to agriculture and hydel power
- GDP to grow by 6.6% in 2009-10
- Corporate India to witness a recovery in 2009-10: CMIE
- CMIE expects GDP to grow by 7% in 2009-10

Information Products & Solutions

- www.business.beacon.com
- Macro Economy
  - Economic Intelligence Service
  - Business Beacon
  - International Economic Statistics
- Sectoral Services
  - Industry Analysis Service
  - Indian Harvest
  - India Trades
- Firm-Level Data Services
  - Prowess
  - CapEx
  - Alpha
- State Analysis Service
  - Andhra Pradesh
  - Rajasthan
  - Gujarat
  - Tamil Nadu
  - Karnataka
  - Uttarakhand
Trickle through
Dec 19th 2009
From The Economist print edition

An ambitious overhaul of India’s confusing hotch-potch of indirect taxes could give business a boost ... more

COUNTRY PROFILE
With the Economist Intelligence Unit

Country profiles are no longer available in Country Briefings. Click here to find out more about the Economist Intelligence Unit’s country analysis and forecasting service.

BANGLADESH makes friends with India
Aligning history and geography with politics and economics Dec 17th 2009

India and climate-change negotiations
What India has to offer in Copenhagen Dec 3rd 2009

India’s recovering economy
Despite a bad monsoon, India’s economy is motoring Dec 3rd 2009

SPECIAL REPORT
Technology in China and India

RELATED ITEMS
FTU Store India
Websites
A directory of official government websites
Hindustan Times
The Times of India
National Stock Exchange
Languages and scripts of India
The Securities and Exchange Board of India
The Reserve Bank of India
Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy

The Economist
Now available in audio

Entire edition, read word for word
Free for subscribers or US$8.00

Download now
Conclusion

- Government information sources and related publications are essential sources of information for economic development.
- There are numerous government information sources published in India, and many are official publications from central government departments and the states.
- Agencies like CSO, NSSO, RGI and many other regularly publish survey results, statistical returns and administrative records in various serials in print as well as electronic form.
- Although government agency websites are attracting researchers and social scientists to unit level data in electronic form, much more needs to be done to disseminate official statistical data to further its use.
Conclusion

- There is a strong need to bring out guidebooks like the statistical compilations at regular intervals to familiarize data users with current resources.
- Developing a network system through inter-library collaboration is viewed as the need of the hour.
- The quality, objectivity, utility and value of government information sources should be improved.
- The relevance, timeliness, scope, coverage, and presentation of government data and information need to be more seriously monitored in the rapidly evolving realm of government information.

Cont…….
Thanks
pkjain1310@gmail.com