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P R E F A C E

Our Ancient India from times immemorial was principally an agrarian civilization and the rudimentary unit was the self-governing system. The rural community were administered by their nominated Panchayats. Panchayat Raj System (PRI) in India throughout the era of Mahabharat included PauraSabhas and Janapadas who on condition imparted to put crisscross on the capricious authority. Concurrently with the monarchical form of régime in India, the Panchayat system triumphed. From corner to corner of the nation, the sovereign States have not specified acceptable responsiveness to monetary authorization of the local bodies. Panchayats' identifiable possessions are scanty. Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu are the statuses which are well-thought-out to be advanced in PRI enablement but even there, the Panchayats are rigorously reliant on Central administration endowments. In the Native Indian milieu, the notion and rehearsal of resident management tax system have not proceeded much since the initial existences of the British rule.

Furthermost of the proceeds accumulation originates from taxation of possessions and occupation with negligible increment approaching from non-tax earnings like lease from property and charges for services. It is high enchantment that a nationwide agreement begins on lengthening and expanding the profits base of local régimes. A wide-ranging exercise prerequisite to be engaged up in this sector on a main concern basis. This book is a practical oriented

monologue that encompasses both theoretical and practical experiences of Panchayat Raj Finances in selected villages of Karnataka.

The main objective of writing this book vests upon to highpoint the imperative role of the panchayats in the Indian social order for grounding of strategies for financial expansion and societal righteousness and also for application in relation to twenty-nine subjects registered in the eleventh agenda of the constitution. The book contains 6 chapters. Each chapter originates itself in describing the characteristics of panchayat revenue and expenditure patterns with ground realities of comprehensive data sets with meticulous practical tabular and graphical illustrations along with documentation of real-life case studies. The book is highly valuable for Rural Development practioners at DRDA level, Academicians, Post Graduate and Ph.D. students to improve their learning curves in an effective manner in the subject area of Rural Economics. I express my sincere and deep sense of gratitude to my PUNDIT Late Dr. VBNS Madduri MSc, Ph.D (Canada) who has been a perpetual source of stimulus and guiding soul.

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