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Invitation of comments on the Report of the Expert Committee to evolve standards for Statistical Disclosure Control

The act of disclosing information collected by statistical agencies from various respondents' may have the risk of divulging the identification of the respondents along with the information provided. Therefore, to safeguard the confidentiality of the information furnished by a responding unit while disseminating data, Statistical Disclosure Control (SDC) is needed. Apart from protecting confidentiality of the respondents, the SDC mechanism is also expected to provide guidance to the users of the data about reliability of the estimates while also maximizing the availability of survey data. Considering the importance of SDC, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation constituted an Expert Committee to evolve standards for Statistical Disclosure Control for sample surveys conducted by NSSO. The Committee has submitted a report containing six chapters which provide overview of different aspects of SDC, analysis of results and make specific recommendations pertaining to SDC.

2. The **Report of the Expert Committee** is being placed in the public domain on the website of this Ministry. Comments of the stakeholders/ general public are invited on the aforesaid report. The comments may be sent at e-mail id sachin.k@nic.in latest by **01st May, 2017**.