PREFACE

Paving the way towards adopting the internationally accepted best practices in the compilation and dissemination of statistics and data comparability with the external world, harmony of understanding the concepts and definitions amongst the data providers, compilers and end users is of vital importance.

International Organizations along with national agencies are working towards the achievement of the goal of convergence on a single set of high-quality standards around the world. For compilation of monetary and financial statistics "Monetary and Financial Statistics Manual (MFSM 2000)" of IMF is the base document to be followed across the countries. The MFSM is harmonized with the System of National Accounts 1993 (SNA93) of the United Nations like other Manuals of IMF for the compilation of various statistics.

Statistics Department is striving hard in adopting standard best practices of data collection, compilation & dissemination. This would lead not only to fulfil the State Bank of Pakistan's

need to have a sound base of timely, reliable and exhaustive set of data of the financial sector for one of its core function of preparing and implementing the monetary policy but also would meet the requirements of the international community and the researchers.

This guide, the "Reporting Guide for SBP" is aimed at facilitating the concerned official for accurate and efficient reporting. The guide has also been made available at the link http://www.sbp.org.pk/departments/stats/RGSBP.pdf

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