FOREWORD

A district gazetteer is a miniature encyclopaedia of the historical, geographical, social, economic and cultural features of a district. The present volume brings up-to-date the important facets of the development activities in Mahendragarh District to serve as a useful reference book.

During Mughal rule, Narnaul was a flourishing town. Nawab Shah Quli Khan, a Governor of Akbar, erected many splendid buildings at Narnaul, got dug many large tanks, laid out many beautiful gardens and built a fine mausoleum for himself. A descriptive account of important buildings constructed in the Pathan style at Narnaul during Mughal period has been given in the chapter on 'Places of Interest. The other chapters in this compendium have been so devised as to make the gazetteer useful to those engaged in administration, welfare programmes and research work. The work, it is hoped, will also be of immense interest to the general reader.

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