

## **Pooling of the Central and State Sample Survey Data**

The main objective of Pooling of Central and State Sample Data is to provide a mechanism by which sample size would be increased and the pooling of the two sets of data can be done so as to enable better estimates at lower sub state level, particularly at district level.

2. Under the aegis of NSSO (GoI) a training workshop on Pooling of Central and State Sample data was organized by the DES Punjab for northern States at Chandigarh on 26-27 August, 2014 for NSS 66th round. The DES Punjab has already initiated the exercise regarding pooling of state sample data for 66th round for schedule 1.0: Household Consumer Expenditure and schedule 10: Employment and Unemployment. It is worth mentioning that the pooling process in respect of schedule 1.0: Household Consumer Expenditure has successfully completed whereas the process for schedule 10: Employment and Unemployment is under progress. Although the DES Punjab is being faced some difficulties while doing this exercise for first time but all out efforts will be made to complete the pooling process for 66th round by the end of December, 2014.