## Preface

The inspiration for this study came from the spectacular success of the Delhi Metro in tackling the doomed traffic situation in the capital, and the whiff of a new and revolutionary commuter culture ushered into the national capital by the Delhi Metro Project.

The study was undertaken to trace the need, background, evolution of the Delhi Metro and to assess some of the social benefits generated by the Delhi Metro. An assessment of the economic viability of the Delhi Metro Rail Project was also attempted in the study.

The findings of this study are based on the secondary data accessed in a short span of about 3 months. This in no way is an exhaustive study of the Delhi Metro, its systems or the aspects assessed. The assessments made are based on the limited data that was available, and is in no way an attempt to pronounce any final judgement on the aspects studied.

There may be weaknesses in areas of the present study and a detailed and exhaustive study of the areas covered in the present study may provide greater insights into the working and of the Delhi Metro and its many aspects.

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