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### PREFACE

This issue of the Journal contains the papers and proceedings of the 24th Annual Conference of the Society held at Vallabh Vidyanagar (near Anand), in Gujarat during 26th to 28th December, 1964. Shri Asoka Mehta, Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission, Government of India, presided over the Conference and Shri Balvantrai Mehta, Chief Minister of Gujarat State inaugurated it. Besides about 150 members of the Society, over 100 delegates from the various Universities, Central and State Governments, Reserve Bank of India, State Bank of India and other banking institutions, research institutions and other organisations attended the Conference. The subjects discussed at the Conference were:

- 1. Structure of Relative Prices of Farm Products in relation to Their Production and Supply.
- 2. Economics of Livestock Enterprise (including Dairy) with particular reference to the Scale of the Enterprise.
- 3. Investment on Farm and Capital Formation in Agriculture.

As an unusually large number of papers was received and discussed on the three subjects, it has not been possible to include all of them mainly because of the prohibitive cost of printing them in this volume. The important points contained in all the papers have, however, found place in the reports of the Rapporteurs. There was a lively participation in group discussions on each subject. The Rapporteurs' final reports and the Summary of Group Discussions are printed in this issue.

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