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#### ABBREVIATIONS/ ACRONYMS

B.S. : Bikram Sambat

CBS : Central Bureau of Statistics

CWSS : Community Water Supply and Sanitation

DDC : District Development Committee

DWS : Drinking Water Supply

DWSS : Department of Water Supply and Sewerage

FGD : Focus Group Discussion HMG : His Majesty's Government

HHs : Households

HPI : Human Poverty Index

UDWSSD : International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade

UNDP : United Nation Development Programme

UNICEF : United Nation Children Fund

ICIMOD : International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development

KKE : Key Informants Interview

MDGs : Millennium Development Goals.

MHPP : Ministry of Housing and Physical Planning

NEWAH : Nepal Water for Health

NHDR : Nepal Human Development Report NPC : National Planning Commission

NRCS : Nepal Red Cross Society
O&M : Operation and Maintenance

RWSSFDB : Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Fund Development Board

RWSSSP : Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Support Program

SRLF : Sanitation Revolving Loan Fund

T.U. : Tribhuvan University

UNCED : United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (held in Rio

de Janeiro, Brazil)

VDC : Village Development Committee

VHP : Village Health Promoter
 VMW : Village Maintenance Worker
 WATSAN : Water Supply and Sanitation
 WSS : Water Supply and Sanitation

WPDWSS : Women's Participation in Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation

WPHS : Women's Participation in Health and SanitationWSSD : World Summit on Sustainable Development

WTP : Willingness to Pay

WTSS : Women Technical Support Service

WUC : Water Users' Committee