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## LIST OF ACRONYMS / ABBREVIATIONS

ALR	- Adult Literacy Rate
APP	- Agricultural Perspective Plan
CBS	- Central Bureau of Statistics
DRD	- Declaration on the Right to Development
EAP	- Economically Active Population
EINDEX	- Education Index
EFA	- Education for All
FDI	- Foreign Direct Investment
FLE	- Female Life Expectancy
GAD	- Gender and Development
GDPs	- Gross Domestic Products
GDPI	- Gross Domestic Product Index
GER	- Gross Enrollment Ratio
GIA	- Grants-in-Aid
GNP	- Gross National Product
HDI	- Human Development Index
HDRs	- Human Development Reports
HRD	- Human Resource Development
HMGN	- His Majesty's Government of Nepal
HNP	- Health, Nutrition and Population
HSEB	- Higher Secondary Board
ILO	- International Labor Organization
IMF	- International Monetary Fund
INGOs	- International Non-governmental Organizations
LSGA	- Local Self-governance Act

LEINDEX	- Life Expectancy Index
MDGs	- Millennium Development Goals
MOPE	- Ministry of Population and Environment
MOE	- Ministry of Education
MOES	- Ministry of Education and Sports
MOH	- Ministry of Health
MTEF	- Medium-Term Expenditure Framework
NGOs	- Non-governmental Organizations
NLSS	- Nepal Living Standards Survey
NER	- Net Enrollment Ratio
NPC	- National Planning Commission
PAF	- Poverty Alleviation Fund
PPP	- Purchasing Power Parity
PRSPs	- Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers
RHD	- Reading in Human Development
SAARC	- South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
SAPs	- Structural Adjustment Policies
TU	- Tribhuvan University
UN	- United Nations
UNDP	- United Nations Development Program
UNESCO	- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
VDC	Village Development Committee
WB	- World Bank
WHO	- World Health Organization