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## **ABBREVIATIONS/ CRONYMS**

BT : Business Tax

GNP Gross National Product

IMF International Monetary Fund

IRD Inland Revenue Department

LT : Local Tax

MBS : Master of Business Studies

MODVAT : Modified Value Added Tax

MoF Ministry of Finance

NCC Nepal Chamber of Commerce

No. Number

NRB Nepal Rastra Bank

Rs. : Rupees

SAARC South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation

TR Total Revenue

TU : Tribhuvan University

USAID United States Aid for International Development

VAT Value Added Tax