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### **ABBREVIATIONS**

BPEP	Basic and Primary Education Project
DDC	District Development Committee
DoE	Department of Education
EJG	Education Journalists Group
EJT	Educational Journalists Team
HRW	Human Rights Watch
IDSN	International Dalit Solidarity Network
IIDS	Institute of Integrated Development Studies
KI	Key Informants Interview
FGD	Focused Group Discussion
MoES	Ministry of Education and Sports
MoHP	Ministry of Health and Population
NGOs	Nepal Government Organization
NLSS	Nepal Living Standards Survey
UN	United Nations
UNDP	United Nation Development Program
UNICEF	United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund
VDCs	Village Development Committee