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ABBREVIATIONS/ACRONYMS

BHMC	:	Bhakunde Homestay Management Committee
CBS	:	Central Bureau of Statistic
DDC	:	District Development Committees
GDP	:	Gross Domestic Product
HMC	:	Home stay Management Community
HMG	:	Hotel Management Group
ITA	:	International Travel Association
IUOTO	:	International Union and Official Travel Organization
MCTCA	:	Ministry of Culture Tourism and Civil Aviation
NGOs	:	Non-Government Organizations
NTB	:	Nepal Tourism Board
SAARC	:	South Asia Association for Regional Co-operation
VDC	:	Village Development Committee
WDR	:	Western Development Region
WTO	:	World Tourism Organization