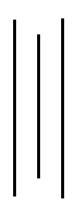
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ABBREVIATIONS

ADB : Asian Development Bank

BOD : Board of Directors

BVS : Book Value of Share

CDS : Central Depository System

CRO : Company Registrar's Office

EPS : Earning Per Share

F/Y : Fiscal Year

GDP : Gross Domestic Product

ICAN : Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nepal

IPO : Initial Public Offering

NEPSE: Nepal Stock Exchange

NG : Nepal Government

NHA: Null Hypothesis Accepted

NRB : Nepal Rastra Bank

OTC : Over–the Counter Market

P/E : Price Earning Ratio

SEA : Securities Exchange Act

SEBO/N: Security Board of Nepal

SEC : Securities Exchange Center

T+5 : Settlement of Transactions Five Working Days after the Date of Trading

TU : Tribhuvan University