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#### ABBREVIATIONS/ACRONYMS

NRB = Nepal Rastra Bank

US = The United States

SMFE = Small and Medium Forest Enterprises

NGO = Non-Governmental Organizations

SME = Small and Medium Enterprises

MSFP = Medium Size Forest Product

NTFP = Nepal Timber Forest Products

ANSAB = Asia Network for Sustainable Agriculture and Bio

Resources

CFUG = Community Forest Users Group

CBFP = Community Based Forest Enterprises

NIDC = Nepal Industrial Corporation

RBS = Nepal Bema Sansthan

EPS = Employ Provident Fund

INGO = International Non- Government Organizations

USAID = The United States Agency for International Development

UNDP = The United Nations Development Programm

GTZ = German Agency for Technical Cooperation

ILO = International Labour Organization

RCFG = Rank Community Forest user Group

MSFP = Multi Stakeholder Forestry Program

RRN = Rural Reconstruction Nepal

SSFE = Small-scale Forest Enterprises

MAP = Medicinal and Aromatic Plants

NTFP = Non Timber Forest Products

FUG = Forest User Group

MPFS = Master Plane of Forest Sector

CITES = The Convention on International Trade in Endangered

Species of wild Fauna and Flora

CIRES = Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental

Sciences

IPPC = Integrated Plant Protection Centre

LSGA = Local Self Governance Act

DFO = District Forest Organization

CBS = Central Bureau of Statistics

MOF = Ministry of Finance

CF = Community Forestry

CBF = Community Based Forestry

FBSSE = Forestry Based Small Size Enterprises

DCSI = Department of Cottage and Small-scale Industry

FECOFUN = Federation of Community Forest Users, Nepal

RCC = Road, Concrete and Cement

LFP = Labout Force Participation

LCFU = Lamatar Community Forest Users

SSFE = Small Size Forest Enterprises

CBF = Community Based Forest