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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONIMS

BNA	-	Beautiful Nepal Association
BS	-	Bikram Sambat
СВО	-	Community Based Organization
CBS .	-	Central Bureau of Statistics
DADO	-	District Agriculture Development Office
DDC	-	District Development Committee
DFO	-	District Forest Office
DIO	-	District Irrigation Office
DVO	-	District Veterinary Office
GO	-	Government Office
НН	-	Household
HSS	-	Household Survey Schedule
INGO	-	International Non-Government Organization
KBIRD -	Karnali	Bheri Integrated Rural Development
KIS	-	Key Informants Survey
Km.	-	Kilometer
Μ	-	Meter
NGO	-	Non-Government Organization
SAC	-	Social Awareness Center
SCDP	-	Sustainable Community Development Programme

UNDP	-	United Nations Development Programme
VDC	-	Village Development Committee
WDO	-	Women Development Office
WDTC	-	Women Development Training Center