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# ABBREVIATIONS

ADB/N	-	Agricultural Development Bank Nepal
CBB	-	Chhimek Bikas Bank
CECI	-	Canadian Centre for International Studies and
		Cooperation
CGAP	-	Consultative Groups to Assist the Poor.
CMF	-	Center for Microfinance
FINGO	-	Financial Intermediary Non- Government
		Organization Model
GBB	-	Grameen Bikas Bank
GDI	-	Gender Development Index
GEM	-	Gender Empowerment Measure
HDR	-	Human Development Index
IBP	-	Intensive Banking Program
LDCs	-	Least Developed Countries
MCPW	-	Micro Credit Program for Women
MDB	-	Microfinance Development Bank
MDG	-	Millennium Development Goal
MFP	-	Microfinance Programme
MFIs	-	Microfinance Institutions
NGO	-	Non-Governmental Organization
NUBL	-	Nirdhan Utthan Bank Limited
PCRW	-	Production Credit for Rural Women
RMDC	-	Rural Microfinance Development Center
RSRF	-	Rural Self Reliance Fund
SACCOS	-	Savings and Co-operatives Model
SBB	-	Swabalamban Bikas Bank
SFCL	-	Small Farmer Cooperative Limited
SFDB	-	Small Farmer Development Project
VDC	-	Village Development Committee
WB	-	World Bank
WDR	-	World Development Report