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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

| AIDS | Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome |
|-------|--|
| CBS | .Central Bureau of Statistics |
| СМА | Critical Medical Anthropology |
| DOTS | Directly Observed Treatment Sort-course |
| DPHO | District Public Health Officer |
| FCHV | Female community Health Volunteers |
| FY | Fiscal Year |
| HERD | Health Research and Social Development Forum |
| HMG | His Majesty's Government |
| НР | Health Post |
| INGO | International Non Governmental Organization |
| КАР | Knowledge Attitude and practice |
| KII | Key Informant Interview |
| MDR | Multi Drug Resistant |
| NGO | Non Governmental Organization |
| NHRC | Nepal Health Research Council |
| NTC | National Tuberculosis Center |
| РНС | Primary Health Care |
| RAD | Return After Default |
| SAARC | South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation |
| SHP | Sub Health Post |
| ТВ | Tuberculosis |
| UN | United Nations |
| VDC | Village Development Committee |
| WHO | World Health Organization |