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ABRBREVIATIONS

CA	Constituent Assembly	
CBS	Central Bureau of Statistics	
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women	
GEM	Gender Empowerment Measure	
INGO	International Non Government Organization	
SOH	Shangri-La Orphanage Home	
TU	Tribhuvan University	
UN	United Nations	
UNDP United Nations development Programme		
UNIFEM	United Nations Development Fund for Women	