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## ACRONYM

<b>PAs:</b>	Protected Areas
<b>BZ:</b>	Buffer Zone
<b>BZDC:</b>	Buffer Zone Development Committee
<b>CNP:</b>	Chitwan National Park
<b>DNPWC:</b>	Department of National Park and Wildlife Conservation
<b>INGOs:</b>	International Non Governmental Organization
<b>MOFSC:</b>	Ministry of Forest and Soil Conservation
<b>NGOs:</b>	Non Governmental Organization
<b>TCN:</b>	Timber Cooperation Nepal
<b>UNDP:</b>	United Nation Development Committee
<b>UNESCO:</b>	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
<b>VDC:</b>	Village Development Committee
<b>WWF:</b>	World Wildlife Fund