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List of Abbreviations

AVUL: Arun Vanaspati Udyog Limited

BONL: Bottlers Nepal Limited

BNTL: Bottlers Nepal (Terai) Limited

DTCR: Debt to Total Capital Ratio

EBIT: Earning Before Interest and Tax

FA: Fixed Assets

FIAS/NP: Foreign Investment Advisory Service, Nepal

FY: Fiscal Year

GR: Growth Rate

GRUL: Gorakhkali Rubber Udhyog Limited

IBD: Interest Bearing Debt

IRD: Inland Revenue Department, Nepal

KHUL: Khadhya Udhyog Limited

MOF: Ministry of Finance

MOL: Ministry of Law and Justice

NBBL: Nepal Bitumen and Barrel Limited

NBGL: Nepal Banaspati Ghee Limited

NELL: Nepal Lever Limited

NEPSE: Stock Exchange Limited, Nepal

NLOL: Nepal Lube Oil Limited

SCLL: Sayapatri Color Lab Limited

SEBO/N: Securities Board, Nepal

TC: Total Capital