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ACRONYMS

CBS = Central Bureau of Statistics

CDCS = Community Development Committees

CF = Community Forestry

CPF = Common Property Forestry

EC = Executive Committee

CFUGs = Community Forest User Groups

DDC = District Development Committee

DFO = District Forest Office

FUG = Forest User Group

GON = Government of Nepal

HA = Hector

HHs = Households

IOF = Institute of Forest

IGAs = Income Generating Activities

INGOs = International Non-Government Organizations

LFP = Livelihoods and Forestry Program

LF = Leasehold Forest

MPFS = Master Plan for Forestry Sector

NGOs = Non-Government Organizations

NFP = National Forestry Plan

NPC = National Planning Commission

NTFP = Non-Timber Forest Product

NUKCFP = Nepal-UK Community Forestry Project

OP = Operational Plan

SCFUG = Santi Community Forest User Group

SANDEE = South Asian Network For Development and Environment

Economics

UNDP = United Nations Development Programme

UMN = United Mission of Nepal

VDC = Village Development Committee