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ACRONYMS

CBS Central Bureau of Statistics

CDP Community Development Program

CEDA Center for Economic Development and Administration

CDRD Central Department of Rural Development

DPA Direct Productive Activities

DOR Department of Roads

EIA Environmental Impact Assessment

FGD Focused Group Discussion

FUG Forest User's Group

GDP Gross Domestic Product

HHs Households

HMG/N His Majesty's Government of Nepal

Kg Kilogram km. Kilometer

MoF Ministry of Finance

NPC National Planning Commission

NGO Non- Governmental Organization

RTO Road Transport Organization

SLC School Leaving Certificate

TV Television

VDC Village Development Committee

WB World Bank