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ABBREVIATION

BSCFUG	Bandevi Shanti Community Forest User Group
CBS	Central Bureau of Statistics
CF	Community Forest
CFDP	Community Forest Development Project
CFM	Community Forest Management
CFUG	Community Forest User Group
DOF	Department of Forest
EC	Executive Committee
ECM	Executive Committee Meeting
FUG	Forest user group
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization
GA	General Assembly
GAM	General Assembly Meeting
HMGN	His Majesty Government of Nepal
MPFS	Master Plan for the Forestry Sector
INGO	International Non Government Organization
NGO	Non Government Organization
PPF	Panchyat Protected Forest
Rs.	Rupees
UGC	User Group Committee
VDC	Village Development Committee