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# **ABBREVIATIONS**

CBR	: Crude Birth Rate
CBS	: Central Bureau of Statistics
CDPS	: Central Department of Population Studies
CDR	: Crude Death Rate
CEB	: Children Ever Born
CMR	: Child Mortality Rate
CPR	: Contraceptive Prevalence Rate
FP	: Family Planning
HMG	: His Majesty's Government
ICPD	: International Conference on Population and Development
IEC	: Information, Education and Communication
IMR	: Infant Mortality Rate
INGO	: International Non-Government Organization
IUD	: Intra-Uterine Devices
MOPE	: Ministry of Population and Environment
NDHS	: Nepal Demographic and Health Survey
NFHS	: Nepal Family Planning and Health Survey
NGO	: Non-Government Organization
NLSS	: Nepal living Standard Survey
PGR	: Population Growth Rate
PRB	: Population Reference Bureau
SMAM	: Singulate Mean Age at Marriage
TFR	: Total Fertility Rate
TU	: Tribhuvan University
UN	: United Nations
UNFPA	: United Nations Fund for Population Activities
USA	: United States of America
VDC	: Village Development Committee