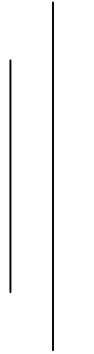
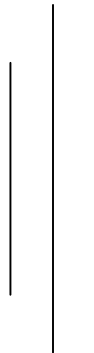


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LIST OF ACRONYMS

AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
CBS	Central Bureau of Statistics
CDPS	Central Department of Population Studies
CWS	Commercial Sex Workers
DHS	Demographic Health Survey
HDI	Human Development Index
HIV	Human Immune-Deficiency Virus
HMG	His Majesty the Government of Nepal (Nepal Government)
INGO	International Non-Governmental Organization
IUD	Injecting Drug User
KAB	Knowledge, Attitude and Behaviour
KAP	Knowledge, Attitude and Practice
NAPCP	National AIDS Prevention and Control Programme
NCASC	National Centre for AIDS and STDs Control
NGO	Non – Governmental Organization
PAN	Population Association of Nepal
PSSN	Population Students Society of Nepal
SLC	School Living Certificate
STD	Sexually Transmitted Diseases
STI	Sexually Transmitted Infection
TU	Tribhuvan University
TV	Television
UN	United Nations
UNFPA	United Nation Population Fund
UK	United Kingdom

USA	United state of America
UNAIDS	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
WHO	World Health Organization