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ABBREVIATION

VDC	Village Development Committee
CBS	Central Bureau of Statistics
NTFPs	Non-timber forest product
WHO	World Health Organization
UNFCCC	United Nation Framework Convection for Climate Change
GLFO	Glacial Outburst Flood
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
TAR	Third Assessment Report
AR4	Fourth Assessment Report
SOHAM	Society of Hydrologist and Meteorologist
UNEP	United Nation Environment Program
MOPE	Ministry of Population and Environment
NARC	National Agricultural Research Centre
PAN	Practical Action Nepal
DHM	Department Of Hydrology and Meteorology
NGO	Non –Governmental Organization
UNDP	United Nations Development Program