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<b>AD</b>	Anti-Dumping
<b>ADB</b>	Asian Development Bank
<b>ADBN</b>	Agricultural Development Bank, Nepal
<b>AEC</b>	Agro Enterprise Centre of the FNCCI
<b>AIC</b>	Agriculture Input Corporation
<b>AMS</b>	Aggregate Measurement of Support
<b>AoA</b>	Agreement on Agriculture
<b>APEDA</b>	Agriculture and Processed Foods Export Development Authority, (of) India
<b>APP</b>	Agriculture Perspective Plan
<b>ASPR</b>	Agriculture Sector Performance Review
<b>CBD</b>	Convention on Biological Diversity
<b>CBS</b>	Central Bureau of Statistics
<b>CCFAC</b>	Codex Committee on Food Additives and Contaminants
<b>CoFaB</b>	Convention of Farmers and Breeders
<b>CSO</b>	Civil Society Organization
<b>CV</b>	Countervailing
<b>DDC</b>	District Development Committee
<b>DLS</b>	Department of Livestock Services
<b>DOA</b>	Department of Agriculture
<b>DOI</b>	Department of Industries
<b>EMS</b>	Equivalent Measurement of Support
<b>EDV</b>	Essential Derived Varieties
<b>FAC</b>	Food Aid Convention
<b>FAO</b>	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
<b>FDA</b>	Food and Drug Administration of the United States of America
<b>FDI</b>	Foreign Direct Investment
<b>FNCCI</b>	Federation of Nepalese Chambers of Commerce and Industry
<b>FITTA</b>	Foreign Investment and Technology Transfer Act
<b>FTA</b>	Free Trade Area
<b>GAP</b>	Good Agricultural Practices
<b>GATT</b>	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
<b>GDP</b>	Gross Domestic Product
<b>GI</b>	Geographical Indication
<b>GMP</b>	Good Manufacturing Practice (GAP)
<b>GVP</b>	Good Veterinary Practice
<b>HMG</b>	His Majesty's Government of Nepal
<b>IEA</b>	Industrial Enterprise Act 1992
<b>INR</b>	Initial Negotiating Rights
<b>IPP</b>	Industrial Perspective Plan
<b>IPPC</b>	Secretariat of the International Plant Protection Convention
<b>IPR</b>	Intellectual Property Rights
<b>ITPGRFA</b>	International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

<b>IUPGR</b>	FAO International Undertaking on Plant Genetic Resources
<b>LBPQ</b>	Land Border Plant Quarantine
<b>LDC</b>	Least-developed Countries
<b>LIRP</b>	Low-income and resource-poor farmers (in the AoA)
<b>MFN</b>	Most Favoured Nation
<b>MRA</b>	Mutual Recognition Agreement
<b>MRL</b>	Maximum Residue Limits (of pesticides)
<b>MoAC</b>	Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives
<b>MoFSC</b>	Ministry of Forests and Soil Conservation
<b>MoICS</b>	Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Supplies
<b>NARC</b>	Nepal Agricultural Research Council
<b>NBSM</b>	Nepal Bureau of Standards and Metrology
<b>NEPA</b>	Nepal Egg Producers' Association
<b>NFC</b>	Nepal Food Corporation
<b>NPPO</b>	National Plant Protection Organization
<b>NPS-AMS</b>	Non Product-specific AMS
<b>NRB</b>	Nepal Rastra Bank
<b>NTCDB</b>	National Tea and Coffee Development Board
<b>NVGPA</b>	Nepal Vegetable Ghee Producers' Association
<b>OIE</b>	International Office of Epizootics
<b>PBR</b>	Plant Breeders' Rights
<b>PRA</b>	Pest Risk Analysis
<b>PSE</b>	Producer Subsidy Estimate
<b>SAARC</b>	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
<b>SAPTA</b>	SAARC Preferential Trading Arrangement
<b>SAFTA</b>	South Asian Free Trade Area
<b>SCM</b>	Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures
<b>SDT</b>	Special and Differential Treatment
<b>SEAN</b>	Seed Entrepreneurs' Association of Nepal
<b>SPS</b>	Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures
<b>SSG</b>	Special Safeguard (of the AoA)
<b>SSSC</b>	SEAN Seed Support Centre
<b>STE</b>	State Trading Enterprise
<b>STW</b>	Shallow Tubewell
<b>TBT</b>	Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade
<b>TRIM</b>	Agreement on Trade-Related Investment Measures
<b>TRIPS</b>	Trade-Related Intellectual Property Rights
<b>TRQ</b>	Tariff Rate Quota
<b>UN</b>	United Nations
<b>UNCED</b>	UN Conference on Environment and Development
<b>UPOV</b>	International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants
<b>UR</b>	Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations
<b>US</b>	United States of America
<b>VDC</b>	Village Development Committee
<b>VoAP</b>	Value of the Agricultural Production
<b>WTO</b>	World Trade Organization