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ABBREVIATIONS

AB	Axis Bank
AB	Apex Bank
APL	Above Poverty Line
BI	Bank of India
BPL	Below Poverty Line
BRGF	Backward Region Grant Fund
BBY	Bunkar Bima Yojona
CBI	Central Bank of India
CB	Canara Bank
CWDS	Centre for Women's Development Studies
DICC	District Industries Commerce Centre
DFI	District Financial Institutions
DRDA	District Rural Development Agency
EPA	Entrepreneurship Promoting Agencies
EDII	Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India

EDP	Entrepreneurship Development Programme
HDFC	Housing Development Finance Corporation
IDBI	Industrial Development Bank of India
ICICI	Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation of India
ICSSR	Indian Council of Social Science Research
ICSSR-NERC	Indian Council of Social Science Research –North Eastern Regional Council
IAY	Indira Awas Yojona
IRD P	Integrated Rural Development Programme
IQAC	Internal Quality Assurance Cell
GNP	Gross National Product
KAAC	Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council
LDRB	Langpi Dehangi Rural Bank
MGNREGA	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act
MSME-DI	Micro Small Medium Enterprise – Development Institute
NNP	Net National Product
NASP	National Social Assistance Programmes

NRLM	National Rural Livelihood Mission
NIESBUD	National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development
NABARD	National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development
NGO	Non-Governmental Organisation
OBC	Other Backward Classes
PMRY	Prime Minister Rozgar Yojona
RSVY	Rashtriya Sam Vikash Yojona
SHGs	Self Help Groups
SC	Scheduled Caste
ST	Scheduled Tribe
SIDBI	Small Industries Development Bank of India
SBI	State Bank of India
TCSOK	Technical Consultancy Services Organization of Karnataka
UGC	University Grants Commission
WASME	World Assembly of Small and Medium Entrepreneur
WE	Women Entrepreneur