

## List of abbreviations as they are often used in Nepali media

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(This annotated list is regularly updated)

AAP	Administrative Aptitude Test; the entrance test for government job seekers
ACAP	<a href="#">Annapurna Conservation Area Project</a> ; a project by the NTNC on conservation and development in the Annapurna region started in 1986 by local population
ACD	<a href="#">Asia Cooperation Dialogue</a> ; an intergovernmental body aiming to promote interdependence among Asian countries
ACORAB	<a href="#">Association of Community Radio Broadcasters</a>
ADB	<a href="#">Asian Development Bank</a> ; the leading Asian development bank
ADBL	<a href="#">Agricultural Development Bank Limited</a> ; eine nepalische Kreditbank, gegründet 1968
ADDCN	<a href="#">Association of District Development Committees of Nepal</a>
AEPC	<a href="#">Alternative Energy Promotion Centre</a> ; an institution under the Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment
AFFON	<a href="#">Association of Family Forest Owners Nepal</a>
AFU	<a href="#">Agriculture and Forestry University</a> ; established in 2010 in Rampur, Chitwan Distrikt
AHRC	<a href="#">Asian Human Rights Commission</a> ; an independent NGO based in Hongkong
AIC	<a href="#">Agriculture Inputs Company</a>
AIIB	<a href="#">Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank</a> ; an Asian investment bank established in 2015
AIN	<a href="#">Association of International NGOs in Nepal</a>
AIRC	Agreement Implementation and Recommendation Commission
AJRA	Adibasi Janajati Rastriya Andolan; an alliance of leftist and ethnic parties and organisations founded in autumn 2014. Its aim has been the prevention of renewed exclusion of Janajati and Madhesi groups in the writing process of the new constitution by the ruling parties of NC and CPN-UML. History has already proved its failure.
AMP	Aid Management Platform; a software application that is meant to file the aid funds of donor donations
APF	<a href="#">Armed Police Force</a> ; founded in 2001 as an interlink between army and police in their fight against the then Maoist insurgents
AWC	<a href="#">Accountability Watch Committee</a> ; a committee to coordinate the activities of human rights organisations and civil society
BAFI	Banks and Financial Institutions
BAFIA	Banks and Financial Institutions Act
BBIN	Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal; an intra-regional connectivity initiative
BFI	Banks and Financial Institutions
BJP	<a href="#">Bharatiya Janata Party</a> ; a Hindu oriented Indian party, currently in government
BNAC	<a href="#">Britain-Nepal Academic Council</a>
BPKF	<a href="#">B. P. Koirala India-Nepal Foundation</a> ; established in 1991; aims at promoting cultural linkages between India and Nepal by fostering art, literature, intellectual discourse and a host of multi-dimensional aspects pertaining to the

	culture and livelihood of both nations
BPKIHS	<a href="#">BP Koirala Institute of Health Sciences</a> ; one of the leading health academies of Nepal, placed in Dharan
BPKMCH	<a href="#">BP Koirala Memorial Cancer Hospital</a> , in Bharatpur
CA	<a href="#">Constituent Assembly</a>
CAAN	<a href="#">Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal</a>
CAN	<a href="#">Cricket Association of Nepal</a>
CBS	<a href="#">Central Bureau of Statistics</a> , Government of Nepal
CC	Central Committee
CCWB	<a href="#">Central Child Welfare Board</a> ; a statutory body under the Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare
CDO	Chief District Officer
CDSCL	<a href="#">Central Depository System and Clearing Ltd.</a> ; a company promoted by Nepal Stock Exchange Limited (NEPSE) in 2010 to provide centralized depository, clearing and settlement services in Nepal
CEB	Central Examination Board
CEC	Chief Election Commissioner
CEDAW	1. <a href="#">Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women</a> 2. <a href="#">Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women</a> ; a UN expert body established in 1982 composed of 23 experts on women's issues from around the world
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CHD	Child Health Division
CIAA	<a href="#">Commission for the Investigation of Abuse of Authority</a> ; Nepals Antikorruptions-Kommission
CIB	<a href="#">Central Investigation Bureau of Nepal</a> ; eine Einrichtung der nepalischen Polizei
CIEDP	Commission of Investigation on Enforced Disappeared Persons; formed in 2015 on the basis of the TRC law to investigate into the forceful disappearance of people at the time of the Maoist insurgency (1996-2006)
CIT	<a href="#">Citizen Investment Trust</a> ; established in 1991 in order to expand investment opportunities by encouraging general public to save capital and to bring dynamism in the development of capital market in the country
CJ	Chief Justice; the preceding justice of the Supreme Court (SC)
CJJF	Constitutional and Judicial Journalists Forum
CLPIU	Central Level Project Implementation Unit
CMmCC	Curriculum Management and Monitoring Central Committee
CNI	<a href="#">Confederation of Nepalese Industries</a>
CNP	<a href="#">Chitwan National Park</a>
COMS	<a href="#">College of Medical Sciences</a>
CPA	<a href="#">Comprehensive Peace Agreement</a> between the Nepali state and the Maoist party, concluded on November 21, 2006, as basis of the process of peace and restoration
CPIU	Central Project Implementation Unit; an institution under the Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development
CPN-M	Communist Party of Nepal – Maoist; original (1995-2009 ) name of the current CPN-MC (until May 2016 UCPN-M); since June 2012 again the party name of the radical section that split from the UCPN-M under the lead of Mohan Baidya

CPN-MC	<a href="#">Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist Centre)</a> ; name of the former UCPN-M after it joined with other parties and factions in May 2016
CPN-UML	<a href="#">Communist Party of Nepal – Unified Marxist-Leninist</a> ; one of the three leading political parties of Nepal; today, the party is more social-democratic than communist and also has a number of very conservative leaders; founded in January 1991 when CPN (Marxist) und CPN (Marxist-Leninist) merged
CPN(M)	Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist); a radical section of the UCPN-M that split from the mother party in 2009 under the lead of Matrika Yadav
CPNRM	Communist Party of Nepal Revolutionary Maoist; one of the splinter Maoist groups that rejoined the UCPN-M (then CPN-MC) in May 2016
CPR	Contraceptive Prevalence Rate
CRMSAP	Customs Reform and Modernisation Strategies and Action Plan (2017-21); to implement the provisions of Revised Kyoto Convention by DoC
CSDCR	Committee to Study and Determine Constitutional Records, one of the five committees of the CA
CSO	Civil Society Organisation
CSR	Corporate Social Responsibility
CTEVT	<a href="#">Council for Technical Education and Vocational Training</a>
CTMCC	Chure Tarai-Madhes Conservation Committee
CVCP	<a href="#">Conflict Victims Common Platform</a> ; an alliance of 17 organisations representing the victims who suffered at the hand of rebels and the state during a decade-long insurgency
CWC	Central Working Committee
DADO	District Agriculture Development Office
DAO	District Administration Office
DATC	District Technical Assistance Committee
DCP	Development Cooperation Policy
DDA	Department of Drug Administration
DDB	Darbar marg Development Board
DDC	1. District Development Committee: means the administrative unit of the district as well as the district council that is elected by municipalities and VDCs of a district 2. <a href="#">Dairy Development Corporation</a> ; a public enterprise
DECONT	Democratic Confederation of Nepalese Trade Unions; an association of trade unions that split in 1997 from NTUC; in 2008 DECONT reunited with the NTUC under the name Nepal Trade Union Congress – Independent zusammen
DEO	District Education Office
DG	Director General
DHM	<a href="#">Department of Hydrology and Meteorology</a> ; a department of Ministry of Population & Environment
DLB Bank	<a href="#">Deprpsc Laghubitta Bikas Bank Ltd</a>
DNF	<a href="#">Dalit NGO Federation</a> ; an umbrella organization of all Dalit NGOs in the country
DNPWC	<a href="#">Department of National Parks and Wildlife Conservation</a>
DoA	<a href="#">Department of Archaeology</a>
DoC	<a href="#">Department of Customs</a> ; under Ministry of Finance
DoHS	<a href="#">Department of Health Services</a>
DoP	<a href="#">Department of Passport</a> ; a department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

DoR	<a href="#">Department of Roads</a>
DoTM	<a href="#">Department of Transport Management</a>
DPHO	District Public Health Office
DPR	Detailed Project Report
DRI	Department of Revenue Investigation; a department of the Ministry of Finance, established in 1994
DRR	Disaster Risk Reduction
DRS	Dispute Resolution Subcommittee; one of the committees of the first CA
DSCWM	<a href="#">Department of Soil Conservation and Watershed Management</a> , a department of the Ministry of Forests and Soil Conservation
E-BPS	<a href="#">Electronic-Building Permit System</a> (link is related to the Kathmandu E-BPS)
EBC	Everest Base Camp
EC	1. <a href="#">Election Commission</a> 2. European Commission
ECAN	<a href="#">Education Consultancy Association of Nepal</a> ; an umbrella organisation of education consultancies across the country
ECDP	Election Constituency Development Program; proposed by the NC in 2014 as a institution to run development projects in the election constituencies under the lead of the MP elected with funds of 50 million Rupees; in other words: further extreme politicisation of the development sector
EDCD	Epidemiology and Disease Control Division
eGMP	e-Government Master Plan
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EIB	<a href="#">European Investment Bank</a>
EPCCC	Environment Protection and Climate Change Council; established by the Ministry of Population and Environment
EPG	Eminent Persons' Group; formed on July 2016 to suggest the government to strengthen the bilateral ties and to review the past treaties and agreements between Nepal and India
ERF	Economic Revival Fund; a Rs 100 billion fund launched by the government to revive productive sector
FCGO	<a href="#">Financial Comptroller General Office</a> ; the main government agency responsible for the treasury operation of government
FECOFUN	<a href="#">Federation of Community Forestry Users, Nepal</a> ; a network of forest user groups
FEDWASUN	<a href="#">Federation of Drinking Water and Sanitation Users Nepal</a> ; a people based umbrella organization of drinking water and sanitation user's groups in Nepal - See more at: <a href="http://www.fedwasun.org/#sthash.C1AfO53m.dpuf">http://www.fedwasun.org/#sthash.C1AfO53m.dpuf</a>
FEEN	<a href="#">Federation of Electrical Entrepreneurs of Nepal</a>
FEFVEN	Federation of Fruits and Vegetable Entrepreneurs Nepal
FHAN	<a href="#">Federation of Handicraft Associations of Nepal</a> ; established in 1972
FINGO	Financial Intermediary Non-governmental Organisations
FITTA	<a href="#">Foreign Investment and Technology Transfer Act</a> , 1992
FLPN	Federal Limbuwan Party Nepal
FNCN	Federation of National Christian, Nepal
FNCSI	<a href="#">Federation of Nepali Cottage and Small Industries</a>
FNJ	<a href="#">Federation of Nepali Journalists</a> ; umbrella organisation of Nepali journalists

FONIJ	<a href="#">Federation of Nepalese Indigenous Journalists</a> ; an organisation of journalists from ethnic groups
FPO	Further Public Offering
FRA	1. Federal Republican Alliance; in 2014 an alliance of 7 parties: UCPN-M, FSP and 5 Madheshi parties 2. Forest Resource Assessment
FRF	Federal Republican Front
FSFN	<a href="#">Federal Socialist Forum, Nepal</a> (Sangghiya Samajvadi Forum, Nepal SSFN); a political party of Nepal led by Upendra Yadav formed in 2012; 37 MPs in current parliament
FSP	Federal Socialist Party – Nepal
FU	<a href="#">Far-western University</a> ; a university in Mahendranagar
FWEAN	<a href="#">Federation of Woman Entrepreneurs Association of Nepal</a>
GABV	<a href="#">Global Alliance for Banking on Values</a> ; an independent network of banks using finance to deliver sustainable economic, social and environmental development
GAN	<a href="#">Global Action Nepal</a> ; a small but dynamic organisation working in Nepal to help develop the education system and implement social change
GBIA	Gautam Buddha International Airport; the airport of Bhairahawa that is currently being upgraded
GBV	Gender Based Violence
GEFONT	<a href="#">General Federation of Nepalese Trade Unions</a> ; an association of 17 national trade unions close to CPN-UML
GEOC	General Election Observation Committee
GHT	<a href="#">Great Himalayan Trails</a> ; a collection of various trails in the upper and middle districts of Nepal
GloAct	<a href="#">Global Action against trafficking in persons and the smuggling of migrants</a> in 13 countries including Nepal, initiated by UNODC
GLOF	Glacial Lake Out-burst Flood
GoN	Government of Nepal
HAMI	Humanitarian Accountability Monitoring Initiatives
HDI	Human Development Index; statistics on life expectancy, education and income
HISSAN	<a href="#">Higher Secondary Schools' Association Nepal</a> ; a national level umbrella association of privately funded Higher Secondary Schools, affiliated to Higher Secondary Education Board
HOTC	<a href="#">Human Organ Transplant Centre</a> in Bhaktapur
HPEC	Health Profession Education Commission
HRSN	<a href="#">Human Resources Society of Nepal</a>
HSEB	<a href="#">Higher Secondary Education Board</a>
HT	Head teacher
HTF	Hetauda Textile Factory
IB	<a href="#">Insurance Board</a> (Beema Samiti); the insurance regulatory authority of Nepal
IBN	<a href="#">Investment Board Nepal</a> ; the national investment authority, established with the aim of boosting the country's infrastructural development by attracting and facilitating foreign direct investment (FDI)
ICAN	<a href="#">Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nepal</a>
ICD	1. Inland Container Depot 2. Inland Clearance Depot

ICIMOD	<a href="#">International Center for Integrated Mountain Development</a> ; a regional centre for mountainresearch on the Hindukush-Himalaya region based in Kathmandu
ICP	Integrated Check Post
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
IEV	International Exhibition Venue
IGP	Inspector General of Police
IIDS	<a href="#">Institute for Integrated Development Studies</a>
IMEI	International Mobile Equipment Identity
INCLUDE	<a href="#">Inclusive Development of the Economy</a> ; a joint Nepal-German programme commissioned by the Ministry of Industry (MoI) and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
INNM	Indigenous Nationalities National Movement; a Janajati umbrella organisation led by Padma Ratna Tuladhar
IoM	<a href="#">Institute of Medicine</a> , Tribhuvan University
IPO	Initial Public Offering
IPP	Independent Power Producer
IPPAN	<a href="#">Independent Power Producers' Association - Nepal</a>
ISP	Internet Service Provider
IUCN	<a href="#">International Union for Conservation of Nature</a>
JC	1. <a href="#">Judicial Council</a> ; according to article 153 of the new constitution to make proposals for the nomination, promotion, dismissal, disciplining, etc.; it is headed by the CJ 2. Joint Commission; a common commission of Nepal and India to extend political dialogue
JED	Judgement Execution Directorate; a department of the Supreme Court
JEMC	<a href="#">Janak Education Materials Center</a>
JEOC	Joint Election Operation Centre
JICA	<a href="#">Japan International Cooperation Agency</a>
JMC	<a href="#">Jagaran Media Centre</a> ; an association of journalists from Dalit castes, formed in 2000
JOC	Judicial Oversight Committee; a committee suggested by the Supreme Court in order to control justices
JTCC	Joint Tourism Coordination Committee
KDDC	Kathmandu District Development Committee
KEP	<a href="#">Karnali Employment Programme</a>
KFN	<a href="#">Karuna Foundation Nepal</a> ; works for prevention of avoidable disabilities among children and adults and improvement in quality of lives of persons with disabilities and their families by strengthening government health care system and empowering families and communities
KFVM	Kalimati Fruits and Vegetables Market
KMC	<a href="#">Kathmandu Metropolitan City</a> ; the administrative term for Kathmandu as the only metropolis of Nepal
KRRIP	Kathmandu Ring Road Improvement Project
KTV	<a href="#">Kantipur Television</a> ; one of the leading TV stations of Nepal
KTWR	Koshi Tappu Wildlife Reserve; a protected area in the Terai of eastern Nepal
KU	<a href="#">Kathmandu University</a> ; a university based at Dhulikhel, about 30 km east of Kathmandu

KUKL	<a href="#">Kathmandu Upathyaka Khanepani Limited</a> ; the water supply authority of the Kathmandu valley
KUPA	Kathmandu University Professor's Association
KUSL	Kathmandu University School of Law; a department of KU, established in 2013
KVDA	<a href="#">Kathmandu Valley Development Authority</a> ; established on 13 April 2012
LAHURNIP	<a href="#">Lawyers' Association for Human Rights of Nepalese Indigenous People</a> ; an association that wants to promote the human rights of Nepal's indigenous groups
LAPA	Local Adaptation Program of Action
LBRC	Local Body Restructuring Commission (see also LLRC)
LBRTSC	Local Body Restructuring Technical Support Committee
LBU	<a href="#">Lumbini Buddhist University</a>
LCG	Local Consumer Group
LDO	Local Development Officer
LIDC	Low Income Developing Country
LLRC	Local Level Restructuring Commission (see also LBRC)
LMD	Logistics Management Division
LRO	Land Revenue Office
LSMC	<a href="#">Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City</a> ; also known as Patan
LSO	Land Survey office
MAN	Montessori Association Nepal
MBBS	<a href="#">Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery</a> ; the two first professional degrees in medicine and surgery awarded upon graduation from medical school by universities in countries that follow the tradition of the United Kingdom
MEDP	<a href="#">Micro-Enterprise Development Programme</a>
MFD	<a href="#">Meteorological Forecasting Division</a>
MMIHS	<a href="#">Manmohan Memorial Institute of Health Sciences</a>
MMPR	Mixed-Member Proportional Representation; an election system proposed by the Election Commission on August 30, 2014
MMR	Maternal Mortality Rate
MoAD	<a href="#">Ministry of Agriculture Development</a>
MoCPA	<a href="#">Ministry of Cooperatives and Poverty Alleviation</a>
MoCS	<a href="#">Ministry of Commerce and Supplies</a>
MoCTCA	<a href="#">Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation</a>
MoD	<a href="#">Ministry of Defence</a>
MoE	<a href="#">Ministry of Education</a>
MoEn	<a href="#">Ministry of Energy</a>
MoF	<a href="#">Ministry of Finance</a>
MoFA	<a href="#">Ministry of Foreign Affairs</a>
MoFALD	<a href="#">Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development</a>
MoFSC	<a href="#">Ministry of Forests and Soil Conservation</a>
MoHA	<a href="#">Ministry of Home Affairs</a>
MoHP	<a href="#">Ministry of Health and Population</a>
MoI	<a href="#">Ministry of Industry</a>

MoIC	<a href="#">Ministry of Information and Communications</a>
MoIr	<a href="#">Ministry of Irrigation</a>
MoLE	<a href="#">Ministry of Labour and Employment</a>
MoLJPA	<a href="#">Ministry of Law, Justice, Constituent Assembly and Parliamentary Affairs</a>
MoLRM	<a href="#">Ministry of Land Reform and Management</a>
MoPE	<a href="#">Ministry of Population and Environment</a>
MoPIT	<a href="#">Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport</a>
MoPR	<a href="#">Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction</a>
MoSTE	<a href="#">Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment</a>
MoUD	<a href="#">Ministry of Urban Development</a>
MoWCSW	<a href="#">Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare</a>
MoYS	<a href="#">Ministry of Youth and Sports</a>
MPIA	Mobile Phone Importers' Association
MPRF-D	Madheshi People's Rights Forum – Democratic (Madheshi Jana Adhikar Manch - Prajatantrik)
MPRF-N	<a href="#">Madheshi People's Rights Forum – Nepal</a> (Madheshi Jana Adhikar Manch – Nepal); a Madheshi political party formed in 2007 by splitting from the original Madheshi People's Rights Forum
MRP	Machine Readable Passport
MSP	minimum support price
MTPD	<a href="#">Metropolitan Traffic Police Department</a>
MWU	Mid-western University; a regional university based in Birendranagar
NA	<a href="#">Nepalese Army</a> (Nepali Sena)
NAC	<a href="#">Nepal Airlines Corporation</a> ; Nepal's national airline
NACEUN	<a href="#">Federation of Community Electricity Users Nepal</a> ; establish and ensure the effective role of communities in rural electrification through users' advocacy, institutional capacity building and national network building
NADA	Nepal Automobile Dealers' Association
NAFEA	<a href="#">Nepal Association of Foreign Employment Agencies</a>
NAHOH	<a href="#">Nepal Association of the Hard of Hearing</a>
NAM	<a href="#">Non-Aligned Movement</a> ; the association of non-aligned countries, founded in 1961 with today 120 member states; Nepal has been one of the founding members
NAMS	<a href="#">National Academy of Medical Sciences</a> ; integrated into Bir Hospital
NAMUDA	<a href="#">Nepal Academy of Music and Drama</a>
NAP	National Adaptation Plan; to identify appropriate climate change adaptation needs and implement them in the medium and long run
NAPA	National Adaptation Program of Action
NARA	<a href="#">Nepal Association of Rafting Agencies</a>
NAST	<a href="#">Nepal Academy of Science and Technology</a>
NATTA	<a href="#">Nepal Association of Tour &amp; Travel Agents</a>
NBA	1. <a href="#">Nepal Bar Association</a> 2. <a href="#">Nepal Bankers' Association</a>
NBSM	<a href="#">Nepal Bureau of Standards and Metrology</a>
NC	<a href="#">Nepali Congress</a> ; the most conservative of the three leading political parties;



	founded in Indian exile in 1947 as Nepali Rastriya Congress (Nepali National Congress)
NCASC	<a href="#">National Center for AIDS and STD Control</a> ; a department of Ministry of Health
NCB	<a href="#">Narcotics Control Bureau</a>
NCC	<a href="#">National Cadet Corps</a>
NCCCI	<a href="#">Nepal China Chamber of Commerce and Industries</a>
NCCR	<a href="#">Nepal Center for Contemporary Research</a> ; conducts research on conflict, peace and security in South Asia
NCCS	<a href="#">Nepal Centre for Contemporary Studies</a> ; an expert forum initiated by Lok Raj Baral
NCE	<a href="#">National Campaign for Education</a> ; a network of 286 non-government organisations
NCED	<a href="#">National Centre for Educational Development</a>
NCE-Nepal	<a href="#">National Campaign for Education Nepal</a> ; founded in 2010 as successor organisation of the Global Campaign for Education (GCE), that had been initiated in 2003
NCF	National Consumer Forum
NCF/N	<a href="#">National Cooperative Federation of Nepal</a>
NCRS	<a href="#">Nepal Cancer Relief Society</a>
NDA	<a href="#">Nepal Dental Association</a>
NDAC	National Development Action Committee
NDC	<a href="#">National Dalit Commission</a> ; a state commission to protect the rights and interests of the Dalits, initiated in 2002
NDF	National Disabled Fund
NDSA	Nepal Dental Science Association
NEA	<a href="#">Nepal Electricity Authority</a> ; the national electricity authority
NEB	National Examination Board; replaced the HSEB after the reform of the education system in mid 2016
NEFEJ	<a href="#">Nepal Forum of Environmental Journalists</a>
NEFIN	<a href="#">Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities</a> (Nepal Adivasi Janajati Mahasangh); an umbrella association of ethnic organisations, originally simply named Nepal Janajati Mahasangh (NJM)
NELTA	<a href="#">Nepal English Language Teachers' Association</a>
NEOC	<a href="#">National Election Observation Committee</a>
NEPA	Nepal Egg Producers' Association
NEPSAS	Nepal Public Sector Accounting Standards
NEPSE	<a href="#">Nepal Stock Exchange</a> Limited; Nepal's stock exchange, opened on January 13, 1994
NERC	Nepal Electricity Regulatory Commission
NEST	Nepal Street Vendors Union
NFC	1. <a href="#">Nepal Food Corporation</a> 2. National Farmers' Commission
NFDIN	<a href="#">National Foundation for Development of Indigenous Nationalities</a>
NFDN	<a href="#">National Federation of the Disabled, Nepal</a> ; the national umbrella body of persons with disabilities, representing more than three hundreds member organizations working for promoting the rights of disabled people
NFIWUAN	National Federation of Irrigation Water Users Nepal

NFN	<a href="#">NGO Federation of Nepal</a> ; an umbrella organisation of NGOs in the aftermath of democratic political change and establishment of multiparty parliamentary system in 1990; an autonomous, independent and politically non-partisan organization
NFPJ	<a href="#">National Forum of Photo Journalists</a>
NFTA	Nepal Foreign Trade Association
NGCCI	<a href="#">Nepal German Chamber of Commerce and Industry</a>
NGO-FONIN	<a href="#">NGO-Federation of Nepal Indigenous Nationalities</a> ; an umbrella organisation of about 100 indigenous NGOs
NHPC	<a href="#">Nepal Health Professional Council</a>
NHRAP	National Human Rights Action Plan
NHRC	1. <a href="#">National Human Rights Commission - Nepal</a> ; has five commissioners 2. <a href="#">Nepal Health Research Council</a>
NIBL	<a href="#">Nepal Investment Bank Ltd.</a>
NIC	<a href="#">National Information Commission</a> ; an independent body for the implementation of Right to Information as per the provisions of the RTI Act
NICU	neonatal intensive care unit
NID	National Investigation Department; Nep's intelligence service
NIET	National Institute of Engineering and Technology
NIS	<a href="#">Nepal Investment Summit</a>
NITDB	<a href="#">Nepal Intermodal Transport Development Board</a> ; to oversee the economical and efficient management of Inland Clearance Depots (ICDs) for facilitation of Nepal's foreign trade
NIWF	<a href="#">Nepal Indigenous Women Federation</a> ; an umbrella association of ethnic women organisations
NJA	<a href="#">Nepal Journalists Association</a>
NLC	<a href="#">Nepal Law Commission</a> ; the website of the NLC offers an archive of numerous law texts in English as well as Nepali
NMA	<a href="#">Nepal Medical Association</a>
NMC	<a href="#">Nepal Medical Council</a>
NMDA	Nepal Mobile Distributor Association
NMEFEN	<a href="#">National Micro Entrepreneurs Federation Nepal</a> ; an organisation established in 2006 to promote the interests of micro entrepreneurs from ethnic, indigenous and economically disadvantaged rural communities across Nepal.
NMKP	Nepal Majdur Kisan Party (Nepal Workers Peasants Party, NWPP); a communist party led by Narayan Man Bijukchhe (Comrade Rohit) with stronghold in Bhaktapur; represented in all parliaments after 1990
NMSP	National Madhesh Socialist Party (Rastriya Madhesh Samajbadi Party); led by Sharatsingh Bhandari
NMTTFP	Nepal Multimodal Transit and Trade Facilitation Project
NMTU	Nepal Meter Taxi Union
NNDSWO	<a href="#">Nepal National Dalit Social Welfare Organization</a> ; founded in 1982 as first Dalit organisation of Nepal
NOC	<a href="#">Nepal Oil Corporation</a> ; owns up the monopoly for marketing of petrol products
NPA	National Political Assembly; the NPA has been an assembly suggested by the CPN-M to bring together the 31 parties of the CA as well as the 33 parties that had boycotted the CA electiobns of November 2013
NPABSAN	National Private and Boarding Schools' Association Nepal

NPC	<a href="#">National Planning Commission</a>
NPCA	Nepal Public Campus Association
NPP	National Pride Project; a development with high priority; besides, there are P1 projects to name projects with highest priority
NPTF	<a href="#">Nepal Peace Trust Fund</a> ; founded in January 2007 in support of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) of November 21, 2006
NPU	Nepal Professor Union
NRA	<a href="#">National Reconstruction Authority</a> ; formed in December 2015 to coordinate the reconstruction works after the earthquakes of April and May 2015
NRCL	<a href="#">Nepal Reinsurance Company Limited</a> ; Nepal's lone reinsurer
NRCS	<a href="#">Nepal Red Cross Society</a>
NRREP	<a href="#">National Rural and Renewable Energy Programme</a>
NSET	<a href="#">National Society for Earthquake Technology - Nepal</a>
NSFIN	Nepal Students Federation of Indigenous Nationalities; an organisation of students from ethnic groups
NSN	<a href="#">Nayan Shakti Nepal</a> (anglisiert auch: Naya Shakti Nepal);
NSP	Network Service Provider
NSU	1. <a href="#">Nepal Sanskrit University</a> ; founded in 1986 under the name of Mahendra Sanskrit University 2. <a href="#">Nepal Students Union</a> (Nepal Vidyarthi Sangh); the student organisation of the Nepali Congress
NTA	<a href="#">Nepal Telecommunications Authority</a>
NTB	<a href="#">Nepal Tourism Board</a> ; the official tourism website for Nepal
NTCDB	<a href="#">National Tea and Coffee Development Board</a>
NTD	Nepal Tarun Dal; the youth organisation of the Nepali Congress
NTGC	National Transmission Grid Company
NTIP	<a href="#">Nepal Trade Information Portal</a> ; a new party formed by former Maoist leader Baburam Bhattarai in 2016
NTIS	<a href="#">Nepal Trade Integration Strategy</a>
NTNC	<a href="#">National Trust for Nature Conservation</a> ; founded in 1982 under the name of King Mahendra Trust for Nature Conservation
NTTP-I	<a href="#">Nepal Transition to Peace Institute</a>
NTUC	<a href="#">Nepal Trade Union Congress</a> ; until 2008 an association of trade unions close to the Nepali Congress; it then merged with DECONT under the name of Nepal Trade Union Congress - Independent
NTUC-I	Nepal Trade Union Congress – Independent; an association of trade unions close to the Nepali Congress; founded in 2008 by merger of NTUC and DECONT
NVC	<a href="#">National Vigilance Centre</a> ; a government institution in order to prevent corruption and abuse of authority
NWA	Nepal Women's Association, a sister organization the Nepali Congress
NWC	<a href="#">National Women Commission</a>
NWCF	<a href="#">Nepal Water Conservation Foundation</a> ; a nonpartisan institution dedicated to interdisciplinary research on issues affecting the use and management of water and related natural resources
NWEDC	<a href="#">Nepal Water and Energy Development Company</a>
NYC	<a href="#">National Youth Council</a>

OAG	<a href="#">Office of the Auditor General</a>
OBOR	<a href="#">One Belt One Road</a> ; a Chinese initiative to enhance regional connectivity
OCE	<a href="#">Office of Controller of Examinations</a> ; under the Ministry of Education; conducts National Level Examination of students
OCR	Office of the Company Registrar
ODF	Open Defecation Free; a campaign to promote the installation and use of toilets
OPMCM	<a href="#">Office of Prime Minister and Council of Ministers</a>
PABSON	<a href="#">Private and Boarding Schools' Organisation, Nepal</a>
PADT	<a href="#">Pashupati Area Development Trust</a> ; a trust to promote and preserve the area around the Pashupatinath sanctuary in Kathmandu Trust für Betreiben und Erhalt der Anlage rund um den Pashupati-Tempel in Kathmandu
PAF	<a href="#">Poverty Alleviation Fund</a>
PAHS	<a href="#">Patan Academy of Health Sciences</a> ; a public non-profit academic institution dedicated to improving Nepal's rural health by training health workers for rural Nepal
PCN	<a href="#">Press Council Nepal</a>
PDA	Project Development Agreement
PDCC	Political Dialogue and Consensus Committee; one of the five CA committees
PEB	Public Enterprise Board
PFM	Public Financial Management, a multi-donor trust fund
PPR	Power Purchase Rates
RfP	Request for Proposal
PHC	Primary Health Centre
PHCC	Primary Health Care Centre
PHSC	Parliamentary Hearing Special Committee; a committee of the CA comprising 72 persons
PMO	<a href="#">Prime Minister's Office</a> (Office of the Prime Minister and Council of Ministers)
PPA	Power Purchase Agreement (with India)
PPP	Public Private Partnership
PRDC	Parliamentary Regulations Drafting Committee
PRDF	Post Disaster Recovery Framework
PSC	<a href="#">Public Service Commission</a> (Lok Sewa Ayog)
PTA	1. Power Trade Agreement 2. Parent Teacher's Association
PU	1. <a href="#">Pokhara University</a> ; a university based at Lekhnath 2. <a href="#">Purbanchal Universeachers' ServiceCommissioity</a> ; a university based at Biratnagar
PVTDC	Pokhara Valley Town Development Committee
PWR	Parsa Wildlife Reserve
RBS	<a href="#">Rastriya Beema Sansthan</a> ; Nepal's national insurance corporation
RCC	Revolutionary Communist Centre; a breakaway faction of the UCPN-M under the lead of Mani Thapa
RJP-N	Rastriya Janata Party-Nepal; formed on 21 April 2017, when six of the seven SLMM parties joined: Tarai Madhes Loktantrik Party (11 seats in parliament), Sadbhawana Party (6 seats), Tarai Madesh Sadbhawana Party (3seats), Rastriya Madesh Samajbadi Party (3 seats), Nepal Sadbhawana Party (1 seat)

	and Madhesi Janadhikar Forum-Ganatantrik (1 seat)
RPP	Rastriya Prajatantra Party (National Democratic Party, NDP); founded in 1990 as a conservative party meant for the politicians of the former royal Panchayat system; the RPP distanced from monarchy and Hindu state in 2008 but returned to this stance in 2015; the party suffered numerous splits and partly also reunifications since 1990
RPP-N	<a href="#">Rastriya Prajatantra Party – Nepal</a> (National Democratic Party – Nepal); split from the RPP in under the lead of Kamal Thapa; stands for Hindu state and the return to an active monarchy and rejects the idea of a federal republic; this means the party actually is extra-constitutional; nevertheless it is part of the current government led by the CPN-UML and Kamal Thapa is Minister of Foreign Affairs and one of 6 Deputy Prime Ministers
RSS	<a href="#">Rastriya Samachar Samiti</a> ; Nepal's national news agency
SAC	State Affairs Committee (of parliament)
SARI	Severe Acute Respiratory Infection
SASCOF	South Asian Climate Outlook Forum
SASEC	<a href="#">South Asia Sub-Regional Economic Cooperation</a>
SAWDF	South Asia Women's Development Forum
SC	<a href="#">Supreme Court</a>
SCBA	Supreme Court Bar Association
SCF	<a href="#">Strategic Climate Fund</a> ; one of two international climate investment funds
SDIP	Sustainable Development Investment Portfolio; an Australian project in the Himalayan region; Nepal's project partners are the Department of Agriculture, International Development Enterprises, the Nepal Agricultural Research Council and the Ministry of Agricultural Development
SEBON	<a href="#">Securities Board of Nepal</a>
SIA	Second International Airport
SLC	School Leaving Certificate; the final school examination after tenth class; abolished in 2016
SLCE	School Leaving Certificate Examinations after class 12; introduced in 2017
SLCP	Snow Leopards Conservation Project
SLMM	Samyukta Loktantrik Masheshi Morcha (United Democratic Madheshi Front, UDMF)
SMC	School Management Committee
SMEs	Small and Medium Enterprises
SNNP	Shivapuri-Nagarjuna National Park
SP	Sadbhavana Party; a Tarai party that split from the Nepal Sadbhavana Party (Anandi Devi) in Jahre 2007
SSDP	School Sector Development Plan; introduced in October 2016; aimed at bringing about changes to school education as per the spirit of the new constitution
SSFN	Sanghiya Samajbadi Forum Nepal (see FSFN)
SSG	Sanghiya Samabesi Gathabandhan; an alliance of the Samyukta Loktantrik Madhesi Morcha and Janajati groups affiliated with the Adivasi Janajati Rastriya Andolan (AJRA) formed in April 2016
SSP	Senior Superintendent of Police
SSRP	School Sector Reform Programme; replaced by SSDP after 6 years
STC	<a href="#">Salt Trading Corporation</a>

SWC	<a href="#">Social Welfare Council</a> ; responsible for co-ordination, co-operation, mobilisation and promotion of the social organizations and institutions (INGOs and NGOs)
TAAN	<a href="#">Trekking Agencies' Association of Nepal</a>
THRDA	<a href="#">Tarai Human Rights Defenders Alliance</a>
THT	<a href="#">The Himalayan Times</a> ; one of the leading English language dailies
TIA	<a href="#">Tribhuvan International Airport</a> ; Kathmandu's international airport
TIFA	<a href="#">Trade and Investment Framework Agreement</a> ; (in this case) an agreement between the USA and Nepal
TIMS	<a href="#">Trekking Information Management System</a>
TINepal	<a href="#">Transparency International Nepal</a>
TJ	transitional justice
TKP	<a href="#">The Kathmandu Post</a> ; one of the leading English language dailies
TMDP	Tarai Madhesh Democratic Party; see TMLP
TMLP	<a href="#">Tarai Madhesh Loktantrik Party</a> (Tarai Madhesh Democratic Party, TMDP); a Tarai party of former politicians of the Nepali Congress, founded on December 27, 2007, by Mahanta Thakur
TMO	Transport Management Office
TPP	Trade Promotion Programme
TRC	Truth and Reconciliation Commission; formed in 2015 on the basis of the TRC law to investigate into crimes that occurred during the time of the Maoist insurgency (1996-2006)
TRN	<a href="#">The Rising Nepal</a> ; the government owned oldest English language daily
TSC	<a href="#">Teachers' Service Commission</a>
TU	<a href="#">Tribhuvan University</a> ; Nepal's oldest university
UCPN-M	<a href="#">Unified Communist Party of Nepal – Maoist</a> ; one of the three leading political parties; founded in 1995 as a revolutionary underground party under the name of CPN-M; the U (for unified) was added in 2009 when the CPN-M was joined by some minor communist parties; the party was renamed CPN-MC in May 2016 after it (re)joined with other parties and factions
UDMF	United Democratic Madheshi Front (Samyukta Loktantrik Madheshi Morcha (SLMM))
UGC	<a href="#">University Grants Commission</a> ; allocate and disburse government grants to universities and higher educational institutions and take appropriate steps for the promotion and maintenance of standards of higher education in Nepal
UNFPA	<a href="#">United Nations Populations Fund</a> , originally named United Nations Fund for Population Activities
UTHP	Upper Trishuli Hydroelectricity Project
UTKHP	<a href="#">Upper Tamakoshi Hydroelectric Project</a> ; in 2016 the largest capacity hydropower project of Nepal (465 MW)
UWTC	United World Trade Center; a shopping mall in Tripureshwar, Kathmandu
VAW	Violence Against Women
VDC	Village Development Committee; means the local administrative unit (village) as well as the correspondingly elected local council
VDPP	Village Development Periodic Plan
VRS	Voluntary Retirement Scheme
WCSD	<a href="#">Women and Children Service Directorate</a>

WECS	<a href="#">Water and Energy Commission Secretariat</a>
WEOCO	<a href="#">Women Environment Preservation Committee</a> ; an organisation founded in 1992 for nature protection in the Kathmandu valley
WOREC Nepal	<a href="#">Women's Rehabilitation Center</a> ; an organisation preventing the trafficking of women from a human rights perspective
YAN	Youth Association Nepal; the youth wing of the CPN-UML
YCL	Young Communist League; the youth wing of the CPN-MC
YFIN	Youth Federation of Indigenous Nationalities, Nepal; an umbrella association of ethnic youth organisations