Annotated list of abbreviations
as they are often used in Nepali media

updated: 13/04/2026

(This annotated list is updated regularly. Link errors can nevertheless not be completely ruled out.)

AAIN	ActionAid International Nepal; part of a global justice federation working to achieve social justice, gender equality and poverty eradication
AAP	Administrative Aptitude Test; the entrance test for government job seekers
Abhaya	Project Abhaya is an organisation aiming to empower youth and women by providing a range of leadership training, promoting safety, and advocating for gender equality in Nepal
ACAP	Annapurna Conservation Area Project; a project by the NTNC on conservation and development in the Annapurna region started in 1986 by local population
ACD	Asia Cooperation Dialogue; an intergovernmental body aiming to promote interdependence among Asian countries
ACORAB	Association of Community Radio Broadcasters
ADB	Asian Development Bank; the leading Asian development bank
ADBL	Agricultural Development Bank Limited; a Nepali credit bank, founded in 1968
ADDCN	Association of District Development Committees of Nepal
AEPC	Alternative Energy Promotion Centre; an institution under the Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment
AFFON	Association of Family Forest Owners Nepal
AFU	Agriculture and Forestry University; established in 2010 in Rampur, Chitwan Distrikt
AHRC	Asian Human Rights Commission; an independent NGO based in Hongkong
AHW	Auxiliary Health Workers
AIC	Agriculture Inputs Company
AIG	Additional Inspector General of Police; second rank in police service (One star pip, crossed Khukuri and police baton within a wreath of leaves)
AIIB	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank; an Asian investment bank established in 2015
AIM	Alliance for Independent Madhesh, founded by Dr. Chandra Kanta Raut; transformed into Janamat Party on 18 March 2019
AIN	Association of International NGOs in Nepal
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

ANM	Auxiliary Nurse Midwife
ANTA	Association of Nepali Teraian in America
AOAN	Airline Operators Association of Nepal
APF	Armed Police Force; founded in 2001 as an interlink between army and police in their fight agaiinst the then Maoist insurgents
APHIN	Association of Private Health Institutions of Nepal
AWC	Accountability Watch Committee; a commmittee 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
BFIs	Banks and Financial Institutions
BJP	Bharatiya Janata Party; a Hindu oriented Indian party, currently in government
BNAC	Britain-Nepal Academic Council
BPKF	B. P. Koirala India-Nepal Foundation; 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	BP Koirala Institute of Health Sciences; one of the leading health academies of Nepal, placed in Dharan
BPKMCH	BP Koirala Memorial Cancer Hospital, in Bharatpur
BPPMDC	Buddhist Philosophy Promotion and Monastery Development Committee
BRI	Belt and Road Initiative; a development strategy proposed by China
BRRC	Bhutanese Refugees Repatriation Representative Committee
BRT	Bus Rapid Transit
CA	Constituent Assembly
CAAN	Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal
CAC	Community Action Centre Nepal, a non-profit, non-governmental social organization, established in April 1993. To empower girls and women who are living in extreme conditions of poverty and marginalization that exacerbate their vulnerability to illegal migration, trafficking, violence and HIVAIDs
CAN	1. Computer Association of Nepal, formed in May 1992 but formally registered in December 1992 and later registered as Federation of Computer Association Nepal (CAN Federation) in January 2015 2. Cricket Association of Nepal
CBS	Central Bureau of Statistics, Government of Nepal
CBFIN	Confederation of Banks and Financial Institutions Nepal
CC	Central Committee
CCWB	Central Child Welfare Board; a statutory body under the Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare
CDA	Central Department of Anthropology at Tribhuvan University
CDC	Constituency Delimitation Commission; formed on 20 July 2017 as demanded by

	the constitution of 2015
CDO	Chief District Officer
CDP	Constituency Development Programme
CDSA	Central Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Tribhuvan University
CDSCL	Central Depository System and Clearing Ltd.; 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. Convention on the Elimination of All Forms od Discrimination against Women 2. Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women; a UN expert body established in 1982 composed of 23 experts on women's issues from around the world
CEF	Cardamom Entrepreneurs Federation
CeLRRd	Center for Legal Research and Resource Development, founded in 1998. Works to promote, uphold and respect the rule of law, good governance, fair and unrestricted access to justice, human rights and peace.
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CESIF	Centre for Social Innovation and Foreign Policy, a not-for profit, autonomous and independent private research institution serving in the public interest, with significant independence from any donor or interest group and autonomy from government
CGT	Capital Gain Tax
CHD	Child Health Division
CIAA	Commission for the Investigation of Abuse of Authority; Nepals Antikorruptions-Kommission
CIB	Central Investigation Bureau of Nepal; eine Einrichtung der nepalischen Polizei
CIC	Community Information Center., To serve information needs of people.
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)
CIJ	Centre for Investigation Journalism-Nepal, founded in 1996, primarily focuses on training journalists, mentoring them and producing stories that make authorities accountable and reveal societal anomalies
CISP	Constituency Infrastructure Special Programme
CIT	Citizen Investment Trust; 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
CIVICUS	A global alliance of civil society organisations and activists dedicated to strengthening citizen action and civil society throughout the world
CJ	Chief Justice; the preciding justice of the Supreme Court (SC)
CJJF	Constitutional and Judicial Journalists Forum
CLC	Community Learning Centre; to impart education to children deprived of

	a formal education, youth and illiterate or semi-literate adults, especially from underprivileged communities; introduced in the 1990s
CLPIU	Central Level Project Implementation Unit
CMmCC	Curriculum Management and Monitoring Central Committee
CNI	Confederation of Nepalese Industries
CNP	Chitwan National Park
COMS	College of Medical Sciences
CONCERN-Nepal	Concern for Children and Environment - Nepal; a non-governmental, non-profit organisation established in 1993; mission is the gradual eradication of child labour
COSCAP	Cooperative Development of Operational Safety and Continuing Airworthiness Programme
CPA	Comprehensive Peace Agreement 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	Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist Centre); name of the former UCPN-M after it joined with other parties and factions in May 2016
CPN-UML	Communist Party of Nepal – Unified Marxist-Leninist; 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
CPN(RM)	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
CREHPA	Center for Research on Environment, Health and Population Activities; founded in 1994
CRM	Complaint Response Mechanism; introduced at public schools to address problems of girl students
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	Council for Technical Education and Vocational Training
CTMCC	Chure Tarai-Madhes Conservation Committee
CVCP	Conflict Victims Common Platform; 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	Darbarmarg Development Board
DDC	1. District Development Committee: means the administrative unit of the district as well as the district councel that is elected by municipalities and VDCs of a district 2. Dairy Development Corporation; a public enterprise
DDP	Dairy Development Policy
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
DFAT	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia
DFID	UK Department for International Development
DG	Director General
DHM	Department of Hydrology and Meteorology; a department of Ministry of Population & Environment
DIG	Deputy Inspector General of Police; third rank in police service (Crossed Khukuri and police baton within a wreath of leaves)
DLB Bank	Deprosc Laghubitta Bikas Bank Ltd
DMLI	Department of Money Laundering Investigation (Nepali website)
DNF	Dalit NGO Federation; an umbrella organization of all Dalit NGOs in the country
DNPWC	Department of National Parks and Wildlife Conservation
DoA	Department of Archaeology
DoC	Department of Customs; under Ministry of Finance
DoCR	Department of Civil Registration; under the Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development
DoFE	Department of Foreign Employment; under the Ministry of Labour and Employment
DoHS	Department of Health Services
DoMG	Department of Mines and Geology
DoP	Department of Passport; a department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
DoR	Department of Roads
DoSM / DoSMPCI)	Department Of Supply Management And Protection Of Consumers Interest; under the Ministry of Supplies
DoTM	Department of Transport Management

DPHO	District Public Health Office
DPR	Detailed Project Report
DRI	Department of Revenue Investigation; a department of the Ministry of Finance, established in 1994
DRILP	Decentralized Rural Infrastructure and Livelihood Project; an ADP financed project to reduce rural poverty in 18 rural hill and mountain districts
DRR	Disaster Risk Reduction
DRRMA	Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority
DRS	Dispute Resolution Subcommittee; one of the committees of the first CA
DSCWM	Department of Soil Conservation and Watershed Management, a department of the Ministry of Forests and Soil Conservation
DSP	Deputy Superintendent of police; sixth rank in police service (One star pip, crossed Khukuri and police baton)
E-BPS	Electronic-Building Permit System (link is related to the Kathmandu E-BPS)
EBC	Everest Base Camp
EC	1. Election Commission 2. European Commission
ECAN	Education Consultancy Association of Nepal; an umbrella organisation of education consultancies across the country
ECDC	Early Childhood Development Centre; established in 2005; aims at providing a homely environment for the children living in prison with their parents
ECDP	Election Constituency Development Program; proposed by the NC in 2014 as a institution to run development projects in the election constituencis under the lead of the MP elected with funds of 50 million Rupees; in other words: further extreme policisation of the development sector
ECEC	Early Childhood Education Centre; established in 2001 to improve the quality of Pre- and Primary School teaching
ECTS	Electronic Cargo Tracking System; introduced on the route between Kolkata and Nepal in January 2018
EDCD	Epidemiology and Disease Control Division
eGMP	e-Government Master Plan
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EIB	European Investment Bank
EPCCC	Environment Protection and Climate Change Council; established by the Ministry of Population and Environment
EPF	Employees Provident Fund (Karmachari Sanachaya Kosh); a fund of all Army and Police personnel, Civil servants, employees of state owned Corporations, and teachers of Governments Schools in Nepal
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

ETFC	Electricity Tariff Fixation Commission
FAN	Floriculture Association of Nepal, established in 1992
FCAN	Federation of Contractors' Associations of Nepal
FCGO	Financial Comptroller General Office; the main government agency responsible for the treasury operation of government
FECOFUN	Federation of Community Forestry Users, Nepal; a network of forest user groups
FEDWASUN	Federation of Drinking Water and Sanitation Users Nepal; a people based umbrella organization of drinking water and sanitation user's groups in Nepal - See more at: http://www.fedwasun.org/#sthash.C1AfO53m.dpuf
FEEN	Federation of Electrical Entrepreneurs of Nepal
FEFVEN	Federation of Fruits and Vegetable Entrepreneurs Nepal
FfW	Food for Work
FHAN	Federation of Handicraft Associations of Nepal; established in 1972
FINGO	Financial Intermediary Non-governmental Organisations
FITTA	Foreign Investment and Technology Transfer Act, 1992
FIU	Financial Information Unit, Nepal's financial intelligence unit
FLPN	Federal Limbuwan Party Nepal
FNCN	Federation of National Christian, Nepal
FNCSI	Federation of Nepali Cottage and Small Industries
FNJ	Federation of Nepali Journalists; umbrella organisation of Nepali journalists
FNNTE	Federation of Nepali National Transport Entrepreneurs
FONIJ	Federation of Nepalese Indigenous Journalists; 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	Federal Socialist Forum, Nepal (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
FTA	Free Trade Agreement
FU	Far-western University; a university in Mahendranagar
FWEAN	Federation of Woman Enterpreneurs Association of Nepal
GABV	Global Alliance for Banking on Values; an independent network of banks using finance to deliver sustainable economic, social and environmental development
GAN	Global Action Nepal; 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	General Federation of Nepalese Trade Unions; an association of 17 national trade unions close to CPN-UML
GEOC	General Election Observation Committee
GHT	Great Himalayan Trails; a collection of various trails in the upper and middle districts of Nepal
GJM	Gorkha Janamukti Morcha; a registered but unrecognised Indian political party which campaigns for the creation of a separate state Gorkhaland within India, out of districts in the north of West Bengal
GloAct	Global Action against trafficking in persons and the smuggling of migrants in 13 countries including Nepal, initiated by UNODC
GLOF	Glacial Lake Out-burst Flood
GODAN	Government Doctors' Association of Nepal
GoN	Government of Nepal
GPA	Grade Point Average; a measuring system for Secondary Education Examination (SEE)
HAMI	Humanitarian Accountability Monitoring Initiatives
HAN	Heli Air Nepal
HDI	Human Development Index; statistics on life expectancy, education and income
HISSAN	Higher Secondary Schools' Association Nepal; a national level umbrella association of privately funded Higher Secondary Schools, affiliated to Higher Secondary Education Board
HLEC	High-Level Education Commission
HOTC	Human Organ Transplant Centre in Bhaktapur
HPEC	Health Profession Education Commission
HRSN	Human Resources Society of Nepal
HSEB	Higher Secondary Education Board
HT	Head teacher
HTF	Hetauda Textile Factory
HURPES	Human Rights and Peace Society Nepal; a non-governmental, non-political and non-profit independent volunteer organization with a focus on non-violence, peace, human rights and democracy, founded in 1996 by Krishna Pahadi
IB	Insurance Board (Beema Samiti); the insurance regulatory authority of Nepal
IBN	Investment Board Nepal; the national investment authority, established with the aim of boosting the country's infrastructural development by attracting and facilitating foreign direct investment (FDI)
ICAN	Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nepal
ICD	1. Inland Container Depot 2. Inland Clearance Depot
ICIMOD	International Center for Integrated Mountain Development; a regional centre for mountainresearch on the Hindukush-Himalaya region based in Kathmandu
ICP	Integrated Check Post

ICT	Information and Communication Technology
ICTF	Impoverished Citizen Treatment Fund
IELTS	International English Language Testing System
IEV	International Exhibition Venue
IFMIS	Integrated Financial Management Information System; a planned computerised system that allows each expense of all government agencies to be traced through one window
IGP	Inspector General of Police; first rank in police service (Two star pips, crossed Khukuri and police baton within a wreath of leaves)
IIDS	Institute for Integrated Development Studies
IMEI	International Mobile Equipment Identity
INCLUDE	Inclusive Development of the Economy; a joint Nepal-German programme commissioned by the Ministry of Industry (MoI) and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
INLC	Independent National Lawyers' Campaign
INNJA	International Network for Nepali Journalists
INNM	Indigenous Nationalities National Movement; a Janajati umbrella organisation led by Padma Ratna Tuladhar
IoM	Institute of Medicine, Tribhuvan University
IPIN	Inter-Party Indigenous Network; formed in coordination with the Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities (NEFIN) and the National Foundation for the Development of Indigenous Nationalities (NFDIN), taking in two leaders from each party
IPO	Initial Public Offering
IPP	Independent Power Producer
IPPAN	Independent Power Producers' Association - Nepal
IRENA	International Renewable Energy Agency; Nepal is going to sign the IRENA statute in October 2017 as 153rd nation
ISP	Internet Service Provider
ITSC	Income Tax Settlement Commission; under the Ministry of Finance
ITT-LLDC	International Think Tank for the Landlocked Developing Countries
IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature
JC	1. Judicial Council; 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	Janak Education Materials Center
JEOC	Joint Election Operation Centre
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
JMC	Jagaran Media Centre; 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
KAHS	Karnali Academy of Health Sciences, Jumla
KDDC	Kathmandu District Development Committee
KEEP	Kathmandu Environmental Education Project, founded in 1992. Mission of ensuring the future ecological and cultural prosperity of Nepal and its people by maximizing the benefits and reducing the negative impacts associated with tourism
KEP	Karnali Employment Programme
KFN	Karuna Foundation Nepal; 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	Kathmandu Metropolitan City; the administrative term for Kathmandu metropolis
KRRIP	Kathmandu Ring Road Improvement Project
KSL	Kathmandu School pf Law. Kathmandu School of Law was established in year 2000 as a community-based, non-profit academic institution. KSL is the first institution in the country to initiate 5 year undergraduate degree in Law
KTV	Kantipur Television; one of the leading TV stations of Nepal
KTWR	Koshi Tappu Wildlife Reserve; a protected area in the Terai of eastern Nepal
KU	Kathmandu University; a university based at Dhulikhel, about 30 km east of Kathmandu
KUKL	Kathmandu Upathyaka Khanepani Limited; 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	Kathmandu Valley Development Authority; established on 13 April 2012
LAHURNIP	Lawyers' Association for Human Rights of Nepalese Indigenous People; 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	Lumbini Buddhist University
LCG	Local Consumer Group
LDO	Local Development Officer
LIDC	Low Income Developing Country
LLEUN	Local Level Employees Union Nepal
LLFMIS	Local Level Financial Management Information System
LLRC	Local Level Restructuring Commission (see also LBRC)
LMC	Lalitpur Metropolitan City

LMD	Logistics Management Devision
LRO	Land Revenue Office
LSMC	Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City; also known as Patan
LSO	Land Survey office
LTO	Large Taxpayers' Office
MAN	1. Montessori Association Nepal 2. Media Action Nepal. An organisation to promote freedom of expression and media development, founded in 2015
MBBS	Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery; 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
MDTF	Multi Donor Trust Fund, established in December 2010 (UK Department for International Development (DFID), The Governments of Norway and Denmark, Australia DFAT, USAID (United States Agency for International Development), European Union and Government of the Swiss Confederation)
MEDP	Micro-Enterprise Development Programme
MEPC	Medical Education Probe Commission
MFD	Meteorological Forecasting Division
MMIHS	Manmohan Memorial Institute of Health Sciences
MMPR	Mixed-Member Proportional Representation; an election system proposed by the Election Commission on August 30, 2014
MMR	Maternal Mortality Rate
MoAD	Ministry of Agriculture Development
MoCPA	Ministry of Cooperatives and Poverty Alleviation
MoCS	Ministry of Commerce and Supplies
MoCTCA	Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation
MoD	Ministry of Defence
MoE	Ministry of Education
MoEn	Ministry of Energy
MoF	Ministry of Finance
MoFA	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
MoFALD	Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development
MoFSC	Ministry of Forests and Soil Conservation
MoHA	Ministry of Home Affairs
MoHP	Ministry of Health and Population
MoI	Ministry of Industry
MoIC	Ministry of Information and Communications
MoIr	Ministry of Irrigation
MoLE	Ministry of Labour and Employment
MoLJPA	Ministry of Law, Justice, Constituent Assembly and Parliamentary Affairs

MoLRM	Ministry of Land Reform and Management
MoPE	Ministry of Population and Environment
MoPIT	Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport
MoPR	Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction
MoSTE	Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment
MoUD	Ministry of Urban Development
MoWCSW	Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare
MoYS	Ministry of Youth and Sports
MPIA	Mobile Phone Importers' Association
MPRF-D	Madheshi People's Rights Forum – Democratic (Madheshi Jana Adhikar Manch - Prajatantrik)
MPRF-N	Madheshi People's Rights Forum – Nepal (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
MSNP	Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Plan
MSP	minimum support price
MTEF	1. Mid-Term Evaluation Framework 2. Medium Term Expenditure Framaework
MTPD	Metropolitan Traffic Police Department
MWU	Mid-western University; a regional university based in Birendranagar
NA	1. Nepalese Army (Nepali Sena) 2. National Assembly, the second house of Nepalese parliament as representation of the provincial and local levels
NAC	1. Nepal Airlines Corporation; Nepal's national airline 2. Nepal Art Council; a leading non-profit organization focused on promoting arts and artists of Nepal
NACEUN	Federation of Community Electricity Users Nepal; 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	Nepal Association of Foreign Employment Agencies
NAHOH	Nepal Association of the Hard of Hearing
NAM	Non-Aligned Movement; the association of non-aligned countries, founded in 1961 with today 120 member states; Nepal has been one of the founding members
NAMS	National Academy of Medical Sciences; integrated into Bir Hospital
NAMUDA	Nepal Academy of Music and Drama
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	Nepal Association of Rafting Agencies
NARC	Nepal Agricultural Research Council; an autonomous organisation to conduct

	agricultural research in the country to uplift the economic level of the people
NARMIN	National Association of Rural Municipalities in Nepal
NAST	Nepal Academy of Science and Technology
NATTA	Nepal Association of Tour & Travel Agents
NBA	1. Nepal Bar Association 2. Nepal Bankers' Association
NBI	National Banking Institute Ltd.
NBSM	Nepal Bureau of Standards and Metrology
NC	Nepali Congress; the most conservative of ther three leading political parties; founded in Indian exile in 1947 as Nepali Rastriya Congress (Nepali National Congress)
NCARD	National Coalition Against Racial Discrimination; an organization working on the issues of excluded communities in Nepal
NCASC	National Center for AIDS and STD Control; a department of Ministry of Health
NCB	Narcotics Control Bureau
NCC	National Cadet Corps
NCCCI	Nepal China Chamber of Commerce and Industries
NCCR	1 Nepal Center for Contemporary Research; conducts research on conflict, peace and security in South Asia 2. Center for Children at Risk; a government body functioning under the Central Child Welfare Board (CCWB)
NCCS	Nepal Centre for Contemporary Studies; an expert forum initiated by Lok Raj Baral
NCE	National Campaign for Education; a network of 286 non-government organisations established in 2003
NCED	National Centre for Educational Development
NCE-Nepal	National Campaign for Education Nepal; 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	National Cooperative Federation of Nepal
NCP	Nepal Communist Party. From 17 May 2018 to 7 March 2021, the CPN (UML) and the CPN (MC) appeared as a merged party under this name before the Supreme Court ruled this as illegitimate.
NCP	Nepali Communist Party. An alliance of nine left-wing parties initiated by PK Dahal of the CPN (MC) in early November 2025 after the Gen Z revolt of September 2025
NCRS	Nepal Cancer Relief Society
NDA	Nepal Dental Association
NDAC	National Development Action Committee
NDAN	Non-government Doctors' Association Nepal
NDC	National Dalit Commission; a state commission to protect the rights and interests of the Dalits, initiated in 2002
NDF	National Disabled Fund

NDRRMA	National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Authority
NDSA	Nepal Dental Science Association
NEA	Nepal Electricity Authority; the national electricity authority
NEB	National Examination Board; replaced the HSEB after the reform of the education system in mid 2016
NEF	Nepal Energy Forum; an independent forum and an on-line channel for the Nepal Energy markets(Hydropower,Wind, Biomass, Solar, Petroleum)
NEFEJ	Nepal Forum of Environmental Journalists
NEFIN	Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities (Nepal Adivasi Janajati Mahasangh); an umbrella association of ethnic organisations, originally simply named Nepal Janajati Mahasangh (NJM)
NEFSCUN	Nepal Federation of Savings and Credit Cooperative Unions, founded in 1988
NELTA	Nepal English Language Teachers' Association
NEOC	1. National Election Observation Committee 2. National Emergency Operation Centre; under the Ministry of Home Affairs
NEPA	Nepal Egg Producers' Association
NEPSAS	Nepal Public Sector Accounting Standards
NEPS	Nepal Electronic Payment System
NEPSE	Nepal Stock Exchange Limited; Nepal's stock exchange, opened on January 13, 1994
NepStat	NepStat, database portal by IIDS
NERC	Nepal Electricity Regulatory Commission
NEST	Nepal Street Vendors Union
NFC	1. Nepal Food Corporation 2. National Farmers' Commission
NFDIN	National Foundation for Development of Indigenous Nationalities
NFDN	National Federation of the Disabled, Nepal; the national umbrella body of persons with disabilities, representing more than three hundreds member organizations working for promoting the rights of disabled people
NFGF	National Farmers Group Federation
NFIEA	Nepal Financial Institutions Employees Association
NFIWUAN	National Federation of Irrigation Water Users Nepal
NFN	NGO Federation of Nepal; 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	National Forum of Photo Journalists
NFRS	Nepal Financial Reporting Standards
NFTA	Nepal Foreign Trade Association
NGCCI	Nepal German Chamber of Commerce and Industry
NGO-FONIN	NGO-Federation of Nepal Indigenous Nationalities; an umbrella organisation of about 100 indigenous NGOs
NGS	Nepal Geological Society

NHPC	Nepal Health Professional Council
NHRAP	National Human Rights Action Plan
NHRC	1. National Human Rights Commission - Nepal; has five commissioners 2. Nepal Health Research Council
NIBL	Nepal Investment Bank Ltd.
NIC	National Information Commission; 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; Nepal's intelligence service
NIET	National Institute of Engineering and Technology
NIRTTP	Nepal-India Regional Trade And Transport Project; a WB project to decrease transport time and logistics costs for bilateral trade between Nepal and India and transit trade along the Kathmandu-Kolkata corridor
NIS	Nepal Investment Summit
NITDB	Nepal Intermodal Transport Development Board; to oversee the economical and efficient management of Inland Clearance Depots (ICDs) for facilitation of Nepal's foreign trade
NIWF	Nepal Indigenous Women Federation; an umbrella association of ethnic women organisations
NJA	Nepal Journalists Association
NLC	Nepal Law Commission; the website of the NLC offers an archive of numerous law texts in English as well as Nepali
NMA	Nepal Medical Association
NMC	Nepal Medical Council
NMDA	Nepal Mobile Distributor Association
NMEFEN	National Micro Entrepreneurs Federation Nepal; 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
NMS	Nepal Media Society
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
NNDB	National Dairy Development Board
NNDSWO	Nepal National Dalit Social Welfare Organization; founded in 1982 as first Dalit organisation of Nepal
NNRFC	National Natural Resources and Fiscal Commission
NOC	Nepal Oil Corporation; owns up the monopoly for marketing of petrol products
NOTA	None Of The Above. In 2014, the Supreme Court directed the executive and legislature to offer the option of rejecting all listed candidates on ballot papers

	during elections. However, politicians refuse to implement it.
NOU	Nepal Open University, Lalitpur; founded in 2016
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	National Planning Commission
NPCA	Nepal Public Campus Association
NPDA	Nepal Petroleum Dealers' Association
NPHL	National Public Health Laboratory; he government national reference laboratory under the Department of health services (DoHS) and Ministry of Health and Population (MoHP). It is directly linked with different levels of 277 government laboratories in the country.
NPI	Nepal Policy Institute; an international think-tank and a knowledge-platform dedicated to the people-centred and sustainable development of Nepal and Nepali people, including diaspora Nepali; a global initiative of Non-Resident Nepali Association (NRNA)
NPP	National Pride Project; development projects with high priority; besides, there are P1 projects to name projects with highest priority
NPTF	Nepal Peace Trust Fund; founded in January 2007 in support of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) of November 21, 2006
NPU	Nepal Professor Union
NRA	National Reconstruction Authority; formed in December 2015 to coordinate the reconstruction works after the earthquakes of April and May 2015
NRC	1. Nepal Reinsurance Company; Nepal's lone reinsurer 2. Nepal Railway Company
NRCL	Nepal Reinsurance Company Limited
NRCS	Nepal Red Cross Society
NRDA	National Resident Doctors Association
NRREP	National Rural and Renewable Energy Programme
NSDRM	National Strategy for Disaster Risk Managemen
NSET	National Society for Earthquake Technology - Nepal
NSFIN	Nepal Students Federation of Indigenous Nationalities; an organisation of students from ethnic groups
NSN	Nayan Shakti Nepal (anglisiert auch: Naya Shakti Nepal);
NSO	National Statistics Office
NSP	Network Service Provider
NSST	Nepal Secretariat of Skills and Training, a Nepalese-German skills training initiative, aiming for systematic training partnerships between German chambers of commerce, chambers of craft, vocational schools and German companies on the one hand, and the Nepalese vocational training schools and Nepalese companies on the other hand
NSU	1. Nepal Sanskrit University; founded in 1986 under the name of Mahendra Sanskrit University

	2. Nepal Students Union (Nepal Vidyarthi Sangh); the student organisation of the Nepali Congress
NTA	Nepal Telecommunications Authority
NTB	Nepal Tourism Board; the official tourism website for Nepal
NTCDB	National Tea and Coffee Development Board
NTD	Nepal Tarun Dal; the youth organisation of the Nepali Congress
NTGC	National Transmission Grid Company
NTIP	Nepal Trade Information Portal; a new party formed by former Maoist leader Baburam Bhattarai in 2016http://www.myrepublica.com/news/22279/
NTIS	Nepal Trade Integration Strategy
NTL	National Trading Limited
NTNC	National Trust for Nature Conservation; founded in 1982 under the name of King Mahendra Trust for Nature Conservation
NTTP-I	Nepal Transition to Peace Institute
NTUC	Nepal Trade Union Congress; until 2008 an association of trade unions close to the Nepali Congress; it than 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
NUDS	National Urban Development Strategy
NUTA	Nepal University Teachers' Association
NVA	Nepal Volleyball Association
NVC	National Vigilance Centre; a government institution in order to prevent corruption and abuse of authority, under the Office of the Prime Minister
NWA	Nepal Women's Association, a sister organization the Nepali Congress
NWC	National Women Commission
NWCF	Nepal Water Conservation Foundation; a nonpartisan institution dedicated to interdisciplinary research on issues affecting the use and management of water and related natural resources
NWEDC	Nepal Water and Energy Development Company
NYC	National Youth Council
OAG	Office of the Auditor General
OBOR	One Belt One Road; a Chinese initiative to enhance regional connectivity
OCE	Office of Controller of Examinations; 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
OPCAT	United Nations Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment; so far (May 2019) not signed by Nepal
OPMCM	Office of Prime Minister and Council of Ministers
PA	Provincial Assembly

PABSON	Private and Boarding Schools' Organisation, Nepal
PADT	Pashupati Area Development Trust; a trust to promote and preserve the area around the Pashupatinath sanctuary in Kathmanduein Trust für Betreiben und Erhalt der Anlage rund um den Pashupati-Tempel in Kathmandu
PAF	Poverty Alleviation Fund
PAHS	Patan Academy of Health Sciences; a public non-profit academic institution dedicated to improving Nepal's rural health by training health workers for rural Nepal
PAN	Permanent Account Number; a unique and permanent numeric identifier for a taxpayer
PA Nepal	Prisoners Assistance Nepal; an NGO dedicated to create an enabling environment to ensure justice for incarcerated women and their dependent children
PCMTP	Poor Citizens' Medical Treatment Programme
PCN	Press Council Nepal
PDA	Project Development Agreement
PDCC	Political Dialogue and Consensus Committee; one of the five CA committees
PEB	Public Enterprise Board
PEFA	Public Expenditure and Financial Accountability; data on Nepal
PEI	Policy Entrepreneurs Incorporated, a policy research centre based in Kathmandu, bringing in local expertise and experience to deliver impactful results that support inclusive and sustainable growth in Nepal
PFM	Public Financial Management, a key element of Nepal's Government's strategy for strengthening governance, optimizing outputs from public resources and ensuring inclusive and broad-based development
PIHS	Pokhara Institute of Health and Sciences; a proposed health institution in Pokhara
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
PLMC	Pokhara Lekhnath Metropolitan City
PMEP	Prime Minister Employment Programme, initiated by the government of PM Oli
PMIS	Project Monitoring Information System; a web-based application software suite which has been developed to assist NRA and CLPIUs and DLPIUs to enhance information management and maintain reconstruction records
PMO	Prime Minister's Office (Office of the Prime Minister and Council of Ministers)
PNP	Parsa National Park; a conservation area east of Chitwan National Park
PPA	Power Purchase Agreement (with India)
PPO	Pension Paying Office; for former Indian Gurkha soldiers in Nepal
PPP	Public Private Partnership
PPUC	Party Unity Coordination Committee; formed to organise the unification of CPN-

	UML and CPN-MC in 2018
PRDC	Parliamentary Regulations Drafting Committee
PRDF	Post Disaster Recovery Framework
PSC	Public Service Commission (Lok Sewa Ayog)
PTA	1. Power Trade Agreement 2. Parent Teacher's Association
PU	1. Pokhara University; a university based at Lekhnath 2. Purbanchal Universeachers' ServiceCommissioity; a university based at Biratnagar
PVTDC	Pokhara Valley Town Development Committee
PWR	Parsa Wildlife Reserve
RAHS	Rapti Academy of Health Sciences
RBN	Roads Board Nepal; established under the Roads Board Act 2058 with the aim of providing sustainable fund for planned maintenance of the roads
RBS	Rastriya Beema Sansthan; 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)
RoLHR	Rule of Law and Human Rights Protection System; a development programme in support of judiciary initiated in April 2013 and supported by UNDP; in June 2018, the SC rejected further support by UNDP
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	Rastriya Prajatantra Party – Nepal (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	Rastriya Samachar Samiti; Nepal's national news agancy
SAC	State Affairs Committee (of parliament)
SAGGC	State Affairs and Good Governance Committee (of parliament)
Samata Foundation	Samata Foundation is an NGO that engages in research both empirical and policy, and informed-advocacy for the rights of marginalized people, especially Dalit social groups, both from Hill and Madhes; founded in 2009
SARI	Severe Acute Respiratory Infection
SASCOF	South Asian Climate Outlook Forum
SASEC	South Asia Sub-Regional Economic Cooperation

SAWDF	South Asia Women's Development Forum
SBAN	Stock Brokers Association of Nepal; umbrella organisation of all the stock brokers, established in 1994
SC	1. Supreme Court 2. Standing Committee (of political parties)
SCBA	Supreme Court Bar Association
SCF	Strategic Climate Fund; 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	Securities Board of Nepal
SEE	Secondary Education Examinations; the final school exams at the end of class 12
SGNHC	Shahid Gangalal National Heart Centre; a full fledged hospital which deals with a wide spectrum of cardiac cases in Bansbari, Kathmandu
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
SONA	Society of Nepalese Architects; he professional organization of Nepalese Architects, established in 1991
SP	1. Superintendent of police; fifth rank in police service (Two stars pips with crossed Khukuri and police baton) 2. Sadbhavana Party; a Tarai party that split from the Nepal Sadbhavana Party (Anandi Devi) in 2007
SSA	Social Security Allowance through the Social Security Fund (SSF)
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
SSF	Social Security Fund
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; fourth rank in Police service (Three stars pips with crossed Khukuri and police baton)
SSRP	School Sector Reform Programme; replaced by SSDP after 6 years
STC	Salt Trading Corporation

SWAN	1. Social Welfare Association of Nepal; founded in 1994 to support disadvantaged and rural communities in Nepal by providing accessible health care, education opportunity for children, and enabling women to achieve financial independence. 2. Social Workers' Association Nepal; founded in 2013 to strive for social justice, human rights, and social development through promoting social work education and standard practice of social work model, facilitating cooperation among human service organizations, academic institutions and uniting social workers in Nepal for social, economic, psychological and spiritual welling of deprived and marginalized people.
SWC	Social Welfare Council; responsible for co-ordination, co-operation, mobilisation and promotion of the social organizations and institutions (INGOs and NGOs)
TAAN	Trekking Agencies' Association of Nepal
TDC	Town Development Committee
THMDCN	Trans Himalayan Multi Dimensional Connectivity Network, an economic corridor between Nepal and China and part of China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)
THRDA	Tarai Human Rights Defenders Alliance
THT	The Himalayan Times; one of the leading English language dailies
TIA	Tribhuvan International Airport; Kathmandu's international airport
TIFA	Trade and Investment Framework Agreement; (in this case) an agreement between the USA and Nepal
TIMS	Trekkers Information Management System
TINepal	Transparency International Nepal
TJ	transitional justice
TKP	The Kathmandu Post; one of the leading English language dailies
TMDP	Tarai Madhesh Democratic Party; see TMLP
TMLP	Tarai Madhesh Loktantrik Party (Tarai Madhersh 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 occured during the time of the Maoist insurgency (1996-2006)
TRN	The Rising Nepal; the government owned oldest English language daily
TSC	1. Teachers' Service Commission 2. Tax Settlement Commission
TU	Tribhuvan University; Nepal's oldest university
TUSC	Tribhuvan University Service Commission; to hold competitive examinations and interviews for applicants wishing to enter university service and to recommend the successful candidates for appointment to positions of teaching and administration
TVET	technical and vocational education and training
UCPN-M	Unified Communist Party of Nepal – Maoist; 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 Masheshi Morcha (SLMM)
UGC	University Grants Commission; 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	United Nations Populations Fund, originally named United Nations Fund for Population Activities
UNIPHIN	Union of Professional Health and Care Sector Workers in Nepal. A trade union federation representing care sector workers in Nepal with about 30 hospitals/enterprise-based unions and more than 9,000 members
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
UTHP	Upper Trishuli Hydroelectricity Project
UTKHP	Upper Tamakoshi Hydroelectric Project; 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
VCTS	Vehicle and consignment tracking system; a system to be introduced to control transport operations
VDC	Village Development Committee; means the local administrative unit (village) as well as the correspondingly elected local council
VDPP	Village Development Periodic Plan
VOC	Voice of Children (VOC); a non-government organisation working and advocating for street and sexually abused children of Nepal; established in 2000
VRS	Voluntary Retirement Scheme
WCSD	Women and Children Service Directorate
WECS	Water and Energy Commission Secretariat
WEOCO	Women Environment Preservation Committee; an organisation founded in 1992 for nature protection in the Kathmandu valley
WOREC Nepal	Women's Rehabilitation Center; 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
YIL	Youth Innovation Lab; focused on technology development, disaster risk reduction, climate change, open data, entrepreneurship, data driven advocacy, youth engagement, and volunteerism.