ABBREVIATIONS AND TERMINOLOGIES USED

AFSPA- Armed Forces Special Power Act
ANP- Applied Nutrition Programme
Art- Article in Constitution
ASHA - Accredited Social Health Activities
AWW- Anganwadi Workers
BOS- Beneficiary Oriented Schemes
CD Block- Community Development Block
CAPART-Council for Advancement of Peoples Action and Rural Technology
CBD- Central Business District
CBM- Cooch Behar Municipality
CBT – Cooch Behar Town
CGWB & GSI- Central Ground Water Board
CMBS- Conditional Maternity benefit Scheme
CSSM- Child Survival and Safe Motherhood
CSWB- Central Social Welfare Board
DMSC- Durbar Mahila Samannoy Committee
DPA- Dowry Prohibition Act
DRR- Disaster Risk Reduction
DWCRA-Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas
EDP- Entrepreneurial Development Programme
EDP- Entrepreneurship Development Programme
EWRs - Elected Women Representatives
FWPR - Female Work Participation Rate
GPU - Gram Panchayat Unit
GDI - Gender Development Index
GIS - Geographic Information System
GRC - Gender Resource Centres
HDI - Human Development Index
HSAA - Hindu Succession Amendment Act
HYV - High Yielding Variety
ICAR - Indian Council of Agricultural Research
ICDS - Integrated Child Development Services
IGMSY - Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojana
IMY - Indira Mahila Yojana
INR - Indian Rupee
IRDP - Integrated Rural Development Programme
ITIs - Industrial Training Institutes
JNNURM - Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission
JRY - Jawahar Rozgar Yojana
KVIC - Khadi and Village Industries Commission
LIC - Life Insurance Corporation
LQ - Location Quotient
MAT - Modern Agricultural Technology
MCH - Maternity and Child Health Centres
MGNREGA - Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Gurantee Act
MIS - Monthly Investment Scheme
MMR- Measles, Mumps and Rubella
MoWCD- Ministry of Women and Child Development
MSY- Mahila Samriddhi Yojana
MWPR- Male Work Participation Rate
NAPAs -Nation Adaptation Program of Actions
NBSS & LUP- National Bureau of Soil Survey & Land Use Planning
NCW- Commission for Women
NDVI-Normalized Difference Vegetation Index
NFE- Non Formal Education
NFSB-National Food Security Bill
NGOs- Non Governmental Organization
NH 31- National Highway no. 31
NMBS- Maternity Benefit Scheme
NMEW- National Mission for Empowerment of Women
NNP- National Nutrition Policy
NOAPS- National Old Age Pension Scheme
NREGA- National Rural Employment Guarantee Act
NREP-National Rural Employment Programme
NRHM- National rural Health Mission
NRLM- National Rural Livelihood Mission
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NRY- Nehru Rozgar Yojana
NSSO – National Sample Survey Office
NULM - National Urban Livelihood Mission
OBC A- Other Backward Class (Non Creamy Layer less considered as wealthy and less educated than OBC B)

OBC B- Other Backward Class (Creamy Layer, wealthier than OBC A)

PS- Police Station

PCA- Principal Component Analysis

PC-PNDT - Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Technique Act

PLHIV- People Living with HIV

PMGY- Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana

PMIUPGP- Prime Minister’s Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme

PMRY- *Prime Minister’s Rozgar Yojana*

POW- Progressive Organization of Women

PQLI- Physical Quality of Life Index

PWDVA- Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act

RCH- Reproductive and Child Health

RFUs - First Referral Units

RGGVY- *Rajiv Gandhi Gramin Vidyutikaran Yojana*

RLEGP- Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme

RMK - *Rashtiya Mahila Kosh*

SC- Scheduled Caste

SEWA- Self Employed Women’s Association

SGSY- *Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana*

SHGs- Self Help Groups

SJSRY- *Swarna Jayanti Shahri Rojgar Yojana*

SRSWOR- Simple Random Sampling without Replacement
SSA- Sarva Siksha Abhiyan
SSH- Short Stay Home
ST- Scheduled Tribe
STEP- Support to Training and Employment Programmes for Women
TEPC- Training cum Employment cum Production Centres
TLC- Total Literacy Campaign
TRYSEM- Training for Rural Youth for Self Employment
U.S- United States America
UBSP- Urban Basic Services for the Poor
UDC- Upper Division Clerk
UIP-Universal Immunization Programme
UN- United Nations
VAW- Violence Against Women
WBCS -West Bengal Civil Service
WCP- Women Component Plan
WDC- Women Development Corporations
WDCs -Women Development Corporations
WDP- Women’s Dairy Project
WPR- Work Participation Rate