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ABBREVIATIONS

ACT	Affected Citizens of Teesta
ANT	Actor-Network Theory
APNED	Asia Pacific Network for Environment Defender
ATREE	Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and Environment
AYIPN	Asian Young Indigenous People's Network
CBO	Community-Based Organizations
CCS	Concerned Citizens of Sikkim
CFCs	Community Forestry Groups
CISMHE	Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies of Mountain and Hill Environment
CLOS	Concerned Lepchas of Sikkim
CSE	Centre for Science and Environment
CPA	Cordillera People's Alliance Network
ECOSS	Ecotourism and Conservation Society of Sikkim
EDC	Eco-Development Committees
EIA	Environment Impact Assessment
EJM	Environmental Justice Movement
EMP	Environment Management Plan
ENGOS	Environmental Non-Government Organizations
ESI	Environmental Sustainability Index

EVS	Environmental Science
FEWMD	Forest Environment and Wildlife Management Department
FFM	Five-Factor Model
FPE	Feminist Political Ecology
GDI	Gross Development Index
GEF	Global Environment Fund
GHGs	Green House Gases
HDI	Human Development Index
HEP	Hydro-electric power
HSAF	Hydropower Sustainability Assessment Forum
ICDO	Integrated Construction and Development Project
ICT	Information Communications Technology
IHA	International Hydropower Association
IK	Indigenous Knowledge
ILTA	Indigenous Lepcha Tribal Association
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IMPSDL	International Indigenous People's Movement for Self-Determination and Liberation
IOM	International Organization for Migration
IP	Indigenous People
IRN	International Rivers Network
ITK	Indigenous Technical Knowledge
IUCN	International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources
JFM	Joint Forest Management
JAC	Joint Action Committee

KBR	Kanchenjunga Biosphere Reserve
KCC	Khangchendzonga Conservation Committee
KNP	Khangchendzonga National Park
KTBCL	Kanchenjunga Trans-Boundary Conservation Landscape
LEK	Local Ecological Knowledge
LIFE	Legal Initiative for Forest and Environment
MDGs	Millennium Development Goals
MFP	Minor Forest Products
MLAS	Mutanchi Lomaal Shizum
MOA	Memoranda of Agreement
MOU	Memoranda of Understanding
NEG	New Environmental Governance
NEIP	Neighborhood Environment Improvement Plan
NGC	National Green Corps
NGOs	Non-Government Organizations
NSA	Non-state actors
NSM	New Social Movements
PE	Political Ecology
PH	Public Hearing
RM	Resource Mobilization
RMT	Resource Mobilization Theory
SANDRP	South-Asian Network on Dams, Rivers, and People
SDF	Sikkim Democratic Front
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
SES	Socio-Ecological System

SFDA	Sikkim Forestry Development Agency
SHGs	Self Help Groups
SIA	Social Impact Assessment
SIBLAC	Sikkim Bhutia Lepcha Apex Committee
SILTA	Sikkim Indigenous Lepcha Tribal Association
SKM	Sikkim Krantikari Morcha
SLYA	Sikkim Lepcha Youth Association
SMOs	Social Movement Organizations
SMRF	Save Mon Region Federation
SOD	Sangha of Dzongu
SPSS	Sikkim Paryavaran Sanrakshan Sangh
TEK	Traditional Ecological Knowledge
UHC	Universal Health Coverage
UN	United Nations
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNESCO	United National Economic Social Cultural Organization
WAVE	Women as the Voice for the Environment
WB	World Bank
WCED	World Commission on Environment and Development
WCS	World Conservation Strategy
WG	Working Group
WID	Women in Development
WTO	World Trade Organization

