

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THE THESIS

ADB:	Asian Development Bank
ADB:	Autonomous District Board
ADC:	Autonomous District Council
ADM:	Additional District Magistrate
AP:	Anchal Panchayat
APL:	Above Poverty Line
ARWSP:	Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme
ATR:	Action Taken Report
BCR:	Balance from Current Revenue
BDO:	Block Development Officer
BL & LRO:	Block Land and Land Revenue Officer
BPC:	Block Planning Committee
BPL:	Below Poverty Line
BRGF:	Backward Regions Grant Fund
C & AG:	Comptroller and Auditor General
CAGR:	Compound Annual Growth Rate
CCPPRI:	Committee for the Concept Paper on Panchayati Raj Institution
CDP:	Community Development Programme
CEO:	Chief Executive Officer
CMIE:	Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy
CRSP:	Central Rural Sanitation Programme
CS:	Core Service
DA:	Dearness Allowance
DDC:	District Development Commissioner
DDP:	Desert Development Programme
DGHC:	Darjeeling Gorkha Hill Council
DM:	District Magistrate
DPAP:	Drought Prone Areas Programme
DPC:	District Planning Committee

DPCC:	District Planning and Co-Ordination Council
DPS:	District Plan Scheme
DRDA:	District Rural Development Agency
DRDC:	District Rural Development Cell
DS:	Development Schemes
DWSM:	District Water and Sanitation Missions
EAS:	Employment Assurance Scheme
EC:	Establishment Cost
EFC:	Eleventh Finance Commission
EG:	Establishment Grants
EOP:	Extension Officer Panchayat
FTA:	Fund Transfer Account
FWP:	Food for Work Programme
GGDS:	Government Grants for Development Schemes
GOI:	Government of India
GP:	Gram Panchayat
GSDP:	Gross State Domestic Product
IAS:	Indian Administrative Service
IAY:	Indira Awaas Yojana
ICDS:	Integrated Child Development Scheme
IGNOAPS:	Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme
IIPA:	Indian Institute of Public Administration
IRDP:	Integrated Rural Development Programme
IWDP:	Integrated Wasteland Development Programme
JGSY:	Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana.
JRY:	Jawahar Rozgar Yojana
KM:	Kilo Metre
L & LR:	Land and Land Revenue
LSG:	Local Self-Government
MGNREGA:	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act
MLA:	Member of Legislative Assembly

MLC:	Member of Legislative Council
MP:	Member of Parliament
MRD:	Ministry of Rural Development
MSK:	Madhyamik Siksha Karmasuchi
MT:	Metric Tone
MWS:	Millions Wells Scheme
NABARD:	National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development
NB:	Nota Bene (Note Well)
NBU:	North Bengal University
NES:	National Extension Service
NFBS:	National Family Benefit Scheme
NIPFP:	National Institute of Public Finance and Policy
NIRD:	National Institute of Rural Development
NOAPS:	National Old Age Pension Scheme
NREGA:	National Rural Employment Guarantee Act
NREGS:	National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme
NREP:	National Rural Employment Programme
OB:	Opening Balance
OBC:	Others Backward Class
OG:	Other Grants
OMB:	Open Market Borrowings
OME:	Other Miscellaneous Expenditure
OR:	Own Resources
OSR:	Own Source Revenue
P & RD:	Panchayat and Rural Development
PDS:	Public Distribution System
PHC:	Primary Health Centre
PHE:	Public Health Engineering
PHED:	Public Health Engineering Department
PIA:	Project Implementation Agency
PMGSY:	Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana

PR:	Panchayati Raj
PRA:	Participatory Rural Appraisal
PRI:	Panchayati Raj Institution
PS:	Panchayat Samiti
PWL:	Permanent Wait List
RDD:	Rural Development Department
RLEGP:	Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme
RWS:	Rural Water Supply
RWS:	Rural Well Scheme
SC:	Schedule Caste
SDP:	State Domestic Product
SFC:	State Finance Commission
SGRY:	Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana
SGSY:	Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana
SHG:	Self-Help Group
SIPRD:	State Institute of Panchayats and Rural Development
SMP:	Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad
SPB:	State Planning Board
SSA:	Sarbo Siksha Abhijan
SSK:	Sishu Siksha Karmasuchi
ST:	Schedule Tribe
TA:	Travelling Allowance
TFC:	Twelfth Finance Commission
TLC:	Total Literacy Campaign
TSC:	Total Sanitation Campaign
UK:	United Kingdom
USA:	United States of America
VP:	Village Panchayat
WBSEB:	West Bengal State Electricity Board
WO:	Work Order
ZP:	Zilla Parishad