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List of Abbreviations

ADB	Asian Development Bank
APEC	Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation
ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations
BIMSTEC	Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical & Economic Co-operation
BUMSTEC	Bangladesh India Myanmar Sri Lanka Thailand Economic Co-operation
CAREC	Central Asia Regional Economic Co-operation
CARICOM	Caribbean Community and Common Market
CHT	Chittagong Hill Tracts
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas
CPD	Centre for Policy Dialogue
EEU	European Economic Union
EU	European Union
FCI	Food Corporation of India
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FSI	Failed State Index
FTA	Free Trade Agreement
GAIL	Gas Authority of India Ltd
GATT	General Agreement on Tariff and Trade
GBM	Ganges-Brahmaputra-Meghna
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GNP	Gross National Product
GTCL	Gas Transmission Company Limited
HSBC	Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation
HTI	High-Technology-Intensive

IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency
IBM	International Business Machines
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IORARC	Indian Origin Rim Association for Regional Co-operation
ISLFTA	India Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement
IT	Information Technology
JICA	Japan International Co-operation Agency
JITCO	Japan International Training Corporation Organisation
KTI	Knowledge Trade Initiative
LCS	Land Customs Stations
LDC	Least Developed Countries
LDM	Least Developed Members
LNG	Liquefied Natural Gas
MFN	Most Favoured Nations
MMSCMD	Million Standard Cubic Meter Per Day
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MTI	Medium-Technology-Intensive
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organisation
NEI	North East India
NELP	New Exploration Licensing Policy
NLDM	Non-Least Developed Members
NSG	Nuclear Supplier's Group
OIC	Organisation Islamic Conference
ONGC	Oil & Natural Gas Corporation
PARTA	Pacific Regional Trade Association
PPI	Progressive Policy Institute
PPP	Purchasing Power Parity
PRC	Peoples Republic of China
PSA	Production Sharing Arrangements
R&D	Research & Development
RCD	Regional Co-operation for Development
RIS	Research & Information System

RMG	Readymade Garments
ROO	Rules of Origin
ROW	Rest of World
RTA	Rational Trade Agreement
SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation
SACEPS	South Asian Co-operative Environmental Programme
SAFTA	South Asian Free Trade Agreement
SAGQ	South Asia Growth Quadrangle
SAPTA	South Asian Preferential Trade Agreement
SDF	SAARC Development Fund
SME	Small and Medium Enterprises
SPS	Sanitary and Phytosanitary
TRIMS	Trade Related Investment Matters
TRQ	Tariff Rate Quota
UK	United Kingdom
UN	United Nations
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNO	United Nations Organisation
US	United States
USA	United States of America
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
USIBC	US & India Business Council
WAPDA	Water and Power Development Authority
WMD	Weapons of Mass Destruction
WTO	World Trade Organisation