

# Abbreviations

## 'A' related:

AD : Anno Domini.

AAA : Amatuer Athletic Association.

AAPSO : Afro-Asian Peoples 'Solidarity Organisation.

AAP : Australian Associated Press.

ABM : Anti-Ballastic Missile.

ACA : African Cricket Association.

ACA : Americas Cricket Association.

ACC : Asian Cricket Council.

ACD : ASia Cooperation Dialogue.

ACS : Association of Caribbean States.

ADB : Asian Development Bank.

ADB : AFrican Development Bank.

ADF : Asian Development Fund.

ABC : Atomic Energy Commission.

AECL : Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd.

AER : Assembly of European Regions.

AFC : Asian Football Confederation.

AFESD : Agrab Fund for Economic and Social Development.

AFP : Agence France-Presse (Agency France Press).

AFRE : Armed Force Revolutionary Council.

AFTA : ASEAN Free Trade Area.

AGSOC : Asian Games special Organizing Committee.

AI : Amnestly International.

AIBA : American Internaitonal Boxing Association.

AIBD : Asian Institute of Broadcasting Development.

AID (US) : Agency for International Development.

AIDAB : Australian International Development Assistance Bureau.

AIDS : Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.  
AIP : Afganistan Islamic Press.  
AIR : All India Radio.  
AISSF : All India Shik Students Federation.  
AIT : Asian Institute of Technology.  
AITIC : Agency for International Trade Information and Cooperation.  
AJKMC : All Jammu Kashmir Muslim Conference.  
ANZUS : Australia, New zeland and United States Defence Pact.  
APB : All Points Bulletin.  
APEC : Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation.  
API : AIDS Programme Effort Index.  
APP : Associated Press of Pakistan.  
AP : Associated Press.  
ARF : ASEAN Regional Forum.  
ARP : Air Raid Protection.  
ART : Anti-REtroviral Therapy.  
ARV : Anti-Retroviral Vaccine.  
ASAT : Anti-Satellite.  
ASC : African Socialist Council.  
ALICO : American Life Insurance Company.  
AM : Ante Meridiem.  
AM : Amplitude Modulation.  
AMF : Arab Monetary Fund.  
AMIE : Associate Member of the Institute of Engineers.  
AMU : Arab Maghreb Union.  
ANC : African National Congress.  
ANN : Asian News Network.  
ASEAN : Association of South East Asian Nations.  
ASEM : Asia Europe Summit Meeting.  
ASPAC : Asian and Pacific Council.  
ATS : Anti Tetanus Serum.  
AU : African Union.  
AUCCTU : All Union Central Council for Trade Union.

## 'B' related:

BGB : Border Gard Bangladesh.

BBC : British Broadcasting Corporation.

BCCI : Board of Control for Cricket in India.

BCG : Bacillus Calmette Guerin [Tuberculosis Vaccine].

BD : Bachelor of Divinity.

BDS : Bachelor of Dental Surgery.

B.Mus : Bachelor of Music.

B.Pharm : Bachelor of Pharmacy.

BIC : British-Irish Council.

BIMSTEC : Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation.

BIS : Bank for International Settlements.

BL : Bachelor of Law.

BLEU : Belgium-Luxembourg Economic Union.

BMEPC : Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission.

BP : British Petroleum.

BSEC : Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation.

BSF : Border Security Force.

BSS : Behavioural Surveillance Survey.

BSTDB : Black Sea Trade and Development Bank.

BVM : Blessed Virgin Mary.

## 'C' related:

CNN : Cable News Network.

CIRDAP : Centre of Integrated Rural Development for Asia and the Pacific.

CISCO : Council for Islamic Socio-Cultural Organisation.

CIS : Commonwealth of Independent States.

CMAG : Commonwealth Ministerial Action Group.

CMEA : Council for Mutual Economic Assistance.

CMN : Common Market Nations.

CNA : Central News Agency.

CO : Commanding Officer.

CA : Chartered Accountant.

CABEI : Central American Bank for Economic Integration.

CABI : Centre for Agricultural and Biosciences International.

CACO : Central Asian Cooperation Organization.

CAF : Confederation of African Football.

CAIS : Central American Integration System.

CAP : Central American Parliament.

CARE : Cooperative for Assistance and Relief Everywhere.

CARICOM : Caribbean Community.

CARP : Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Programme.

CBD : Convention of Biological Diversity.

CBI : Central Bureau of Investigation.

CBO : Community Based Organisation.

CCNR : Central Commission for Navigation on the Rhine.

CDB : Christian Development Bank.

CDU : Christian Democratic Union.

CE : Civil Engineer.

C-in-C : Commander-in-Chief.

CEB : Central Electoral Bureau.

CEC : Committee for Economic Co-operation.

CECRI : Central Electro-Chemical Research Institute.

CENTO : Central Treaty Organisation.

CETC : Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation.

CFC : Common Fund for Commodities.

CFE : Conventional Force in Europe.

CGFRA : Commission of Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture.

CGIAR : Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research.

CH : Companion of Honour.

CHEC : Commonwealth Human Economic Council.

CIAT : International Center for Tropical Agriculture.

CIA : Central Intelligence Agency.

CID : Criminal Investigation Department.

CIDA : Canadian International Development Agency.

CIDD : Central of Iodine Deficiency Disorders.

CIFOR : Center for International Forestry Research.  
CIP : International Potato Center. (Centro Internacional de la Papa)  
COBOL : Common Business Oriented Language.  
COE : Council of Europe.  
CP : Colombo Plan.  
CRIS : Country Response Information System.  
CRI : China Radio International.  
CRPF : Central Reserve Police Force.  
CSCE : Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe.  
CSE : Certificate of Secondary Education.  
CSIR : Council of Scientific and Industrial rEsearch.  
CSIRO : Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation.  
CSO : Central Statistical Organisation.  
CSS : Central Statistical Service.  
CSTO : Collective Security Treaty Organisation.  
CSUP : Communist Socialist Unity Party.  
CTBT : Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty.  
CV : Curriculum Vitae.

## ‘D’ related:

DNA : De-oxyribonucleic Acid.  
DNC : Department at Narcotics Control.  
DNCC : Development and Media Consultancy Centre.  
DOC : Declaration of Commitment.  
D.Lit : Doctor of Literature.  
D.Sc. : Doctor of Science.  
DAC : Development Assistance Committee.  
DANIDA : Danish International Development Agency.  
DCL : Doctor of Divinity.  
DFID : Department for International Development.  
DG : Director General.  
DHA : Department Humanitarian Affairs.  
DLO : Dead Letter Office.

DOHE : Defence Officer's Housing Estate.

DPI : Doctor of Public Instruction.

DRDO : Defence Research and Development Organisation.

DV : Diversity Visa.

## 'E' related:

EACC : East Asia-Pacific Cricket Council.

EACSO : East-African Common Services Organisation.

EAC : East Asian Community.

ECA : European Cricket Council.

ECC : Economic Commission for Europe.

ECG : Electro Cardio Gram.

ECLA : Economic Commission for Latin America.

ECLAC : Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.

ECM : European Common Market.

ECO : Economic Co-operation Organisation.

ECOSOC : Economic and Social Council

ECOWAS : Economic Community of West African States.

ECO : Economic Cooperation Organisation.

ECSC : European Coal and Steal Community.

EADB : East African Development Bank.

EAEC : European Atomic Energy Community.

EAEG : East Asian Economic Group.

EAS : East Asian Summit.

EBRD : European Bank for REconstruction and Development.

EC : European Community.

EC : European Commission.

ECA : Economic Commission for Africa.

ECAFE : Economic Commission for ASia and Far-East.

ECT : Electro Compulsive Therapy.

ECUs : European Crrency Units.

EDP : Electronic Data Processing.

EEC : Eurasian Economic Community.  
EFTA : European Free Trade Association.  
EIB : European Investment Bank.  
ESAF : Extended Structural Adjustment Facility.  
ESA : European Space Agency.  
ESCAP : Economic and Social Commission for Western Aisa.  
ESF : European Science Foundation.  
ESO : European Southern Observatory.  
ESP : Extra Sensory Perception.  
ESRO : European Space Research Organisation.  
EU : European Union.  
EMCC : Energy Monitoring and Conservation Center.  
EMS : Enhanced Messaging Service.  
EP : European Parliament.  
EPLF : Erithrian People Liberation Front.  
EPO : European Patent Organisation.  
EPRDF : Ethiopian People Revolutionary Development Front.

## ‘F’ related:

FIFA : Federation de Internaitonal Football Association.  
FRCS : Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons.  
FA : Football Association.  
FADNAP : Fertilizer Advisory Development and Information Natwork for Asia and the Pacific.  
FAOUN : Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations.  
FAO : Food and Agriculture Organisation of United Nations.  
FAPE : Fund for Association to Private Education.  
FBA : Fellow of British Academy.  
FBI : Federal Bureau of Investigation.  
FCBS : Fellow of the College of Physicians and Surgeons.  
FHI : Family Health International.  
FM : Frequency Modulation.

FRC : Fatah Revolutionary Council.

FRS : Fellow of the Royal Society.

## ‘G’ related:

GMT : Greenwich Mean Time.

GNLF : Gurkha National Liberation Front.

GOC : General Officer Commanding.

GA : General Assembly.

GATT : General Agreement of Tariffs and Trade.

GB : Great Britain.

GCC : Gulf Cooperation Council.

GCE : General Certificate of Education.

GDI : Gross Domestic Income. GEC : General Electric Company.

3GPP : 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Partnership Project.

GEMS : Global Environment Monitoring System.

GFATM : Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria. GPO : General Post Office.

GPRS : General Packet Radio Service.

GRID : Global Resources Information Database. GSM : Global System for Mobile Communications.

GSTP : Global System of Trade Practice.

GUPS : General Union of Palestine Students.

## ‘H’ related:

HIV : Human Immunodeficiency Virus.

HMV : His Master's Voice.

HSC : Higher Secondary Certificate.

HYV : High Yielding Varieties.

HCF : Highest Common Factor.

HDC : Human Development Center.

HDI : Human Development Index.

HDL : High Density Lipoprotein.

HE : His Excellency.



HES : Health Expenditures Survey.

HR : House of Representatives.

HRH : His/Her Royal Highness.

## ‘I’ related:

IAAF : International Amateur Athletics Federation.

IADB : Inter-American Development Bank.

IAEA : International Atomic Energy Agency.

ICC : International Cricket Committee.

- : International Conference Centre.

- : International Commission on Civil Status.

- : International Chamber of Commerce.

- : International Computing Centre.

- : International Control Commission.

- : International Cricket Council.

- : International Criminal Court.

IMO : International Maritime Organization.

- : International Mathematical Olympiad.

- : International Meteorological Organization.

INSTRAW : International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women.

IAAF : International Association of Athletics Federations.

INTERPOL : International Police Organization.

IOC : Indian Ocean Commission.

- : International Olympic Committee.

IAF : Indian Air Force.

IASTT : Institute for Advancement Science and Technology Teaching.

IATA : International Air Transport Association.

IATA : International Air Transport Authority.

IBA : Institute of Business Administration.

IBEC : International Bank for Economic Co-operation.

IBRF : Indo-Burma Revolutionary Front.

ICAO : International Civil Aviation Organization.

ICARDA : International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas.

ICBM : Inter-Continental Ballistic Missile.

ICDDR,B : International Centre for Diarrhoeal Diseases Research, Bangladesh.

ICDL : International Campaign to Ban Landmines.

ICD : International Classification of Diseases.

ICFM : Islamic Conference of Foreign Minister.

ICI : Imperial Chemical Industries.

ICJ : International Court of Justice.

ICMR : Indian Council of Medical Research.

ICRC : International Committee of Red cross.

ICRTV : International Confederation of Free Trade Union.

ICSID : International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes.

ICTR : Internaitonal Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.

ICTY : International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia.

IDA : International Development Association.

IDA : International Development Authority.

IDB : Islamic Development Bank.

IDU : Injecting Drug Users.

IFAD : International Fund for Agricultural Development.

IFC : International Finance Corporation.

IFPRI : International Food Policy Research Institute.

IFTU : International Federation of Trade Unions.

IGAD : Intergovernmental Authority on Development.

IGEG : Inter Government Export Group.

ITT : Islamic Institute of Technology.

ISI : Inter-Services Intelligence.

ISPSP : International States Parliment for Safety and Peace.

ISS : International Space Station.

ITA : Information & Technology Agreement.

ITCB : International Textile and Clothing Bureau.

ITC : International Trade Centre.

ITDG : International Technology Development Group.

ITO : International Tele-communication Organization.

ITU : International Telecommunication Union.

IWMI : International Water Management Institute.

IITA : Internaitonal Institute of Tropical Agriculture.

IJC : International Jute Corporation.  
ILO : International Labour Organization.  
ILRI : International Livestock Research Institute.  
IMCO : Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organisation.  
IMED : Implementation Monitoring and Evaluation Division.  
IMF : International Monetary Fund.  
IOJ : International Organisation of Journalists.  
IOM : International Organization for Migration.  
IOR-ARC : Indian Ocean Rim Association for Regional Cooperation.  
IORRC : Indian Ocean Regional Corporation.  
IPCC : Inter Governmental Panel on Climate Change.  
IPUC : International Parliamentary Union Conference.  
IRA : Irish Republican Army.  
IRBM : International Range Ballistic Missile.  
IRDB : Integrated Rural Development Board.  
IRD P : Integrated Rural Development Programme.  
IRRI : International Rice Research Institute.  
ISBA : International Sea-Bed Authority.  
ISDN : Integrated Services Digital Network.  
ISEEE : Institute of Soviet and East European Economics.

## ‘J’ related:

JICA : Japan International Cooperation Agency.  
JKLF : Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front.  
JC : Jesus Christ.  
JCO : Junior Commissioned Officer.  
JETRO : Japanese External Trade Organization.  
JP : Justice of the Peace.

## ‘K’ related:

KANU : Kenya African National Union.  
KWP : Kurdistan Worker’s Party.

KDP : Kurdistan Democratic Party.

KEMRI : Kenya Medical Reserch Institute.

KGB : Komitet Gosudarstvennoy Bezpoasnosti.

## ‘L’ related:

LA : Legislative Assembly.

LDP : Liberal Democratic Party.

LEGCO : Legislative Council.

LFO : Legal Frame Work Order.

LGEB : Local Government Engineering Bureau.

LLB : Bachelor of Law.

LASER : Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation.

LCM : Least Common Multiple.

LDCs : Least Development Countries.

LDL : Low Density Lipoprotein.

LMF : Licenciante of the Medical Faculty.

LMG : Light Machine Gun.

LMT : Local Mean Time.

LST : Local Standard Time.

LTTE : Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.

## ‘M’ related:

MMS : Multimedia Messaging Service.

MNLF : Middle National Liberation Front.

MO : Mail Order.

MP : Member of Parliament.

MPhar : Master of Pharmacy.

ME : Monitoring and Evaluation.

MA : Master of Arts.

MAPA : Manila Action Plan.

MASER : Microwave Amplification by Stimulated Emmission of Radiation.

MBBS : Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery.

MCA : Malaysian Chinese Association.

MCDU : Member of the Christian Democate Union.

MEd : Master of Education.  
MEES : Middle East Economic Survey.  
MEI : Member of Engineering Institute.  
MFN : Most Favoured Nation.  
MIDAS : Missile Defence Alarm System.  
MIGA : Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency.  
MISO : Maintains of Internal Security Order.  
MLit : Master of Literature.  
MPLA : Population Movement for the Liberation for Angola.  
MQM : Mohajir Qaumi Movement.  
MRAS : Member of Royal Asiatic Society.  
MRBM : Medium Range Ballistic Missile.  
MRCP : Member of Royal College of Physicians.  
MRCS : Member of Royal College of Surgery.  
MRD : Movement for the Restoration of Democracy.  
MRTA : Tupak Amaru Revolutionary Movement.  
MSc : Master of Science.  
MV : Motor Vessel.

## ‘N’ related:

NGO : Non-Government Organisation.  
NIAS : Nordic Institute of Asian Studies.  
NA : National Assembly.  
NAC : Non-Aligned Committee.  
NAC : National AIDS Committee.  
NAFTA : North American Free Trade Agreement.  
NAM : Non-Aligned Movement.  
NANAP : Non-Aligned News Agencies Pool.  
NAP : New Aspiration Party.  
NASP : National AIDS/STD Programme.  
NATO : North Atlantic Treaty Organization.  
NAU : North American Union.  
NB : Nota Bene.  
NNN : Nippon News Network.

NNPT : Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.  
NP : Notaryh Public.  
NPA : New Peoples Army.  
NPC : National Petro Chemical Corporation.  
NPF : National Patriotic Front.  
NSCN : National Socialist Council of Nagaland.  
NYT : New York Time.  
NCC : National Cadet Corps.  
NCO : Non Commissioned Officer.  
NC : Nordic Council.  
NDF : Noridc Development Fund.  
NDI : National Democratic Institute.  
NDIIA : National Democratic Institute for International Affairs.  
NEC : North Economic Council.  
NEFA : North Eastern Frontier Agency.  
NGFF : Natural Gas Fertilizer Factory.  
NIB : Nordic Investment Bank.  
NMA : Nepal Medical Association.  
NNI : Net National Income.  
NNN : NAM News Network.

## ‘O’ related:

OAPEC : Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries.  
O-Level : Ordinary Level.  
OAP : Old Age Pensioner.  
OAPNA : Organization of Asian Pacific News Agency.  
OAS : Organization of American States.  
OAU : Organization of African Untiy.  
OCR : Ordinary Capital Resources.  
OPEC : Organization of Petroleum-Exporting Countries.  
OSCE : Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe.  
OECD : Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development.  
OECF : Oversease Economic Co-operation.

OECS : Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States.  
OEEC : Organization of European Economic Co-operation.  
OFC : Oceania Football Confederation.  
OIC : Organization of Islamic Conference.  
OPA : Official Development Assistance.  
OPCW : Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons.

**'P' related:**

PPP : Pakistan Peoples Party.  
      : Public Private Partnership  
PIF : Pacific Islands Forum.  
PA : Personal Assistant Press Association.  
PABX : Private Automatic Branch Exchange [for Telephone].  
PAEC : Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission.  
PC : Personal Computer.  
PCB : Pakistan Cricket Board.  
PDF : Pakistan Defence Force.  
PEN : Poets, Essayists, Novelists (International Association of Writers).  
PFLPGC : Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command.  
PFLT : People's Front of the Liberation Tiger's.  
PG : Post Graduate.  
PSTN : Public Switched Telephone Network.  
PTA : Pre-paid Travel Arrangement.  
PTO : Please Turn Over.  
PUCL : People Union for Civil Liberties.  
PUK : Patriotic Union of Kurdistan.  
PWD : Public Works Department.  
PGM : Post Master General.  
PhD : Doctor of Philosophy.  
PHED : Public Health Engineering Department.  
PIA : Pakistan International Airlines.  
PINSTECH : Pakistan Institute of Nuclear Science and Technology.  
PLHIV : People Living with HIV and AIDS.

PLO : Palestine Liberation Organization.

PLOTE : Peoples Liberation Organization for Tamil Eelam.

PM : Prime Minister.

PNA : Pakistan National Assembly.

PNC : Palestine National Council.

PNCB : Pakistan Narkotics Control Board.

PODO : Public Office Discoalification Ordinance.

POW : Prisoners of War.

PP : Public Prosecutor.

PR : Public Relations.

PRO : Public Relation Officer.

PST : Pacific Standard Time.

## ‘Q’ related:

QMG : Quarter Master General.

QC : Queen’s Council.

## ‘R’ related:

RA : Royal Academy.

RADA : Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts.

RADAR : Radio Detection and Ranging.

RAF : Royal Air Force.

RMS : Railway Mail Service.

RN : Royal Navy.

R&D : Research and Development.

RSPCA : Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

RUF : Revolutionary United Front.

RAM : Royal Academy of Music.

RAW : Research and Analysis Wing.

RBA : REproductive Biology Associates.

RCC : Revolutionary Command Council.

RCD : Regional Co-operation for Development.



RCM : Royal College of Music.

RDC : Research and Development Centre.

RDRA : Regional Director of the Railway Administration.

RFSA : Russian Federal Space Agency.

RG : Rio Group.

RM : Royal Marines.

## ‘S’ related:

SAARC : South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation.

SADC : Southern African Development Community.

SAF : Structural Adjustment Facility.

SAFTA : South Asian Free Trade Area.

SAIC : SAARC Agricultural Information Centre.

SALT : Strategic Arms Limitation Talks.

SAM : Social Accounting Group.

SPCA : Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

SPCC : Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

SPO : Special Police Officer.

SPREP : Pacific Regional Environment Programme.

SRG : Study and Research Group.

SRO : Standing Revenue Order.

START : Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty.

STC : SAARC Tuberculosis Centre.

SANA : South Asian News Agency.

SAPO : South African Peoples Organization.

SAPTA : SAARC Preferential Trading Arrangement.

SAYE : Save as You Earn.

SCC : SAARC Cultural Centre.

SCITI : Small and Cottage Industries Training Institute.

SCO : Shanghai Cooperation Organization.

SCZMC : SAARC Coastal Zone Management Centre.

SDC : SAARC Documentation Centre.

SDI : Strategic Defence Initiative.

SDMC : SAARC disaster Management Centre.  
SDR : Special Drawing Right.  
SEAC : South East Asia Command.  
SEADO : South East Asian Defence Organization.  
SEATO : South East Asian Treaty Organization.  
SEC : SAARC Energy Centre.  
SF : Science Fiction.  
SFOR : Sustainment Force.  
SHAEF : Supreme Headquarters of the Allied Expeditionary Force.  
SHAPE : Supreme Headquarters of Allied Powers in Europe.  
SHRDC : SAARC Human Resources Development Centre.  
SICC : Singapore Internaitonal Chamber of Commerce.  
SICOFAA : Cooperation System of the American Air Forces.  
SIC : SAARC Information Centre.  
SID : Society for International Development.  
SIDA : Swedish International Development Agency.  
SIGG : SAARC's Inter-Government Group.  
SIM : Subscriber Identity Module.  
SIS : Secret Intelligence Service.  
SLORC : State Law and Order Restoration Council.  
SMPP : Short Message Peero-to-peer protocol.  
SMRC : SAARC Meteorological Research Centre.  
SMS : Short Message Service.  
SNPA : Specialised New Programme of Action.  
SODAC : Society for Development and Co-operation.  
SOE : State Owned Enterprises.  
SOFO : State of the Worlds Forest.  
SOS : Save Our Souls.

## ‘T’ related:

TA : Travelling Allowance.

TI : Transparency International.

TNA : Tamil National Army.

TNT : Tri-Nitro Toluene.

TOMS : Total Ozone Mapping Spectrometre.

TPCN : Trade Promotion Centre of Nepal.

TPLF : Tigarian Peoples Liberation Front.

TWA : Trans World Airlines.

## ‘U’ related:

UNICEF : United Nations Children’s Fund.

UCEP : Unprivileged Children’s Educational Programme. UDHR : Universal Declaration of Fuman Rights.

UDI : Unilateral Declaration of Independence.

UEFA : Union of European Football Associations.

UEMOA : West African Economic and Monetary Union.

UFO : Unidentified Flying Object.

UHF : Ultra High Frequency.

UIE : UNESCO’s I\*nstitute for Education.

UK : United Kingdom.

ULFA : United Liberation Revolutionary Union.

UN : United Nations.

UN-HABITAT : United Nations Human Settlements Programme.

UN-INSTRAW : United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women.

USA : United States of America.

USAID : United State of America International Development.

: United States Agency for International Development.

USAN : Union of South American Nations.

USIS : United States Information Service.

USSR : Union of Soviet Socialist Republic.

UNAB : United Nations Association of Bangladesh.

UNAIDS : Joint United Nations Program of HIV/ AIDS.

UNAMIC : United Nations Advance Mission in Combodia.

UNAT : United Nations Administrative Tribunal.

UNCCD : United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification.

UNCDF : United Nations Capital Development Fund.

UNCED : United Nations Conference on Environment and Development.

UNCHS : United Nations Centre for Human Settlements.

UNCIP : United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan.

UNCTRAL : United Nations Commission on International Trade Law.

UNCLOS : United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea.

UNCNRSE : United Nations Conference for New and Renewable Source of Energy.

UNCOD : United Nations Conference on Desertification.

UNCST : United Nations Conference on Science and Technology.

UNCTAD : United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.

UNDCP : United Nations Drug Control Programme.

UNDEF : United Nations Democracy Fund.

UAE : United Arab Emirates.

UANC : United African National Council.

UAR : United Arab Republic.

UCC : United Carbide Corporation.

UNDOF : United Nations Disengagement Observer Force.

UNDP : United Nations Development Programme.

UNDRO : United Nations Disaster Relief Organization.

UNEDA : United Nations Economic and Development Administration.

UNEDC : United Nations Economic and Development Commission.

UNEF : United Nations Emergency Force.

UNESCAP : United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific.

UNESCO : United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

UNFCCC : United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

UNFIP : United Nations Fund for International Partnerships.

UNFPA : United Nations Population Fund.

UNGA : United Nations General Assembly.

UNGASS : United Nations General Assembly Special Session.

UNHCR : United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

UNIC : United Nations Information Centre.

UNICRI : United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute.

UNIDIR : United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research.

UNIDO : United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

UNIFEMA : United Nations International Development Fund for Women.

UNIFEM : United Nations Development Fund for Women.

UNIFIL : United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.  
UNIKOM : United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission.  
UNIMOG : United Nations International Military Observation Group.  
UNISPACE : United Nations Conference of Peaceful Uses of Space.  
UNITA : National Union for the Total Independence of Angola.  
UNITAR : United Nations Institute for Training and Research.  
UNITC : United Nations International Trade Centre.  
UNLA : Uganda's National Liberation Army.  
UNMOGIP : United Nations Military Observation Group in India-Pakistan.  
UNOPS : United Nations Office for Project Services.  
UNRISD : United Nations Research Institute for Social Development.  
UNRRA : United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.  
UNRWA : United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.  
UNSC : United Nations Security Council.  
UNSSC : United Nations System Staff College.  
UNTAC : United Nations Industrial Development Organization.  
UNTAG : United Nations transition Assistance Group.  
UNTC : United Nations Treaty Collection.  
UNTSO : United Nations Trans Supervision Organization.  
UNU : United Nations University.  
UNV : United Nations Volunteers.  
UNWCED : United Nations World Commission on Environment and Development.  
UOTC : University Officers Training Corps  
UPI : United Press International.  
UPU : Universal Postal Union.

## ‘V’ related:

VCT : Voluntary Counselling and Testing.  
VD : Venereal Disease.  
VAT : Value Added Tax.  
VGDP : Vulnerable Group Development Programme.  
VHF : Very High Frequency.  
VIP : Very Important Person.

VPP : Value Payble Post.

VSO : Voluntary Service Overseas.

## ‘W’ related:

WASP : White Anglo-Saxon Protestant.

WB : World Bank.

WTO : World Trade Organization.

: World Tourism Organization.

: World Toilet Organization.

WBG : World Bank Group.

WCC : World Council of Churches.

WDR : World Development Report.

WEU : Western European Union.

WFC : World Food Council.

WFP : World Food Programme.

WFTU : World Federation of Trade Union.

WHO : World Health Organization.

WI : Women’s Institute.

WIPO : World Intellectual Property Organization.

WMF : World Wildlife Fund.

WMO : World Meteriological Organization.

WO : Warrant Officer.

WPC : World Peace Council.

WTC : World Trade Centre.

## ‘X’ related:

X-mas : Christmas.

XL : Extra Large.

## ‘Y’ related:

YHA : Youth Hostel’s Association.

YMCA : Young Men's Christian Association.

YWCA : Young Women's Christian Association.

## 'Z' related:

ZPG : Zero Population Growth.

ZUPO : Zimbabwe United People's Organization.

ZAPU : Zimbabwe African Peoples Union.

ZPCAS : South Atlantic Peace and Cooperation Zone.