

List of abbreviations and acronyms

APRAD	Asia-Pacific Road Accident Database
ART	Antiretroviral therapy
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
BOD	Biochemical oxygen demand
CRED	Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters
CO ₂	Carbon dioxide
DEL	Direct Exchange Line
DOTS	Directly Observed Treatment Short-Course
DPT3	Diphtheria toxoid, tetanus toxoid and pertussis vaccine third dose
EDGAR	Emission Database for Global Atmospheric Research
EM-DAT	Emergency Events Database
ESCAP	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
FDI	Foreign direct investment
GDI	Gross domestic investment
GDP	Gross domestic product
GFCF	Gross fixed capital formation
GNI	Gross national income
HIV/AIDS	Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
ILO	International Labour Organization
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IUD	Intrauterine device
KILM	Key Indicators of the Labour Market
LDC	Least developed countries
LLDC	Landlocked developing countries
MDG	Millennium Development Goals
MMR	Maternal mortality ratio
NCHS	National Center for Health Statistics
N ₂ O	Nitrous oxide
ODP	Ozone-depleting potential
PM10	Particulate Matter 10 microns
PPP	Purchasing power parity
PSTN	Public Switched Telephone Network
RIVM	The National Institute for Public Health and the Environment
SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
SARS	Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome
SIDS	Small Island Developing States
SO ₂	Sulphur dioxide
TB	Tuberculosis
UNAIDS	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
WHO	World Health Organization