

Acronyms and Abbreviations

AET	actual evapotranspiration	MEA	Millennium Ecosystem Assessment
AIACC	Assessments of Impacts and Adaptations to Climate Change	NAPA	National Adaptation Programme of Action
APN	Asia-Pacific Network for Global Change Research	NC	National Communication (to UNFCCC)
AR4	Fourth Assessment Report (of IPCC)	NCSA	National Capacity Self Assessment
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity	NDVI	normalised difference vegetation index
CEPF	Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund	NPP	net primary production
CO ₂	carbon dioxide	PA	protected area
CR	critical	PAGE	Pilot Analysis of Global Ecosystems
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (Australia)	PES	payment for ecosystem services
DJF	December-January-February season	PET	potential evapotranspiration
EH	Eastern Himalayas	PRECIS	Providing Regional Climates for Impacts Studies
EN	endangered	PRSP	Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper
GCM	General Circulation Model	RCM	regional climate model
GHG	greenhouse gas	RMC	regional member country
GIS	geographic information system	SON	September-October-November season
GLOF	glacial lake outburst flood	SRES	Special Report on Emissions Scenarios
HKH	Hindu Kush-Himalayas/n	TAR	Third Assessment Report (of IPCC)
ICIMOD	International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development	Tibet AR	Tibet Autonomous Region (China)
INMC	Integrated Natural Resource Management	TGCI	Task Group on Scenarios for Climate Impact Assessment (of IPCC)
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change	UN	United Nations
IUCN	International Union for the Conservation of Nature	UNCED	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
JJA	June-July-August season	UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
LWP-2	Last of the Wild Data Version 2	UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
MAM	March-April-May season	UV	ultraviolet rays
MDG	Millennium Development Goal	VU	vulnerable
		WWF	World Wide Fund for Nature

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