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Acronyms

ADB	Asian Development Bank
AIT	Asian Institute of Technology
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
BOOT	Build-own-operate-transfer
CA	Concession Agreement
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CEC	Continuing Education Centre (of AIT)
CPUE	Catch per Unit Effort
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species
CWR	Centre for Water Research (University of Western Australia)
DANIDA	Danish International Development Agency
DSPOE	Dam Safety Panel of Experts
DSRP	Dam Safety Review Panel
EAMP	Environmental Assessment and Management Plan
EDF	Electricité de France
EDL	Electricité du Laos
EGAT	Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand
EGCO	Electricity Generating Public Company Limited
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EI	Elevation above sea level in metres
EMDP	Ethnic Minorities Development Plan
EMO	Environmental Management Office (of NTPC)
EMU	Environmental Management Unit (of STEA)
EPL	Environmental Protection Law
ESMP	Environmental and Social Management Plan
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organisation
FINNIDA	Finnish Department for International Development Cooperation
FSL	Full Supply Level
GHG	Greenhouse gases
GNI	Gross national income
GNP	Gross national product
GMS	Greater Mekong Sub-Region
GOL	Government of Lao PDR
GTZ	German Technical Cooperation
HC	Head Contractor
HCC	Head Construction Contract
HCCEMMP	Head Construction Contractor's Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan
IAG	International Advisory Group
IDA	International Development Association
IPP	Independent power project/producer
ITCZ	Inter tropical Convergence Zone
ITD	Italian-Thai Development Public Company Limited
IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature
JICA	Japanese International Cooperation Agency
Lao PDR	Lao People's Democratic Republic
LWU	Lao Women's Union

MAF	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
MEC	Malaysian Environmental Consultants
MESAS	Multinational Environmental & Social Assessment Services
MIC	Ministry of Information and Culture
MIH	Ministry of Industry and Handicrafts
MOSES	Multi-Objective Scenario Evaluation System
MOL	Minimum Operating Level
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MW	Megawatt
MWL	Maximum Water Level
MRC	Mekong River Commission
NBCA	National Biodiversity Conservation Area
NCC	National Control Centre (of EGAT)
NEAP	National Environmental Action Plan
NGO	Non-governmental organisation
NNT NBCA	Nakai-Nam Theun NBCA
NTEC	Nam Theun 2 Electricity Consortium
NTFP	Non-timber Forest Product
NTPC	Nam Theun Power Company Limited
NTSEP	Nam Theun Social and Environmental Project
NTU	Nephrometric Turbidity Units
PAP	Project Affected Person
PCB	Polychlorinated Biphenyls
PCPP	Public Consultation & Participation Process
PCD	Public Consultation & Disclosure
PCRS	Physical Cultural Resources Survey
PIC	Project Information Centre
PMF	Probable maximum flood
POE	Panel of Experts
PMF	Probable Maximum Flood
PMP	Probable Maximum Precipitation
PPA	Power Purchase Agreement
QA	International Standards Quality Assurance
RAP	Resettlement Action Plan
RMU	Resettlement Management Unit
SCADA	Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition
SCOD	Scheduled Commercial Operation Date
SDP	Social Development Plan
SEMFOF	Social and Environmental Management Framework and Operation Plan
SKM	Sinclair Knight Merz
SMEC	Snowy Mountain Engineering Corporation
STEA	Science, Technology and Environment Agency
TEAM	Team Consulting Engineering and Management Co Ltd
THPC	Theun Hinboun Power Company
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
WCS	Wildlife Conservation Society
WHO	World Health Organisation
WMPA	Watershed Management and Protection Authority
WWF	World Wildlife Fund