

Acronyms and abbreviations

AME	African Methodist Episcopal	NUS	National University of Samoa
ACL	Anglican Church of Lesotho	OBC	Other Backward Classes
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women	ODL	Open Distance Learning
DISE	District Information System for Education	OECD	Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development
DPEP	District Primary Education Programme	PTR	Pupil-Teacher Ratio
DSC	Dominica State College	PSET	Post School Education and Training
DTEP	Distance Teacher Education Programme	PSLE	Primary School Leaving Examinations
EBB	Educationally Backward Blocks	PSSC	Pacific Senior School Certificate
ECOL	Examinations Council of Lesotho	RCM	Roman Catholic Mission
EFA	Education for All	SC	Scheduled Castes
ETUCE	European Trade Union Committee for Education	SLEAS	Sri Lanka Educational Administrative Service
FPE	Free Primary Education	SIMS	Student Information Management Systems
GCE	General Certificate of Education	ST	Scheduled Tribes
GDI	Gender Development Index	TALIS	Teaching and Learning International Survey
GDP	Gross Domestic Product	UBE	Universal Basic Education
GMR	Global Monitoring Report	UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation
GOI	Government of India	UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
GOK	Government of Kerala	UNOHRM	United Nations Office of Human Resources Management
GOL	Government of Lesotho	UP	Uttar Pradesh
GPI	Gender Parity Index	UPE	Universal Primary Education
GSPS	Growth and Social Protection Strategy	USE	Universal Secondary Education
HSC	High School Certificate	UWI	University of the West Indies
HDI	Human Development Index	WSTC	Western Samoa Teachers College
IECCD	Integrated Early Childhood Care and Development	WTF	Women Teachers Forum
ILO	International Labour Organization		
IMR	Infant Mortality Rate		
JSP	Junior Secondary Programme		
LCE	Lesotho College of Education		
LP	Lerotholi Polytechnic		
MP	Madhya Pradesh		
MDG	Millennium Development Goals		
MESC	Ministry of Education, Sports and Culture		
MOET	Ministry of Education and Training		
NCERT	National Council of Educational Research and Training		
NCOEs	National Colleges of Education		
NER	Net Enrolment Ratio		
NGO	Non-governmental organisation		
NIR	Net Intake Rate		
NPE	National Policy for Education		
NSSO	National Sample Survey Organisation		
NUEPA	National University of Educational Planning and Administration		
NUL	National University of Lesotho		