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AGRICULTURAL POLICY AND STRATEGIES
FOR POVERTY ALLEVIATION AND FOOD SECURITY

ANNEX IV

ASSESSING THE POVERTY AND FOOD SECURITY
SITUATIONS AT THE MICRO-LEVEL THROUGH
PARTICIPATORY RURAL APPRAISAL

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS
UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

ADB : Asian Development Bank
ADBN : Agriculture Development Bank, Nepal
AIC : Agricultural Inputs Corporation
APP : Agricultural Perspective Plan
ASC : Agriculture Services Centre
ASD : Agricultural Statistics Division
ASSC : Agriculture Services Subcentre
CBO : community-based organization
DADO : District Agricultural Development Office
DAP : di-ammonium phosphate
DHQ : district headquarters
DIO : District Irrigation Office
DLSO : District Livestock Services Office
DOA : Department of Agriculture
DOLS : Department of Livestock Services
DPP : District Partner Programme
EDR : Eastern Development Region
FAO : Food and Agriculture Organizations
FLW : frontline workers
FWDR : Far Western Development Region
GO : government organization
GRINSO : Group for International Solidarity
ha : hectare
HMG : His Majesty’s Government
ICIMOD : International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development
INGO : International Non-government Organization
IR : Indian rupee
kg : kilogram
JT : junior technician
JTA : junior technical assistant
KLDP : Karnali Local Development Programme
LAs : line agencies
LEB : local elected bodies
LSC : Livestock Services Centre
LSSC : Livestock Services Subcentre
LWS : Lutherans World Services
MOAC : Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives
MOP : muriate of potassium
mt : metric tonne
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<tr>
<td>m asl</td>
<td>metre above sea level</td>
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<td>MWDR</td>
<td>Midwestern Development Region</td>
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<td>NEWAH</td>
<td>Nepal Water for Health</td>
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<td>Nepal Food Corporation</td>
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<td>NGO</td>
<td>non-governmental organization</td>
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<td>NR</td>
<td>Nepalese rupee</td>
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<td>NTFP</td>
<td>non-timber forest products</td>
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<td>PPP</td>
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<td>PRA</td>
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<td>RDA</td>
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<td>RDB</td>
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<td>SAPL</td>
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<td>Sustainable Community Development Programme</td>
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<td>SPPD</td>
<td>Study on Policy and Strategy for Poverty Alleviation and Sustainable Household Food Security in Nepal</td>
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<td>STW</td>
<td>shallow tubewell</td>
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<td>UN</td>
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<td>VDC</td>
<td>Village Development Committee</td>
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<td>VP</td>
<td>veterinary post</td>
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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Ashad : month of June
Ashwin : month of September
Baisakh : month of April
Bhadra : month of August
Bhavar : a series of large discontinuous debris fans fringing the Siwaliks in a zone up to 10 km wide. It occupies 4 percent of Nepal
Bhote : people living in the mountain region or Tibbet
bigaha : equivalent to 0.68 ha
Brahmin : a caste in the Hindu religion
Chaitra : month of March
Chhetri : a caste in the Hindu religion
Chure or Churia : also called Siwaliks, these comprise the hills which are separated from the Mahabharats by duns, long flat valleys and are the youngest members of the Himalayan family
Dal Bhat : rice with pulse and vegetables
Dalits : disadvantaged caste groups (e.g. Sarkis, Damais, Dhobi, Kushbaha, Bhangi, Kami, Sharki, Kumal)
Falgun : month of February
Gurung : ethnic/tribal caste
Jestha : month of May
Indigenous tribes : local tribes such as the Tharus, Magar and Gurung.
Kamaiya : agricultural labourers bonded by an annual fixed wage and permanent labour contract
Kami : Dalit caste (a disadvantaged caste)
Kartik : month of October
khet : lowland rice
Magh : month of January
Malik : new jobs
Mansir : month of November
NTFPs : medicinal plants such as Yarsha Gumba, Guchi Chiyau, forest mushrooms.
Poush : month of December
Rarali : residents of Rara
ropani : a system of land measurement applied in the hill and mountain regions (30 ropanis make 1 ha)
rukho : dry
Siwaliks : see Churia above
Shrawan : month of July
Tamang : ethnic/tribal caste
Terai : Southern plain region
Thakuri : a caste in Hindu religion
Tharu : indigenous people living in the Terai
Yadav : a type of caste found in the Terai