APPENDIX 2

Abbreviations:

AFSPA - Armed Forces Special Powers Act

AIIMS - All India Institute of Medical Sciences

AMRUT - Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation

ASEM - The Asia–Europe Meeting

ASEAN - Association of Southeast Asian Nations

BRICS - Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa.

CMs - Chief Ministers

CRC - Convention on the Rights of the Child.

DISE - District Information System for Education

G20 - The G20 (or G-20 or Group of Twenty) is an international forum for the governments and central bank governors from 20 major economies. The members include 19 individual countries—Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, South Korea, Mexico, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Turkey, United Kingdom and United States—along with the European Union (EU).

GDP - Gross Domestic Product

GHA - Global hectares (acre)

IBSA - The IBSA Dialogue Forum (India, Brazil, South Africa) is an international tripartite grouping for promoting international cooperation among these countries.

ICPS - Integrated Child Protection Scheme

JAWS - Job Access With Speech

MDGs - Millennium Development Goals

MDM - Mid Day Meal

MLA - Member of the Legislative Assembly

MNERGA - Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Gurantee Act

MP - Member of Parliament

NFSA - National Food Security Act

NRLM - National Rural Livelihoods Mission

OBC - Other Backward Classes

PDS - Public Distribution System

PHC - Public Health Care

PMJDY - Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana

POCSO - The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences, Act

PPP - Purchasing Power Parity

PWD - Public Works Department

RKVY - Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana

RMSA - Rashtriya Madhayamik Shiksha Abhiyan

RTE - Right to Education

RUSA - Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan

SAARC - South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation

SABLA - The Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (RGSEAG) Sabla

SC - Scheduled Caste

SCO - The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation

SDG - Sustainable Development Goals

ST - Scheduled Tribe

UNDP - United Nations Development Programme

UPR - Universal Periodic Review