

Abbreviations and Acronyms

3G	Third Generation
4G	Fourth Generation
A.M.	Ante Meridiem (before noon)
AAA	Asian Athletics Association
AAFI	Amateur Athletics Federation of India
AAG	Afro-Asian Games
AAI	Airport Authority of India
AAOU	Asian Association for Open University
AAPI	American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin
AAPSO	Afro-Asian Peoples Solidarity Organisation
AASU	All-Assam Students' Union
ABC	Audit Bureau of Circulations American Broadcasting Company Australian Broadcasting Company
ABM	Anti Ballistic Missile
ABSU	All Bodo Student' Union
ABU	Asian Broadcasting Union
AC	Air Conditioner
AC	Ante Christum (Before Christ) Ashok Chakra Air Conditioner
ACAS	Airborne Collision Avoidance System
ACB	Anti-Corruption Bureau
ACC	Auxiliary Cadet Corps Air Coordinating Committee
ACD	Asian Co-operation Dialogue Anti Collision Device
ACHR	Asian Centre for Human Rights
ACL	Access Control List
ACU	Asian Clearing Union
AD	Anno Domini (After Christ)
ADB	Asian Development Bank
ADBS	Advanced Data Broadcast System
ADC	Aide-de-Camp
ADF	Asian Development Fund
ADRs	American Depository Receipts
ADS	Air Defence Ship
AEC	Atomic Energy Commission
AEOI	Automatic Exchange of Information
AERB	Atomic Energy Regulation Board
AF	Audio Frequency
AFC	Asian Football Confederation
AFI	Athletics Federation of India
AFMC	Armed Forces Medical College

AFNET	Air Force Network
AFP	Australian Federal Police
AFSPA	Armed Forces Special Powers Act
AFTC	Asia Foundation for Thermonuclear Studies
AG	Accountant General Attorney General
AGM	Annual General Meeting
AGP	Asom Gana Parishad Accelerated Graphics Port
AI	Artificial Intelligence Air India
AIADMK	All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam
AIBEA	All India Bank Employees Association
AICC	All India Congress Committee
AICI	Agricultural Insurance Corporation of India
AICS	All India Council of Sports
AICTE	All India Council for Technical Education
AID	Agency for International Development
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
AIDWA	All India Democratic Women's Association
AIFACS	All India Fine Arts and Crafts Society
AIFF	All India Football Federation
AILSG	All India Institute Of Local Self Government
AIIMS	All India Institute of Medical Science
AILTA	All India Lawn Tennis Association
AIMA	All India Management Association
AIMCET	All India Common Entrance Test for Master of Computer Application
AIMO	All India Manufactures' Organisation
AIMPLB	All India Muslim Personal Law Board
AIR	All India Radio
AISEC	All India Small Newspaper Editors' Conference
AITUC	All India Trade Union Congress
AIWHA	All India Women Hockey Association
AJT	Advanced Jet Trainer
ALH	Advanced Light Helicopter
ALL	Algebraic Oriented Language
AM	Ante Meridiem (before Noon) Amplitude Modulation
AMC	Army Medical Corps
AMICE	Associate Member of the Institute of Civil Engineers
AMIE	Associate Member of Institute of Engineers
AMIEE	Associate Member of the Institute of Electrical Engineers
AMP	Auto Mission Plan
AMRUT	Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation

AMU	Aligarh Muslim University Asian Monetary Union
ANC	African National Congress
ANCA	Alternative Nuclear Command Authority
ANDI	Area Networking Development Initiative
ANERT	Agency for Non-Conventional Energy and Rural Technology
ANMC-21	Asian Network of Major Cities-21
ANN	Asian News Network
ANZUS	Australia New Zealand and United States (Three National Defence Pact)
AOC	Air Officer Commanding
AP	Andhra Pradesh Associated Press
APASL	Asia Pacific Association for Study of Liver
APCTT	Asia Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology
APEC	Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation
APHLC	All Parties Hill Leaders Conference
APM	Administered Price Mechanism
APPLE	Ariane Passenger Payload Experiment
APPU	Asian Pacific Postal Union
APT	Asia Pacific Telecommunity
ARC	Administrative Reforms Commission Agricultural Refinance Corporation
ARDC	Agriculture Refinance and Development Corporation
ARF	Asean Regional Forum
ARP	Air Raid Precaution
ARPANET	Advanced Research Project Agency Network
ARSEP	Asean Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership
ARTRAC	Army Training Command
ASCI	Administrative Staff College of India
ASCI	American Standard Code for Information Interchange
ASCON	Army Static Switched Communication Network
ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations
ASEM	Asia Europe Meeting
ASHA	Accredited Social Health Activists
ASI	Archaeological Survey of India
ASIDE	Assistance to States for Infrastructural Development for Exports
ASK	Aaykar Samparak Kendra
ASLV	Augmented Satellite Launch Vehicle
ASSOCHAM	Associated Chamber of Commerce and Industry
AT&C Losses	Aggregate Technical & Commercial Losses
AT&T	American Telephone & Telegraph Co. Ltd.
ATC	Air Traffic Control

ATGM	Anti-Tank Guided Missile
ATM	Automated Teller Machine
ATR	Action Taken Report
ATS	Anti Tetanus Serum
AU	African Union
AVARD	Association of Voluntary Agencies for Rural Development
AVC	Army Veterinary Corps
AVSM	Ati Vishisht Seva Medal
AWACS	Airborne Warning and Control System
AWAN	Army Wide Area Network
AWWA	Army Wives' Welfare Association
B.Com	Bachelor of Commerce
B.Ed	Bachelor of Education
B.Pharm	Bachelor of Pharmacy
B.Sc	Bachelor of Science
B2B	Busines to Business
B2C	Business to Consumer
BAC	Business Advisory Committee
BAFTA	British Academy of Film and Television Arts
BAI	Badminton Association of India
BALCO	Bharat Aluminium Company Ltd.
BARC	Bhabha Atomic Research Centre
BBC	British Broadcasting Corporation
BBS	Bulletin Board Service
BC	Before Christ
BCCC	Broadcast Content Complaint Council
BCCI	Board of Control for Cricket in India Bank of Credit and Commerce International
BCG	Bacillus Calmette-Guerin (preventive vaccine for tuberculosis)
BCL	Bachelor of Civil Law
BDO	Block Development Officer
BEL	Bharat Electrics Limited
BENELUX	Belgium Netherlands and Luxembourg
BFA	Boao Forum for Asia
BGA	Blue Green Algae
BHEL	Bharat Heavy Electri-cals Ltd
BHU	Banaras Hindu University
BICP	Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices
BIFR	Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction
BIMARU	Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh
BIMSTEC	Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multisectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation
BIOS	Basic Input Output System
BIPPA	Bilateral Investment Promotion and Protection Agreement
BIS	Bureau of Indian Standard; Bank of International

	Settlement
BIT	Binary Digit
BITS	Birla Institute of Technology & Sciences
BJP	Bharatiya Janata Party
BKKP	Bhartiya Kisan Kamgar Party
BKU	Bharatiya Kisan Union
BLOB	Binary Large Objects
BMW	Bayerische Motoren Werke AG
BOAC	British Overseas Airways Corporation (now British Airways)
BOLT	Build-Operate-Lease-Transfer
BP	Blood Pressure
BPE	Bureau of Public Enterprises
BPL	Below Poverty Line
BPO	Business Process Outsourcing
BPR	Business Process Re-engineering
bps	bytes per second
BRAI	Broadcast Regulatory Authority of India
BREAD	Basic Research Education And Development Society
BRICS	Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa
BRO	Border Roads Organisation
BRPSE	Board for Reconstruction of Public Sector Enterprises
BSE	Bombay Stock Exchange
BSES	Bombay Suburban Electricity Supply
BSF	Border Security Force
BSI	Botanical Survey of India
BSNL	Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited
BSP	Bahujan Samaj Party
BSS	Bharat Sewak Samaj British Standard Specifications
C in C	Commander in Chief
C-DOT	Centre for Development of Telematics
C2C	Consumer to Consumer
CA	Chartered Accountant
CAB	Civil Aeronautics Board; Central Advisory Board
CABE	Central Advisory Board for Education
CAC	Capital Account Convertibility
CACCI	Confederation of Asia-Pacific chambers of Commerce & Industry
CACP	Commission on Agricultural Costs and Prices
CAD	Computer Aided Design
CADA	Command Area Development Agency
CAG	Comptroller and Auditor-General of India
CAIT	Confederation of All India Traders
CAMELS	Capital Adequacy, Asset Quality, Management, Earnings, Liquidity & Systems

CAMPA	Compensatory Afforestation and Management and Planning Authority
CAN	Calcium Ammonium Nitrate
Cantab	Cantabrigiensis (of Cambridge)
CAPART	Council for Advancement of People's Action & Rural Technology
CAPD	Central Auditory Processing Disorder
CARD	Centre for Astronomical Research and Development
CARE	Cooperative for American Relief Everywhere
CAS	Chief of the Air Staff Conditional Access System
CASE	Commission on Alternative Sources of Energy
CASI	Centre for Advanced Study of India
CAT	Common Admission Test
CAZRI	Central Arid Zone Research Institute
CBDT	Central Board of Direct Taxes
CBEC	Central Board of Excise and Customs
CBFC	Central Board of Film Certification
CBI	Central Bureau of Investigation
CBM	Confidence Building Measures
CBR	Central Board of Revenue
CBSE	Central Board of Secondary Education
CBT	Children's Book Trust
CBU	Completely built-up
CCDP	The Committee for Coordination on Disappearances in Punjab
CCEA	Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs
CCI	Competition Commission of India
CCP	Cabinet Committee on Price
CCS	Cash Compensatory Support
CCTV	Closed-Circuit Television
CD	Civil Defence; Community Development; Certificate of Deposit; Compact Disc
CD-ROM	Compact Disc-Read Only Memory
CDAC	Centre for the Development of Advanced Computing
CDMA	Code Division Multiple Access
CDRI	Central Drug Research Institute
CDS	Compulsory Deposit Scheme; Combined Defence Services
CDSCO	Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation
CEAMA	Consumer Electronics and Appliances Manufacturers Association
CEC	Chief Election Commissioner; Chief Executive Councillor
CECA	Comprehensive Economic cooperation Agreement

CECRI	Central Electrochemical Research Institute
CEDAW	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women
CEERI	Central Electronic Engineering Research Institute
CENTO	Central Treaty Organisation
CENVAT	Central Value Added Tax
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CEPA	Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement
CERC	Consumer Education and Research Centre
CESTAT	Customs, Excise and Service Tax Tribunal
CFC	Chloro Fluoro Carbon
CFS	Committee on Food Security

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