

ACRONYMS

BC	Backward Castes
BDO	Block Development Officer
BJD	<i>Biju Janata Dal</i> (a regional party in power in Orissa)
BJP	<i>Bharatiya Janata Party</i> (a national party, BJD ally)
CBO	Community Based Organisations
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CM	Chief Minister
DC	Deputy Commissioner or District Collector
DPB	District Planning Boards
DPC	District Planning Committee
DRDA	District Rural Development Agency
DWCRA	Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas
EAS	Employment Assurance Scheme
EGS	Education Guarantee Scheme
FFW	Food for Work
GEF	Global Environmental Facility
GCM	Global Climate Modelling
GoI	Government of India
GP	<i>Gram Panchayat</i>
GS	<i>Gram Sabha</i>

IPCC	Inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change
IRDP	Integrated Rural Development Programme
INC	Indian National Congress (national party, rival of BJP)
JFM	Joint Forest Management
JP	<i>Janpad Panchayat</i>
MDO	<i>Mandal</i> Development Officer
MLA	Member of Legislative Assembly (State)
MLC	Member of the Legislative Council
MoEF	Ministry of Environment and Forests (Govt. of India)
MP	Member of Parliament (National) or Madhya Pradesh
NAPCC	National Action Plan for Climate Change
NDMA	National Disaster Management Authority
NGO	Non Governmental Organisation
NORAD	Norwegian Aid Agency
NREGS	National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme
NSAP	National Social Assistance Programme
NSS	National Sample Survey
NSSO	National Sample Survey Organisation
NTFP	Non-Timber Forest Products
OBC	Other Backward Castes
OSDMA	Orissa State Disaster Management Authority
PDS	Public Distribution System
PRI	<i>Panchayati Raj</i> Institution

PS	<i>Panchayat Samiti</i> (PRI at Block level)
RD	Rural Development
SC	Scheduled Castes
SGSY	<i>Swarnajayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana</i>
SGRY	<i>Sampoorna Grameen Rojgar Yojana</i>
SHG	Self-Help Group
ST	Scheduled Tribes
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention to Climate Change
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
VAO	Village Accounts Officer
VDO	Village Development Officer
VEO	Village Extension Officer
ZP	<i>Zilla Parishad</i> (District Council)

GLOSSARY

<i>Adhiniyam</i>	Act
Block	An administrative subdivision of the district
<i>Chaas</i>	Agricultural land
<i>Dalit</i>	Untouchable caste
<i>Dhan</i>	Paddy
<i>Gram</i>	Village
<i>Gram Panchayat</i>	Village <i>Panchayat</i> ; the third and the lowest tier of the <i>Panchayat Raj</i> system; <i>Panchayat</i> being a representative body
<i>Gram Sabha</i>	Village assembly
<i>Gram Swaraj</i>	Village self-rule
<i>Jungle, Van</i>	Forests
<i>Kanoon</i>	Act, rule, formal procedure
<i>Panchayat Samiti</i>	Block level <i>Panchayat</i> . A middle-level unit of rural local government, made up of the heads of village <i>Panchayats</i>
<i>Panchayati Raj</i>	System of rural local government with three ascending tiers, viz., <i>Gram Panchayat</i> , <i>Panchayat Samiti</i> and <i>Zilla Parishad</i>
<i>Panchayats</i>	An institution of self-government for rural areas
<i>Samiti</i>	An association or committee, especially one formed to organise political activity
<i>Sarpanch</i>	Head of a <i>Panchayat</i>
<i>Shiksha karmi</i>	The local education volunteer
<i>Tehsil</i>	Sub-unit of a sub-division of a District, also <i>Taluk</i>
<i>Tehsildar</i>	The chief revenue officer for a <i>Tehsil</i>
<i>Vibhag</i>	Government department
<i>Vata</i>	Cyclonic wind associated with depression