ABBREVIATIONS USED

AIMCMR: Assam Institute of Mass Communication and Media Research
ANOVA: One-way Analysis of Variance
BRAOU: Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar Open University
CD-ROM: Compact Disk Read Only Memory
DDE: Directorate of Distance Education
DVD: Digital Video/Versatile Disc
FGD: Focus Group Discussion
GPRS: General Packet Radio Service
GPS: Global Positioning System
GSM: Global System for Mobile Communications
ICT: Information and Communication Technology
IGNOU: Indira Gandhi National Open University
KKHSOU: Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University
NMT: New Media Technology
ODL: Open and Distance Learning
OER: Open Educational Resources
PCA: Principal Component Analysis
PDA: Personal Digital Assistant
SMS: Short Message Service
USB: Universal Serial Bus
VLE: Virtual Learning Environment
YCMOU: Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University
ZPD: Zone of Proximal Development theory