List of Abbreviations and Acronyms

AAY               Antyodaya Anna Yojana
AP                Andhra Pradesh
APC           Agricultural Prices Committee, the predecessor of the CACP
APL               Above Poverty Line
APSCSC  Andhra Pradesh State Civil Supplies Corporation
BC                Backward Classes
BPL               Below Poverty Line
CACP              Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices
CAD                Constituent Assembly Debates
CAG                Comptroller and Auditor General
CPI                Communist Party of India
CPI (M)           Communist Party of India (Marxist)
DRDA             District Rural Development Agency
DWCRA        Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas
FAD               Food Availability Decline
FAO                Food and Agricultural Organisation
FCI                Food Corporation of India
FPS                Fair Price Shop
GDP                Gross Domestic Product
HIV                Human Immune Virus
HYV               High Yielding Varieties
ICDS            Integrated Child Development Scheme
ICESCR        International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
ICMR            Indian Council of Medical Research
IMF                International Monetary Fund
KG                Kilo Gram
MLA            Member of the Legislative Assembly
MLC            Member of Legislative Council
MLS               Mandal Level Stockist
MP                Member of Parliament
MPTC        Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency
MSP  Minimum Support Price
NABARD  National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development
NCRWC  National Commission to Review the Working of the Constitution
NFHS  National Family Health Survey
NGO  Non-Governmental Organisation
NTR  Nadamuri Taraka Rama Rao
OBC  Other Backward Classes
PAC  Public Accounts Committee
PDS  Public Distribution System
PUCL  People’s Union for Civil Liberties
RPDS  Revamped Public Distribution system
Rs.  Indian Rupees.
SC  Schedule Castes
SGRY  Sampoorana Gramin Rozgar Yojana
SGSY  Swarna Jayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana,
ST  Schedule Tribes
TDP  Telugu Desam Party
TPDS  Targeted Public Distribution System
UDHR  Universal Declaration of Human Rights
UNDP  United Nations Development Programme
UNO  United Nations Organisation
UPA  United Progressive Alliance
USA  United States of America
WFS  World Food Summit
WTO  World Trade Organisation
ZPTC  Zilla Parishad Territorial Constituency