LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ANANDI-Area Networking and Development Initiatives
BC-Backward Community
BDB-Bank Dagang Bali
CGT-Cameroon Gatsby Trust
CSD-Center for Self Help Development
DWCRA-Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas
GDI-Gender Development Index
GEM-Gender Empowerment Measure
IFAD- International Fund for Agricultural Development
ILO-International Labour Organization
IMK-Indira Mahila Kendra
IRMA-Institute of Rural Management
ISTR-International Society for Third-Sector Research
IVDP-Integrated Village Development Project
KSRTC-Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation
LEAP-Learning for Empowerment Against Poverty
MBC-Most Backward Community
MCRP-Maharashtra Rural Credit Project
MEADOW-Management of Enterprises and Development of Women
MFI-Micro Finance Institution
MT-Mahalir Thittam
MYRADA-Mysore Rehabilitation And Development Agency
NABARD-National Bank for Agriculture And Rural Development
NGO- Non Governmental Organization
ORG-Operations Research Group
PLA – Participatory Learning Appraisal
PRADAN-Professional Assistance for Development Action
PRA-Participatory Rural Appraisal
RF-Revolution Fund
RGMVP-Rajiv Gandhi Mahila Vikas Pariyojan
RUDSET-Rural and Urban Development Self Employed Training Institute
SAG-Self Help Affinity Group
SC-Scheduled Castes
SEDP-Small Enterprise Development Programme
SEWA-Self Employed Women Association
SGSY-Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana
SHG-Self Help Groups
SHIP-Self Help Group Promotion Institutions
ST-Scheduled Tribes
TANWA-Tamil Nadu Women Agriculture Project
TNCDW-Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Ltd
TNWDP-Tamil Nadu Women Development Project
UNDP-United Nations Development Programs
UNESC-United Nations Economic and Social Council
UNIFEM-United Nations Development Fund for Women
UPA-United Progressive Alliance
USAID-United States Agency for International Development
WEP-Women Empowerment Programme