

Abbreviations

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| ABMI | Asian Bond Markets Initiative |
| ACCC | ASEAN Connectivity Coordinating Committee |
| ACIA | ASEAN Comprehensive Investment Agreement |
| ACMECS | Ayeyawady–Chao Phraya–Mekong Economic Cooperation Strategy |
| ADB | Asian Development Bank |
| ADB I | Asian Development Bank Institute |
| AEC | ASEAN Economic Community |
| AEP | Act East Policy |
| AFTA | ASEAN Free Trade Area |
| AH | Asian Highway |
| AHN | Asian Highway Network |
| AIEZ | ASEAN–India Economic Zone |
| AIF | ASEAN Infrastructure Fund |
| AIFTA | ASEAN–India Free Trade Agreement |
| APEC | Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation |
| APTA | Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement |
| ARIC | Asia Regional Integration Center |
| ASEAN | Association of Southeast Asian Nations |
| ASEAN+3 | ASEAN members, plus the PRC, Japan and the Republic of Korea |
| ASEAN–India CECA | ASEAN–India Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement |
| ASW | ASEAN Single Window |
| ASYCUDA | Automated System for Customs Data |
| BCIM–EC | Bangladesh–PRC–India–Myanmar Economic Corridor |
| BCP | border crossing point |
| BIMP-EAGA | Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines–East ASEAN Growth Area |
| BIMSTEC | Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral and Technical Cooperation |
| BISTEC | Bangladesh–India–Sri Lanka–Thailand Economic Cooperation |

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| BOI | Board of Investment |
| BOO | build, own and operate |
| BOOT | build, own, operate and transfer |
| BOT | build, operate and transfer |
| BTILS | BIMSTEC Transport Infrastructure and Logistics Study |
| C&F | clearing and forwarding |
| CAREC | Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation |
| CBTA | cross-border transit agreement |
| CCC | customs cooperation committee |
| CCTV | closed-circuit television |
| CECA | Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement |
| CEPA | Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement |
| CGE | computable general equilibrium |
| CGIF | Credit Guarantee and Investment Facility |
| CHA | Custom House Agent |
| CIA | Central Intelligence Agency |
| CII | Confederation of Indian Industries |
| CIQ | customs, inspection and quarantine |
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| CLMV | Cambodia, the Lao PDR, Myanmar and Viet Nam |
| CPEP | Colombo port expansion project |
| CPF | contractor's pre-finance |
| CPI | consumer price index |
| CPIS | Coordinated Portfolio Investment Survey |
| CSIS | Center for Strategic and International Studies |
| CUSDEC | customs declaration |
| DDC | Dawei Development Company |
| DFI | development finance institution |
| DFID | Department for International Development |
| DMIC | Delhi–Mumbai Industrial Corridor |
| DSEZ | Dawei Special Economic Zone |
| DWT | deadweight tonnage |
| EAS | East Asia Summit |
| ECA | export credit agency |
| ECE | Economic Commission for Europe |
| EDI | electronic data interchange |
| EPC | engineering, procurement and construction |

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| ERIA | Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia |
| ETI | Enabling Trade Index |
| EU | European Union |
| EWEC | East–West Economic Corridor |
| FDI | foreign direct investment |
| FTA | free trade agreement |
| FTAAP | Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific |
| FY | fiscal year |
| GDP | gross domestic product |
| GMS | Greater Mekong Subregion |
| GoB | Government of Bangladesh |
| GSP | generalized scheme of preferences |
| ICD | inland clearance depot |
| ICP | integrated check post |
| ICT | information and communication technology |
| IDA | International Development Association |
| IDE | Institute for Developing Economies |
| IFC | International Finance Corporation |
| IFI | international finance institution |
| IIFCL | India Infrastructure Finance Company |
| IL&FS | Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services |
| IMF | International Monetary Fund |
| IMTTH | India–Myanmar–Thailand Trilateral Highway |
| IPP | independent power producer |
| ISFTA | India–Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement |
| IT | information technology |
| ITD | Italian–Thai Development |
| IWT | inland waterways transport |
| JBIC | Japanese Bank for International Cooperation |
| JCC | Joint Coordinating Committee |
| JCT | Jaya Container Terminal |
| JHC | Joint High-level Committee |
| JICA | Japan International Cooperation Agency |
| JSC | Joint Sub Committee |
| K2K | Kolkata to Kunming |
| Lao PDR | Lao People’s Democratic Republic |
| LCS | land customs station |
| LDC | least developed country |
| LEP | Look East Policy |
| LPI | logistics performance index |
| LOA | length overall |

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| MDB | multilateral development bank |
| MFN | most favored nation |
| MGC | Mekong–Ganga Cooperation |
| MIEC | Mekong–India Economic Corridor |
| MIGA | Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency |
| MIPL | Myanmar Integrated Port |
| MITT | Myanmar International Terminals Thilawa |
| MOU | memorandum of understanding |
| MPAC | Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity |
| MRA | mutual recognition agreement |
| NEA | Nepal Electricity Authority |
| NEDA | Neighbouring Countries Economic Development Cooperation Agency |
| NESDB | National Economic and Social Development Board |
| NSEC | North–South Economic Corridor |
| NSW | National Single Window |
| NTB | non-tariff barrier |
| NTM | non-tariff measure |
| OECD | Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development |
| PDF | project development facility |
| PIDG | Private Infrastructure Development Group |
| PPP | public–private partnership |
| PRC | People’s Republic of China |
| PTA | preferential trade arrangement |
| RCEP | Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership |
| RCI | regional cooperation and integration |
| RCL | Regional Container Lines |
| RDA | Road Development Authority |
| RIF | regional infrastructure fund |
| RKC | Revised Kyoto Convention |
| ROO | rules of origin |
| RORO | roll on–roll off |
| SA | South Asia |
| SAARC | South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation |
| SAFE | Standards to Secure and Facilitate Global Trade |
| SAFTA | South Asian Free Trade Area |
| SAGT | South Asia Gateway Terminal |
| SAPTA | SAARC Preferential Trading Arrangement |
| SA/SEA | South Asia/Southeast Asia |

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| SASEC | South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation |
| SDP | Strategic Development Projects |
| SEA | Southeast Asia |
| SEC | Southern Economic Corridor |
| SJVN | Sutlej Jal Vidyut Nigam |
| SKRL | Singapore–Kunming Rail Link |
| SLPA | Sri Lanka Ports Authority |
| SMEs | small and medium-sized enterprises |
| SOE | state-owned enterprise |
| SPC | special purpose company |
| SPS | sanitary and phytosanitary |
| SSR | Southwestern Silk Road |
| SW | Single Window |
| SWF | sovereign wealth fund |
| TAR | Trans-Asian Railway |
| TBT | technical barriers to trade |
| TFC | trade facilitation committee |
| TPP | Trans-Pacific Partnership |
| TPSEP | Trans-Pacific Strategic Economic Partnership Agreement |
| UNESCAP | United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific |
| UNFPA | United Nations Population Fund |
| UCT | Unity Container Terminal |
| US | United States |
| USAID | United States Agency for International Development |
| WCO | World Customs Organization |
| WTO | World Trade Organization |

Weights and Measures

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| GWh | gigawatt-hours |
| km | kilometer |
| km ² | square kilometers |
| kV | kilovolt |
| KW | kilowatt |
| MW | megawatt |
| TEU | twenty-foot equivalent unit |