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LIST OF ACRONYMS

AC	Advisory Committee
ADB	Asian Development Bank
AL	Awami League (a major political party in Bangladesh)
BD	Bangladesh
BNP	Bangladesh Nationalist Party (a major political party in Bangladesh)
BOSC	Bosti Bashi Odhikar Surokha Committee (<i>Bosti</i> inhabitants’ Rights Protection Committee)
BRAC	Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee (a very large NGO)
CBA	Collective Bargaining Agent
CBO	Community Based Organisation
CP	Connection Permission
CUS	Centre for Urban Studies
DCC	Dhaka City Corporation
DESCO	Dhaka Electricity Supply Company
DFID	Department for International Development, UK
DIT	Dhaka Improvement Trust
DMDP	Dhaka Metropolitan Development Planning
DSK	Dushtha Shasthya Kendra (a local NGO)
DSMA	Dhaka Statistical Metropolitan Area
DWASA	Dhaka Water Supply and Sewerage Authority
ED	Executive Director
Ex-En	Executive Engineer
FC	Fecal Coliform
GD	General Diary at police office
LGED	Local Government Engineering Department
LGRD&C	Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperative
LTM	Limited tendering method
MC	Management Committee
MD	Managing Director
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MP	Member of Parliament
NDBUS	Nagar Daridra Bostibashir Unnayan Sangstha (development organisation of urban poor <i>bosti</i> inhabitants)

NGO	Non-government organisation
OTM	Open Tendering Method
PRSP	Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper
RAJUK	Rajdhani Unnayan Kortripakhha (planning and development control authority of Dhaka)
RCC	Reinforced Concrete Construction
SASF	Semi Autonomous Social Field
SE	Superintendent Engineer
SSPWS	Small Scale Piped Water Supply
TC	Total Coliform
T&T	Telephone and Telecommunication
UN	United Nations
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNICEF	United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund
UP	Union <i>Parishad</i> (UP, the lowest tier of the urban local government structure)
UPPR	Urban Partnerships for Poverty Reduction