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Abbreviations

AD	:	Aspirational Districts
ADP	:	Aspirational District Programme
APY	:	Atal Pension Yojana
DICC	:	District Industries & Commerce Center
Gen	:	General
ID	:	Identity
INR	:	Indian Rupee/s
MSME	:	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise
MGNREGA	:	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act
ST	:	Other Backward Classes
SC	:	Scheduled Caste
ST	:	Scheduled Tribe
PMJJBY	:	Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana
PMSBY	:	Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana
PMJDY	:	Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana
PMFBY	:	Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana
SBA	:	Skill Birth Attendance
SDG	:	Sustainable Development Goals