

List of Abbreviations and Acronyms

AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
ASEAN	Association of South-East Asian Nations
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CL	Compulsory license
DCGI	Drugs controller general (India)
EU	European Union
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
HIV	Human immune deficiency virus
IFPMA	International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers
ICH	International Conference on Harmonization
IMF	International Monetary Fund
INN	International non-proprietary name
IPR	Intellectual property rights
LDC	Least developed countries
MFN	Most-favoured-nation
MNCs	Multi-national companies
MoCF	Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilisers
MoHFW	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
NADT	National Authority on Drugs and Therapeutics
NCE	New chemical entity
NGO(s)	Non-governmental organization(s)
NIH	National Institute of Health
NLEM	National list of essential medicines
NPPA	National pharmaceutical pricing authority
PBAC	Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee
PMPRB	Patented Medicines Price Review Board
PTO	Patent and Trademark Office
R&D	Research and development
SMP	Safety monitoring program
TB	Tuberculosis
TK	Traditional knowledge
TRIPS	Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property rights
UNDP	United Nations Development Program
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization
WB	World Bank
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization
WHO	World Health Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization