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ABBREVIATIONS

APB Agricultural Promotion Bank

ADB Asian Development Bank

CPC Committee for Planning and Cooperation

CPI Committee for the Planning and Investment

DAFO District Agriculture and Forestry Office

DAO District Administrative Office

FIAT Farmer Irrigated Agriculture Training Project

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

FPID Forestry Inventory and Planning Division

GMOs Genetically Modified Organisms

GoL Government of Laos

IMF International Monetary Fund

IUCN International Union for the Conservation of Nature

ISF Irrigation Services Fee

HACCP Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point

JICA Japan International Cooperation Agency

LMO Land Management Office

Lao PDR Lao People Democratic Republic

LPRP Lao People's Revolution Party

NAFRI National Agriculture and Forestry Research Institute

NEM New Economic Mechanism

NEP New Economic Policy

NGOs Non-governmental Organizations

MAF Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry

O&M Ownership and Management

PAFD Provincial Agriculture and Forestry Division

SCATF Scientific Council for Agricultural Technique and Forestry

SOCBs State Owned Commercial Banks

SMS Subject Matter Specialists

SWB BBC Summary of World Broadcasts

FSEW Farming System Extension Workers

TA Technical Assistance

TLUC Temporary Land Use Certificates

UNDP United Nations Development Programme:

WUAs Water Users' Associations

VDAF Vientiane Capital Division of Agriculture and Forestry

VAO Village Administrative Office

WB World Bank

WCED World Commission on Environment and Development

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