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ABBREVIATIONS

NEM	New Economic Mechanism
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
ADB	Asian Development Bank
ASEAN	Associations South East Asian Nations
SEZ	Special Economic Zone
LDCs	Least Developed Countries
NESDP	National Economic Strategies Development Plan
WB	World Bank
AFTA	Asian Free Trade Area
WTO	World Trade Organization
EPZs	Export Processing Zones
NCSEZ	National Committee for Special Economic Zones