## List of Abbreviations and Acronyms

ADB Asian Development Bank

**ASEAN** Association of Southeast Asian Nations

BBIN Bhutan-Bangladesh-India-Nepal

BIMSTEC Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic

Cooperation

**EU** European Union

**GDP** Gross Domestic Product

**GHG** greenhouse gas

GTAP Global Trade Analysis Project

**HVDC** High-Voltage Direct Current

**kV** Kilo-volt

**kWh** Kilo-watt-hours

Lao PDR Lao People's Democratic Republic

MU Million Unit

NDC Nationally Determined Contribution

**NEA** Nepal Electricity Authority

**SAARC** South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation

SADC Southern African Development Community

**SAFTA** South Asian Free Trade Area

**SAPP** South African Power Pool

SASEC South Asia Sub-Regional Economic Cooperation

**STEM** Short-Term Energy Market

**T&D** transmission and distribution

**TWh** Terra-watt-hours