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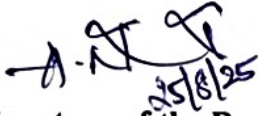
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## ABBREVIATIONS

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APA	American Psychological Association
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CVI	Cortical Visual Impairment
EVI	Early Visual Impairment
FPSB	Financial Planning Standards Board
GEM	Global Entrepreneurship Monitor
IAB	Indian Association for the Blind
LST	Life Skills Training
MVI	Moderate Visual Impairment
NAB	National Association for the Blind
NFSFD	National Fellowship for Students with Disabilities
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NIMH	National Institute of Mental Health
NPCB	National Programme for Control of Blindness
PEDI	Pediatric Evaluation of Disability Inventory
PMJJBY	Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana
POWER	Promotion of Well-being, Resilience, and Stress Management
PSS	Perceived Stress Scale
QoL	Quality of Life

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SKPC	Sri Kanyaka Parameswari Arts & Science College
SPSS	Statistical Package for the Social Sciences
SVI	Severe Visual Impairment
TEA	Total early-stage Entrepreneurial Activity
TVET	Technical and Vocational Education and Training
VCC	Visually Challenged Children
VI	Visual impairment
VIC	Visually Impaired Children
WHO	World Health Organization

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