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## Acronyms and abbreviations

<b>API</b>	Application programming interface
<b>BED</b>	Departmental Electoral Office (French acronym) – Haiti
<b>BEK</b>	Communal Electoral Office (French acronym) – Haiti
<b>BV</b>	Block vote
<b>CDI</b>	Conflict Dynamics International
<b>CEO</b>	Chief electoral officer
<b>DO</b>	District officer
<b>E-voting</b>	Electronic voting
<b>ECB</b>	Election Commission Bangladesh
<b>EDR</b>	Electoral dispute resolution
<b>EMB</b>	Electoral management body
<b>Eoi</b>	Expression of interest
<b>EVM</b>	Electronic voting machine
<b>FIN</b>	Finance
<b>FPTP</b>	First-past-the-post (electoral system)
<b>HC</b>	High court
<b>HR</b>	Human resources
<b>ICT</b>	Information and communication technology
<b>IEBC</b>	Independent Election and Boundary Commission (of Kenya)

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