

Cover note

This is a statement issued by Indian Trans, Intersex and Gender Nonconforming (T/IS/GNC) individuals & groups in response to the Kinnar Akhada's call for a Ram temple at the Babri Masjid site in Ayodhya.

This statement is being issued with the deepest sense of anguish, concern and condemnation at this call, which is bound to fuel communal hatred and violence.

Many traditional transfeminine persons & groups have been threatened for wanting to endorse this statement. Threats have been issued to certain members of the signatories list for initiating this statement.

We call the attention of the larger LGBTIQ+ communities, our allies, and international human rights defenders & organisations to take notice and join us in taking a stand against these attempts at saffronisation of the LGBTIQ+ communities.

A total of 183 T/IS/GNC individuals, 20 LGBTQIA+ groups, 8 ally organisations, and 146 individual allies have endorsed this statement at the time of its release.

Endorsements are still being accepted until **11 pm, 30th November, 2018**. Please send your endorsements to trans.solidarity@gmail.com in the format ***Name, Gender Identity/Expression (optional), Organisational Affiliation (optional), Location.***

Please indicate which of the signatory lists you would like to be listed in:

- A]** Trans, Gender Nonconforming & Intersex individuals
- B]** LGBTQIA+ Groups, Networks & Organisations (Trans, Gender Nonconforming & Intersex led/shared spaces and otherwise)
- C]** Allies in solidarity (Non-LGBTQIA+ organisations and queer and non-queer individuals)
 - a)** Organisations
 - b)** Individuals

**TRANS, GENDER NONCONFORMING & INTERSEX COLLECTIVES STRONGLY CONDEMN KINNAR
AKHARA'S SUPPORT FOR RAM TEMPLE AT AYODHYA, INDIA**

We the undersigned strongly condemn the statements made by the representative of the Ujjain-based Kinnar Akhara, Laxmi Narayan Tripathi, supporting the right-wing call for the construction of a Ram temple at Ayodhya. On 4th November 2018, the following video was available in the public domain, where this demand was stated: <http://ariyatv.com.ng/watch/qm34EzsKBSO>. Two days following this video, the Indian national daily Indian Express through its article, "Kinnar akhara bats for Ram temple in Ayodhya, second term for PM Modi" (<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/kinnar-akhara-bats-for-ram-temple-in-ayodhya-second-term-for-pm-narendra-modi-5435495/>) provided further details.

The issue of building a temple dedicated to the Hindu god Ram at his supposed birthplace in Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh, breeds communal tension because this alleged birthplace is the location of a 16th century mosque, the Babri Masjid. The Hindu right-wing call to destroy the Babri Masjid was heeded in vigilante action on Dec 6th, 1992, with Hindu mobs attempting to demolish the Masjid. This heralded a new era of communal tension and was followed by unprecedented violence in several places in India, including in the state of Gujarat, where communal riots and brutal murders of thousands of Muslims occurred under the administration of the then Chief Minister of the state and the current Prime Minister of India, Mr. Narendra Modi. The ascertainment of the rightful ownership of this location is currently subjudice in the Supreme Court of India.

The establishment of the Ram Temple has been a favourite electioneering agenda that the current government has repeatedly used to mobilize votes and stir anti-Muslim sentiments among Hindu masses. Consequently, Muslims in India are facing widespread violence and persecution, and yet the State remains consistently silent through this violence. In this context, we find the statements by the Kinnar Akhara appalling and dangerous, and as members of the trans and gender-diverse communities in India we strongly condemn these statements.

Laxmi Narayan Tripathi, a dominant-caste brahmin trans woman, has been appealing to Hindutva ideology and justifying the existence of the caste system in India ever since she began aspiring for a political position within the current ruling party. Her position negates the politics of communal harmony that is espoused by Hijras and Kinnars, who have historically maintained a syncretic faith of belonging to both Hinduism and Islam. Laxmi Narayan Tripathi's position idealises a mythical past of the Sanatan Dharam and supports the right-wing politics of communal hatred in the guise of 'we were always accepted'.

It should be noted that while Tripathi's position ostensibly seeks harmony between the realms of faith and gender/sexuality, in actuality, it is aligned with Hindutva and derives explicit inspiration from Nazi ideology. Such a stance is likely to deepen existing hierarchies of trans persons in

dangerous ways, especially alienating minority-religious and atheist, gender expressions and identities.

Instead of challenging the very source of structural discrimination within patriarchy, such attempts to seek legitimization of the third gender along religious lines, is nothing less than gross competitive politics. Furthermore, several transgender people are already experiencing marginalization from the imposition of a religiously rooted third-gender identity in state policy upon all the various binary and non-binary identities under the transgender umbrella, even though the NALSA vs. Union of India (2014) judgment clearly states that people have equal rights and freedoms to choose their own identity irrespective of religious or physiological factors.

This same communal politics has been at work in the way the Hindutva-oriented State criminalized the multi-religious system of joint living and traditional system of begging practiced by the Hijra community in its Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2016. The Bill's proposed screening of trans bodies and its declaration that rape and assault of trans bodies would be more lightly punished than sexual assaults upon cisgender women, was a move in the spirit of the same Manuvadi patriarchy that creates a hierarchy of legal measures which depend on the social locations of the victims and perpetrators. The Trafficking of Persons (Prevention, Protection and Rehabilitation) Bill, 2018 adds even greater punitive measures for the system of organized begging and even punishes trans people who might help one another access medical transition. The bills, along with Kinnar Akhara's statement, will deepen divisions and increase oppression for most transgender persons while also damaging the secular fabric of Hijra and transgender communities.

We also want to alert International agencies that have stood by the cause of LGBTIQ lives the world over: The United Nations [UN], Human Rights Watch [HRW], International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission [IGLHRC], International Lesbian and Gay Association [ILGA], Amnesty International, ARC International, Transgender Europe [TGEU], American Jewish World Service [AJWS], Asia Pacific Transgender Network [APTAN], International Commission of Jurists [ICJ] and Global Action for Trans Equality [GATE]. If, you have either supported Laxmi Narayan Tripathi in the past or stand by her now, it's time to increase your awareness of the implications of her statement and its implicit call to communal hatred. Such a stance has no place amongst agencies defending human rights. We call upon you to strongly condemn such voices.

Any government is a representative of its citizens. It is shocking to see that the current government has exercised no democratic methods to seek consultation and representation with the trans and gender-diverse communities of this country to inform its institutional responses & policies. This is evidenced by the government's singular approach of consulting Laxmi Narayan Tripathi and trans persons from within the religious fold for the ongoing LGBTIQ related bills, the formation of an LGBT-related group within the National Human Rights Commission [NHRC], and so on. We emphatically contest this assumption of representation and declare that she and other trans persons representing religious bodies do not represent the vast array of trans & gender-diverse communities

of India. This collective will resist the saffronisation of trans and intersex spaces. We unequivocally condemn such communal sentiments and continue to rest our faith in the Constitutional principle of the separation of state and religion.

Endorsements are still being accepted until **11 pm, 30th November, 2018**. Please send your endorsements to trans.solidarity@gmail.com in the format **Name, Gender Identity/Expression (optional), Organisational Affiliation (optional), Location** and indicate which of the following signatory lists you would like to be listed in.

Signed,

A] Trans, Gender Nonconforming & Intersex individuals

A. Prem, Trans woman, AMANA	I. Sobita, Trans man	Renju Renjimar, Transgender Activist & Secretary, Dhwayah Transgender Arts & Charitable Society, Kerala
Adi, Transmasculine person, Kolkata	Iliyas, kothi	Ritoo, Trans woman sex worker, THITS
Aditya, Bangalore	Isabella, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Rosi, transgender person Payana
Ajitha, Transwoman, Tamil Nadu	Italia, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Rozel Marwein, transman, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya
Akkai Padmashali, Ondede	J Kirthik Shiva, Transman, Chennai	Ruby Sharma, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland
Alexis, Spectrum, transfemale, Chandigarh	Jamal Siddiqui, Transmen Collective	Rumi Harish, Transgender Queer Activist Musician
Amrita Sarkar, trans activist, BDS.Samabhabona, Kolkata	Janet Masar, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Rushaan Kumar, Colorado College
Anannyeah Alex, Transwoman, Kerala	Jason Mawthoh, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	S. Jovin, Chennai
Anindya Hajra, Pratyay Gender Trust	Jason Shabong, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Sabeeh, Trans man, Bombay
Aniruddha Dutta, University of Iowa	Jenny Khurai, Make Up Artist, Manipur	Sagnik Puri, Student, University Of Hyderabad
Anjali Kalyanapu, Trans woman, THITS	Joana, transwoman, Delhi	Sai Bourothu, Trans Woman presently working with Police Reform.
Antax, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Jushna Begum, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland	Saishiva Varun, Transman, Bangalore
Anthony, trans woman, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Kajal Abnaz, Transwoman, Kerala	Samantha, Trans woman, THITS
Anu Shri, Lead Organizer, Trans Rights Now Collective, India	Kanaga Varathan, Chennai	Sanasam Debala, Trans man
Anumitra, FnP consultant	Kavita, New Delhi	Sanjeeva, Kothi, Ashraya organisation

Anush, Sappho, Kolkata	Kayal, Transwoman, Tamil Nadu	Santa Khurai, AMANA, Manipur
Anusurya, Chennai	Kiran Raj, Transman, Telangana	Saratha, Student Organiser, Trans Rights Now Collective
Aparna Banerjee, Trans activist, Amitie Trust, West Bengal	Laya Maria Jaison, Transwoman, Transgender Cell, Government of Kerala, Kerala.	Saravana, Kothi, Payana
Argha Ray Chowdhuri, Nadia Ranaghat Sampriiti Society	Liliana il Graziosco Merlo Turan, Agender transwoman, Bangalore. The decision of kinnar akhara is calamitous, a debacle that will not only divide community on lines of religion and caste but also leave us divided and vulnerable to the transmisogynistic violence of the savarna imperialistic oligarchy that have been butchering and murdering our kind for millenia after millenia. To support these imperialistic aggrandizement is nothing but endorsing genocide based on transmisogyny along with lines of caste, and religion.	Satya Rai Nagpaul, Sampoorana Working Group
Aroh Akunth, genderqueer person, Tata Institute of Social Sciences	Lima Jamir, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland	Sayan Bhattacharya, PhD student
Aruna Nath, Madhya Banglar Sangram	Living Smile Vidya, trans activist and artist	Sayantan Datta, Queer feminist activist and poet
Atreya, Transman, Tech Student, Hyderabad	M. Selvam Transman, Tamil Nadu	Shals, Genderqueer person, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay
Atsung Lkr, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland	M. Ton, Trans man	Shaman Gupta, transperson, Delhi
B.D. Khoisnam, Trans man, ETA	M. Yaieeba, Trans man, ETA	Sheethal Shyam, Transgender Activist & Kerala State Transgender Justice Board Member, Kerala
Banlum Warjri, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Mahen Deep, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland	Shikha, Genderqueer, Bombay
Barry, transman, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Mallappa S Kumbar, Karnataka Sexual Minorities Forum	Shilpa Toshi Jamir, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland
Becky Nongsiej, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Mamta Begum, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland	Shirsho Basu, Gender Nonconforming person, PhD Student
Bishal Dey, Genderqueer Trans Person, University of Hyderabad	Md. Anjali, Trans woman	Sho, Genderqueer person, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective & Jan Jagran Shakti Sangathan, Bihar
Bittu Karthik Kondaiah, Telangana Hijra Intersex Transgender Samiti (THITS), Karnataka Janashakti, WSS	Md. Mastan, trans woman, AMANA	Shreya, Genderfluid person, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay
Bobby Meitei, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland	Meba, transman, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Shreya, Transwoman, Kerala
Bonita Pebam, AMANA, Manipur	Meera Jasmine, Trans woman, THITS	Shyam Balasubramaniam, Trans masculine person, Chip Design Engineer Bangalore/Coimbatore

Brandt, trans person, Bombay	Meera Sanghamitra, Telangana Hijra Transgender Intersex Samiti (THITS) and National Alliance of People's Movements (NAPM)	Sintu Bagui, Anandam, Kolkata
Camelia, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Micky Lyngdoh, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Siva, Transman, Chennai
Careen Kharkongor, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Moa Negro, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland	Smruthi Narayan, Trans non-binary, San Francisco
Chandin Kathan, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland	Mona, transman, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Sonu Paswan, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya
Chandini Gagana, trans woman, Bangalore	Mridul, Trans man, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay	Sreekanth Kannan, Karnataka Sexual Minorities Forum
Charupriyan, Trans Man, Bangalore	N. Thoi, Trans man	Sri, transperson, Chennai
Chitra, Trans woman, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective	Nabisha, Transwoman, Tamil Nadu	Steve Lyngdoh, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya
Chitraksh, Delhi, trans man	Nanjunda Swamy, kothi	Sumi Das, Moitrisanjog, Coochbehar
D. Muthamizh Sairam from Chennai	Neel, Sappho for Equality	Sunil Mohan, Gender queer person, Independent Researcher, Bangalore
Daniel Pyrbot, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Negha, Trans woman, Cultural Organiser, Trans Right Now Collective	Surya Ishaan, Transgender Activist & State Transgender Justice Board Member, Kerala
Daya Gayathri, Transwoman, Kerala	Nelly Nongrum, transman, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Sushil, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland
Deepa Rani, Transwoman, Kerala	Nelly Ryntathi, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Swati Bidhan Baruah, Transgender lawyer, Guwahati High Court and founder of All Assam Transgender Association
Diana, Transgender Rights activist, Goa	Nick, transmasculine person, Delhi	Syama S Prabha, TG Cell, Kerala Government and Secretary Queerhythm LGBTIQ+ Organization
Dinesh Yumkham, trans woman, AMANA	Nisha Gulur, Human rights activist	T.T. Kharshandi, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya
Dolly Tripathi, Trans woman, THITS	Nishant Upadhyay, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth	Tanmay, Genderqueer person, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bihar
Dona, transman, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Nitai Giri, Anandam, Kolkata	Tashi Choedup, Transgenderqueer, Buddhist monastic, and Human Rights, Interfaith activist, Bodhgaya, Bihar
Duncan Kharmon, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Nolly Sangma, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Tei, transmen, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya
Elfi, SYMPHALLIANG, MeghalayaLyngdoh, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Parvati, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland	Tharika, Transwoman, Medical College Student, Tamil Nadu
Esvi anbu Kothazham, Transgender person, Bombay	Pavani, Telangana Hijra Intersex Transgender Samiti	Theertha Sarvika, Transwoman, Kerala
Fazel Marwein, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Philips, Hyderabad Queer Swaabhimana Yatra	Thripathi Shetty, Transgender Entrepreneur, Kerala
Fergie, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Pooja, Trans woman sex worker, THITS	Uma (Umesh), Jeeva

Ganesh, Transman, Trans Rights Now Collective	Prosenjit Das, MA student, Kalyani University	Vaishnavi, Trans woman, Tamil Nadu
Ganga Bhavami, Intersex persons rights activist, Andhra Pradesh	R.K. Tomy, Trans man	Vidya, Hyderabad Queer Swaabhimana Yatra collective, Gender nonconforming trans person
Gareth, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Raabiya, Transwoman	Vihaan Peethambar, Board Member, Queerala, an LGBTIQ+ organization
Gazel, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Rachana Mudraboyina, Telangana Hijra Intersex Transgender Samiti	Vijayarajamallika, Transgender Activist & Poet, Kerala
Gee Semmalar, Sampoorana Working Group	Radha Kinar, Transwoman, Dimapur, Nagaland	Vinnu, Trans man, THITS
Grace Banu, Founding Director, Trans Rights Now Collective	Raga Renjini, Transwoman, Kerala	Vishal Blah, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya
Hazel Marwein, transman, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya	Raina Roy, trans activist and trans feminist, BDS.Samabhabona and Amra Odbhut Café	Xiemen, transguy
Heena, Nadia Ranaghat Sampriti Society	Raj, NB person, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay	Yuvi Nongkynrih, SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya
Heidi Saadiya, Transwoman, Kerala	Ray R, Transgender woman, Law Faculty, Delhi University and AUD Queer Collective, Delhi. I support this statement. Kinnar Akhada's support to construction of a Ram mandir is deeply disappointing.	Zera Franko, Transwoman, Kerala

B] LGBTIQ+ Groups, Networks & Organisations (Trans, Gender Nonconforming & Intersex led/shared spaces and otherwise)

All Manipur Nupi Manbi Association (AMANA/AMNMA)
Amra Odbhut Café (queer cafe and collective)
BDS.Samabhabona (trans led intersectional group and collective)
Delhi Queer Fest
Hasratein, JNU Queer Collective
LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective
Moitrisanjog, Coochbehar (community based organisation)
Nazariya: A Queer Feminist Resource Group
Orinam Collective, Chennai.
Pratyay Gender Trust, Kolkata
Queerala, an LGBTIQ+ organization, Kerala
Raahi - A Journey Towards Dignity is an organization that works on crisis intervention of marginalized genders and sexualities communities in South India. Raahi endorses this statement and is committed to anti caste politics and communal harmony among our community (Sreekanth Kannan, Sunil Mohan, Sonu Niranjana, Astha, Sathyakala, Deepta Rao, Rumi Harish, Sravanthi Dasari)
Sahayatrika
Sampoorana Working Group
Sangama, Bengaluru

Sappho For Equality, Kolkata - a LBT collective
SYMPHALLIANG, Meghalaya
Telangana Hijra Intersex Transgender Samiti (THITS)
TISS Queer Collective
Vikalp (Women's) Group, Vadodara

C] Allies in solidarity (Non-LGBTQIA+ organisations and queer and non-queer individuals)

Organisations

All India Progressive Women's Association (AIPWA)
Alternative - A Collective, University of Hyderabad
Human Rights Law Network (HRLN)
Karnataka Janashakti
National Federation of Indian Women
National Network of Sex Workers (NNSW)
Rites Forum
Veshya Anyay Mukti Parishad (VAMP), Sangli

Individuals

A. Gayathri, queer identified, Tamil Nadu	Imti, Dimapur, Nagaland	Ragamalika K, Journalist, Bangalore
A. Suneetha, Researcher	J Devika, Professor, Centre for Development Studies, Kerala	Rahul Roy, Film maker, Gurgaon
Aanchal, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay	Jayasree Subramaniam, Academician	Rajashree Raju, Board member, Queerala, an LGBTQIA+ organization, Queer activist, Kerala,
Abha Dev Habib, Miranda House, DU	Jijo Kuriakose, President, Queerala, an LGBTQIA+ organization, Queer Activist, Kerala.	Rajesh, Dimapur, Nagaland
Aditya Nigam, Academic, CSDS, Delhi	K. Sajaya, social activist	Rajorshi Das, Queer non-binary person, JNU
Aditya Ravie, Gay, Hyderabad Queer Swaabhimana Yatra collective	Kalyani Badola, Jan Jagran Shakti Sangathan, Bihar	Rama Melkote, Retd. Prof., Osmania University
Ahalya Ganesh, Hyderabad Queer Swaabhimana Yatra	Kalyani, Hyderabad TISS alumni	Rambo Meitei, Straight ally
Aisarya Dutt Roy, Research Scholar, CWS, University of Hyderabad	Kavita Dasgupta, Filmmaker, Sweden	Ranju Sahni, Jan Jagran Shakti Sangathan Bihar
Aisha Farooqui, Retired	Kavita Krishnan, AIPWA, Delhi	Ranvider Sahni, Jan Jagran Shakti Sangathan Bihar

Ajay Sahni, Jan Jagran Shakti Sangathan Bihar	Khalida Parveen, social activist	Rebul, Dimapur, Nagaland
Ajmal Khan, TISS Mumbai	Kiran Shaheen, WSS	Romeo, Dimapur, Nagaland
AK Dave, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay	Kiruba Munusamy, Supreme Court advocate	Roshan Padhan, Research Scholar, University of Hyderabad
Ambika, social activist	Koramoa Chumu, Dimapur, Nagaland	Roshni Chattopadhyay, TISS Student
Anamika Dutt, Mumbai	Kriti Budhiraja, PhD Student	Rukmini, Mumbai
Anatya, Semiconductor Sales Associate, Delhi	L Ramakrishnan, queer person, Chennai	S. Ashalatha, Activist
Anisha, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay	Laksman, Dimapur, Nagaland	S. Seethalakshmi, Researcher & Activist
Anita Devi, Jan Jagran Shakti Sangathan Bihar	Lanu Ao, Dimapur, Nagaland	Saba Dewan, Film maker, Gurgaon, Haryana
Anu Salelkar, cis woman, Anubhuti Trust, Mumbai	Lipok Ao, Dimapur, Nagaland	Samidha Satapathy, queer person, Cuttack
Anupama Srinivasan, Filmmaker, Delhi	Madhavi Shivaprasad, PhD scholar, Mumbai	Sandeep Bakshi, University of Paris Diderot, Paris, France
Anuradha, Aman Vedika	Madhumeeta Sinha, EFLU University	Sandhya, POW
Aparajita Raja, AISF	Maheen Mirza, Cinematographer, Bhopal	Sandhya, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay
Arpan Kundu, Research Scholar, Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai	Mandakini, Advocate	Sarah Mathews, Sankalp Women's Support Alliance
Arundhati Ghosh, Arts Support, Bangalore	Manjula Pradeep, WAYVE Foundation	Satyavati Kondaveeti, Social activist
Asha Devi, Jan Jagran Shakti Sangathan Bihar	Meenu Pandey, New Delhi	Savigul, Dimapur, Nagaland
Asha, All India Dalit Mahila Adhikar Manch	Meren, Dimapur, Nagaland	Seema Azaad, WSS
Ashim Ahluwalia, filmmaker, Mumbai	Mitaja, HCU	Selish Yumnam, gay person
Ashish Ranjan, Jan Jagran Shakti Sangathan, Bihar	Moa Sangtam, Dimapur, Nagaland	Shahana Bhattacharya, Delhi University
Atsope, Dimapur, Nagaland	Moa Taku, Dimapur, Nagaland	Shalini Krishan, queer feminist
Avi, West Bengal Forum for Gender and Sexual Minority Rights	Moses Tulasi, Independent film maker, Queer person	Shruti, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay

Avijit Mukul Kishore	Muskan, Sangli	Siddharth Chadha, Researcher, Uppsala University, Sweden
Ayush Vicky, Dimapur, Nagaland	Nandini Rao, WSS	Smriti, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay
B. Sonia, straight girl	Neel, Hyderabad Queer Swaabhimana Yatra collective, Queer person	Sneha Rajaram, Bangalore
Biju, Dimapur, Nagaland	Nidhi Soujanya	Snehashish Das, Queer person, Odisha
Brindaalakshmi K, queer person, Chennai	Nilanjan Majumdar, Clinic & Laboratory, Kolkata	Solanki Chakraborty, MPhil, University of Hyderabad
Chayanika Shah, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay	Nithin Manayath, Bangalore	Sravanthi Dasari, Bangalore
Daksh Walia, Chandigarh/Delhi NCR	Nivedita Menon, Professor JNU	Sumitra, Ankuram
Debomita Mukherjee, Research Scholar, University of Hyderabad	O. Nongthomba, gay person	Sunep Kashiram, Dimapur, Nagaland
Deepa Vasudevan, Sahayatrika, Queer Activist, Mumbai & Kerala.	Olen, Dimapur, Nagaland	Sunni Devi, Jan Jagaran Shakti Sangathan, Bihar
Deepan Kannan, queer person, Chennai	Osuri Umairasi, queer woman, Tamil Nadu	Susie Tharu, Independent Scholar
Dr. Rukmini Rao	Pawan Dhall, Varta Trust, Queer person	Tejaswini Madabhushi, Hyderabad for Feminism
Dr. Soma Roy, Anandam, Kolkata	Payoshni Mitra, activist for the rights of intersex individuals	Uma Bhargubanda, EFL University
Duncan, Dimapur, Nagaland	Pinku, Dimapur, Nagaland	V. Angayarkanni, Queer person, Tamil Nadu
Fr. Thomas Nainan, National Council of Churches of India	Pooja, LABIA – A Queer Feminist LBT Collective, Bombay	Vasudha Nagarajan, Advocate
Ganauri Devi, Jan Jagran Shakti Sangathan Bihar	Praveena, Hyderabad Central University	Vikram, Dimapur, Nagaland
Girija, social activist	Prijith PK - President, Queerhythm LGBTIQ+ organization, Queer activist, Kerala	Vimala Writer, Social activist
Gyan Kumar, Dimapur, Nagaland	Puloma Pal, Film Editor, Mumbai	Vqueeram Aditya, Independent researcher
H. Bony, straight girl	Pushpa Achanta, WSS	Yan Lotha, Dimapur, Nagaland.
Howoto Sema, Dimapur, Nagaland	R. Meera, WINS	Yanger Jamir, Dimapur, Nagaland
Imkong Ao, Dimapur, Nagaland	Rafiul Alam Rahman, LGBTQ Activist, Delhi	