

Pride Month

CONTEXT

June is observed globally as Pride Month to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community and raise awareness about issues of equality, inclusion, and human rights.

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- **LGBTQ+** is an umbrella term for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer persons.



- Notably, LGBTQ+ individuals do not conform to traditional gender roles and expectations. They exhibit sexual characteristics that do not fit into the typical male or female binary, and their gender identities differ from the sex assigned to them at birth.



- **The '+' (plus)** representing other identities that are not specifically included in these letters.



- **Pride Month:** It commemorates the fight for LGBTQ+ rights and celebrates diversity and inclusion in society.



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- As per **census 2011**, there were **4.87 lakhs persons in India** who opted for "other" in gender category.



- **Transgender Rights:** NALSA v. Union of India (2014) recognised the right to self-identify gender. It recognises transgender as the "third gender" upholding their fundamental rights.



- **Legislation:** The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2019 provides legal recognition of transgender identity.



- **Decriminalisation:** Navtej Singh Johar v. Union of India (2018) decriminalised consensual homosexual acts (Section 377 partially struck down).



- **Constitutional Provisions:** Article 14 Right to equality, Article 15 No discrimination on grounds of sex and Article 21 Right to life and personal liberty.