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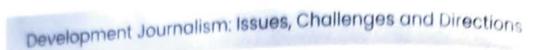
# Role of Media in formation of an Alternative Public Sphere for LGBTQ+ Community: The Indian perspective

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Jurgen Habermas's public sphere belongs to the same theoretical family of civil society which offers a common platform for the representation of common interest in the public. In his book Structural Transformation of the Public Sphere, he emphases on the bourgeois public sphere which was perceived as a sphere where private people transcending their private preoccupations come together as public and creates an interactive body of citizens involved in rational-critical discourse addressing common purposes. Communicating with each other, social actors learn to share ideas and create a unified public. Their communication was





analyses of contemporary media scenario and the status of LGBTQ+ community in India and tries to articulate the possibility of formation of an alternative public sphere for them.

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