LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ADMK – Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam
APA – American Psychiatric Association
APCOM – Asia Pacific Coalition on Male Sexual Health
ARM – Association for Rural Mass India
BJP – Bharatiya Janata Party
BPO – Business Process Outsourcing
CAN – Community Action Network
CBO – Community Based Organization
CHES – Community Health Education Society
CM – Chief Minister
CSIM – Centre for Social Initiative and Management
CSW – Commercial Sex Workers
DAC – Doctoral Advisory Committee
DK – Dravida Kazhagam
DMK – Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam
DSM – Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders
FFS – Facial Feminization Surgery
FSW – Female Sex Workers
FtM – Female-to-Male
GD – Group Discussion
GH – Government Hospital
GID – Gender Identity Disorder
G.O.s – Government Orders
HIV – Human Immunodeficiency Virus
IAS – Indian Administrative Service
ICD – International Classification of Diseases
ICSSR – Indian Council of Social Science Research
ICWZO – Indian Community Welfare Organisation
IGP – Income Generation Programme
INFOSEM – The India Network for Sexual Minorities
IPC – Indian Penal Code
IPS – Indian Police Service
LGBT – Lesbian; Gay; Bisexual; Transgender
LIC – Life Insurance Corporation
MP – Member of Parliament
MSM – Men who have sex with men
MtF – Male-to-Female
NACO – National AIDS Control Organisation
NGO – Non-Governmental Organization
NPPF – Non-Party Political Formation
NSM – New Social Movements
PDS – Public Distribution System
PLHA – People Living with HIV/ AIDS
PUCL -K – Peoples’ Union for Civil Liberties, Karnataka
RTI – Right to Information
SC – Scheduled Caste
SHG – Self-Help Group
SOC – Standards of Care
SOGI – Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity
SRS – Sex Reassignment Surgery
STIs – Sexually Transmitted Infections
TANSACS – Tamil Nadu State AIDS Control Society
THAA – Thamil Nadu Aravanigal Association
TISS – Tata Institute of Social Sciences
TRA – Transgender Rights Association
UN – United Nations
UNDP – United Nations Development Programme
WHO – World Health Organization
WPATH – World Professional Association for Transgender Health