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Sologamy: India woman's plan to 'marry herself' sparks debate



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The News

- The 24-year-old Vadodara-based private firm employee **Kshama Bindu is all set to tie the knot with herself, in what is called sologamy, on 11 June.**
- The solo wedding, a first for India, will feature everything — **from the 'pheras' and wedding vows to a Goa honeymoon, but won't have a groom or 'baraat'.**



What's her logic behind Sologamy?


- Kshama Bindu
 - “I never wanted to get married. But I did want to become a bride. So I decided to marry myself.”
 - She added that she had done her research and with her parents' support decided to go ahead with her marriage.
 - When asked if her decision was incredulous, she said, “Self-marriage is a commitment to be there for yourself and unconditional love for oneself. It's also an act of self-acceptance. People marry someone they love. I love myself and hence, this wedding.”



The Debate

When your parents don't allow you for the Goa trip, marry yourself and go on a 2 weeks honeymoon to Goa

Modern problems require modern solutions [#Sologamy](#)

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Why there's hue and cry about sologamy, when you can marry a tree then why can't you marry yourself?

It's just an expression of self love ❤️

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This means one [#marrying](#) oneself.

A 24 year old girl from Vadodara will marry herself on 11th June & then will go to [#Honeymoon](#) with herself to [#Goa](#).

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Only wondering how does one [#divorce](#) in such cases ?



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Sologamy

- Sologamy or self-marriage or autogamy, is a symbolic ceremony where you commit to maintaining a meaningful, deep, and loving relationship with yourself.
- It's the belief that people have of not needing another person to find happiness. Many call it a wonderful way of celebrating self-love, while critics call it attention-seeking and daft.
- Is it something new?
 - The practice has existed ever since at least 1993 when an American woman named Linda Barker married herself.

Sologamy



MICAELA MARTINI

Laura Mesi spent £8,700 on her solo wedding, complete with white dress, wedding cake and 70 guests



SOPHIE TANNER

Briton Sophie Tanner tied the knot with herself after her partner cheated on her

Model who married herself to get divorce 90 days later as she 'met someone else'

Cris Galera, 33, made headlines back in September this year as she held a wedding to formalise marrying herself – however it's all over after 90 days as she asks for a divorce

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Sologamy

In western countries, businesses have also proliferated which cater to this trend, offering wedding kits, including rings, vows and affirmation cards that say things like "Hell yeah, I'm awesome".



The Big Question

Is Sologamy Legal?

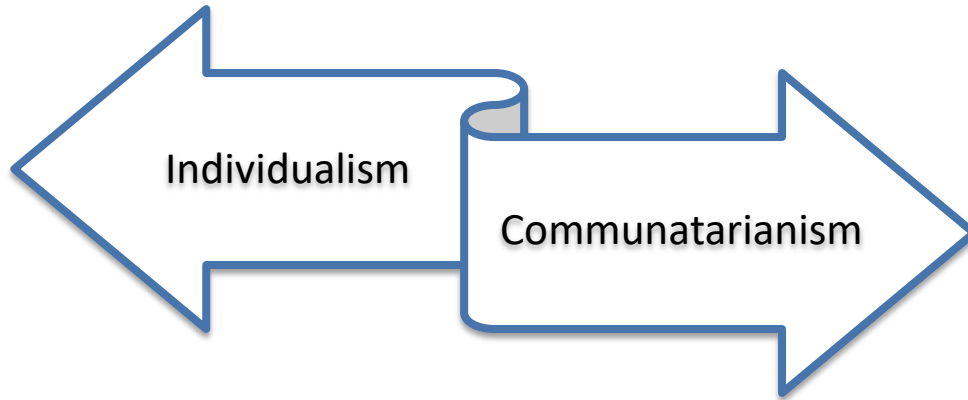
- **Section 5 of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 states** the conditions for a valid marriage. A marriage can be said valid, if it fulfils following conditions:
 - None of the parties have **spouses living at the time of the marriage**.
 - During the time of the marriage, neither party should be
 - Incapable of giving **valid consent** due to the unsoundness of mind
 - Suffering from **mental** disorder to an extent as to be unfit for marriage and procreation of children.
 - Subjected to repeated attacks of **insanity**.
 - The bridegroom must be **21** years or above and the bride must be **18** years or above.
 - The parties should not in a **degree of prohibited relationship**.
 - The Parties are **not sapindas** (blood relation) to each other.

The Repercussions

Kshama Bindu:

I have "only one thing" to say to critics.

"It's my decision to marry who I want - whether it's a man or a woman or myself. And by marrying myself, **I want to normalise sologamy.**



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