



For the latest log on to [WWW.MID-DAY.COM](http://WWW.MID-DAY.COM)



For Mobile alerts SMS START MDB to 53650

MAKE WORK FUN

WEDNESDAY, 29 JULY, 2009

## MY VIEWS



## A feminist take on Potter >8

**ADVANTAGE** HYUNDAI PFE-OWNED CARS

**VARAMAHALAKSHMI CELEBRATIONS**

Second hand cars that ARE AS GOOD AS NEW

Refurbishment ADVANTAGE

First Hyundai Advantage Dealer in Karnataka

SANTRO XL 2006	SANTRO XL 2006	SANTRO XS 2003
SANTRO LS 2002	GETZ GVS 2005	GETZ GLE 2005
SANTRO XO 2006	GETZ GL 2005	SANTRO XG 2005
SANTRO XP 2004	GETZ GLS 2005	GETZ GLS 2005
SANTRO XI 2004	GETZ GLS 2006	SANTRO XG 2005
SANTRO GLS 2007	ELANTRA CDRI 2006	

HYUNDAI [www.hyundai.co.in/advantage](http://www.hyundai.co.in/advantage)

**ADVAITH HYUNDAI** Caring for you... always

1-800-11-4423

**98450 44230**

No. 16/A, Miller's Tank Road, Vasanthnagar, Bangalore - 52

# MATE HATE

## HARASSED HUSBANDS FROM ACROSS INDIA WILL MEET ON AUGUST 15 TO PLAN FREEDOM FROM THEIR WIVES

PIC FOR REPRESENTATION



CHETAN R  
[chetan.r@mid-day.com](mailto:chetan.r@mid-day.com)

Harassed husbands will not celebrate a conventional Independence Day this year.

Over a hundred of them, representing more than 30,000 from across the country, will meet in Shimla to decide on strategies to take on their wives.

They believe they are trapped in a women-centric society, and say they won't celebrate Independence Day unless their demands are met.

The demands include a separate men's welfare ministry on the lines of women and child welfare ministry, equal taxation for men and women, change in inheritance laws, amendment to the Domestic Violence Prevention Act, and mandatory joint custody of children for divorced couples.

Like-minded organisations such as SIFF (Save Indian Family Foundation) and CRISP (Children's

Rights Initiative for Shared Parenting) are part of the summit.

"We are fighting for independence from harassing wives," said Pandurang Katti, president SIFF. "We want to make our movement more active."

The Maharashtra's Purush Suraksha Sanstha and Uttar Pradesh's Pathi Paramesh Kendra will also converge at Shimla.

"We will be intensifying our movement after the summit," said Virag Dhulia, member, SIFF.

Participants will come from 28 cities including Bangalore, Delhi, Mumbai, Nagpur, Chennai and Kolkata. They first met in Goa last year.

Husbands committing suicide because of harassment is double the number of wives committing suicide, according to SIFF.

"Over 1.2 lakh harassed husbands have committed suicide in the past four years. We will fight against such wives through this forum," Katti told MiD DAY.

## INDOMITABLES

From today, you'll meet people who had shown extreme courage to keep our country safe from terror, insurgency or the underworld in the last few years. They found their mission in life and accomplished it, sometimes at the cost of their lives or limbs. MiD DAY will publish a braveheart's tale every week day till August 15. Visit [mid-day.com](http://mid-day.com) for related stories and videos.

**TODAY: LT. BALWAN SINGH**  
His unit wrested Tiger Hill from the enemy, after a steep climb of 12 hours

> FULL STORY ON PAGE 7

### HITLIST

RAKHI DOES IT ►► 10

### F.Y.I.

PAK IS NO DIFFERENT ►► 14

### THE GUIDE

STORE FOR GAYS ►► 15

### PARTY POWER

MJ TRIBUTE PARTY ►► 21



SLIMMING BEAUTY FITNESS

# 50%\* Discount

## on Slimming & Beauty Packages - LAST DAY

CUNNINGHAM ROAD - 41131761 / 62, 41534054 • BANASWADI - 25428151 / 251 • WEST OF CHORD ROAD - 23490893 / 23490894 • INDIRANAGAR - 25207131 / 32 / 33 • J.P. NAGAR - 41679290 / 91 / 92 • WHITEFIELD - 41714880 / 81 / 82 • KORAMANGALA - 25501820 / 21, 41469705 • JAYANAGAR - 41204700 / 766 / 767