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**KARMAVEER PURASKAAR (KVP)**

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## Harish Sadani to be felicitated with prestigious Karmaveer Puraskar 2010-11

Social Activist Harish Sadani will be felicitated, among other select national leaders, the coveted 'Karmaveer Puraskar' award instituted by iCONGO – Indian Confederation of NGOs – a body of civil society, media and other sectors, in recognition of his significant contribution towards women's empowerment and gender equality. The award will be conferred on 26<sup>th</sup> November at a simple and austere ceremony to be held in New Delhi at Deepalaya School Auditorium, A -14, Kalkaji Extension (6 p.m.).

The 'Karmaveer Puraskar' is a national award created in 2006 to annually recognize individual citizens from various sectors (civil society, media, performing arts, professionals, corporate, government) who have been pivotal for "being and leading the change" beyond their personal daily lives, by being committed to work for social justice issues and inspiring the masses. Past awardees include eminent citizens like Verghese Kurien, Anu Aga, Indu Jain, J.M. Lyngdoh, M. S. Swaminathan, Vijaytai Patil, Actress Kajol, Mahesh Bhupathi and Dr. Marcella D'Souza. In view of the selfless contribution of these individuals who are making a difference without expecting any laurels, the Karmaveer Puraskar Awardees are dubbed as 'Noble Laureates' by iCONGO.

Harish Sadani has been spearheading a movement in India that explores the role of men as key partners and change-agents in preventing gender-based violence against women, through the organization Men Against Violence and Abuse (MAVA). For the past 5 years, Harish has been closely working with male youths, aged 16 - 20 years, sensitizing them on gender and sexuality issues and mentoring them to communicate with peers in their colleges and the larger community. This notable, path-breaking work is now being slowly spreading from rural Pune to Mumbai, Satara, Kolhapur and other parts of Maharashtra by a core team of highly motivated and trained youth communicators.

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