

## **Law for 'Stridhan' is rubbish and biased**

On one hand Indian laws are discouraging giving dowry (gifts which are demanded) in marriage and proving it illegal and offensive, and ironically on other hand the law is permitting the wife to get away with all the marriage gifts, jewelry and items that she receives from even her in-laws.

But also she claims for all jewelry and articles that her in-laws and their relatives gave her on marriage i.e. after she became wife of their son/ relative so to become their family member. But when the marital-tie breaks and wife is no longer the family member of husband's family then why she has the legal right to claim in-laws related jewelry and articles. As after getting the divorce she will be separated from husband's family and then might remarry the other guy. It is really obnoxious for husband and perplexed situation for his family members to loose and give away all their precious ancestral inherited jewelry and items just in the name of 'Stridhan', which the family had saved and accumulated for decades and could cost a lofty amount.

Under this law, the wife most usually misleads the judicial system by stating all her gifts as being demanded by her husband so all considered as dowry, which were actually never demanded but can't be proved otherwise very easily. As during the marriage ceremony, all happens in good faith, for happiness of bride and groom and with a joyous mood usually in the educated urban families.

In the event of separation of husband and wife, all the gifts, items and money shall be returned back to the original holder, irrespective of the current bearer and law related to 'Stridhan' shall be abolished.