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**Subject:** My stories about racism

Hi.

We as Australian's deserves better and equal rights and strict racism Laws for everyone and our children.

We belongs to Sikh community and our Guru Guru Gobind Singh tell the world: "manas ki jat sabhe eke paihcanbo - recognise all of mankind as a single caste of humanity".

I myself experienced racism in the public many times on and off the job since I was a Taxi driver because of my look many times I heard it as "go back to your country", "are you Osama", "Terrorist", "Rag head (because of my Turban)" even working for Australia post as courier driver many times people rejected deliveries to accept even after seeing my Auspost Id still shutting locking there door's on my face making racial comments about my Turban and beard. We don't mind telling someone who really wants to know about us but some people try to make jokes by asking about our looks. Lately while driving as Uber driver I had to call '000' because of this someone called me "Terrorist" "Rag head""pillow head" and then I rejected them to take anywhere they refused to jump out of the car. Couple of years ago we were visiting the Ekka show at Brisbane Show grounds as whole family someone approached us and started to threaten my 4 years old daughter because she was touching innocently fish tank he told her to go back to your country even she's born here in Australia how funny these people's full of hate can be some times we were surprised.

Now my eldest daughter is 8 years old and she already experienced racism in her school by ot children's. We had to report her school about it as She was so afraid and worried about her brown skin colour and darkened hair she was getting comments by other children's "this is not her country she belongs from Punjab" sometimes it's so worrisome as we have been leaving in Australia for over 14 years and still no acceptance!.

Thanks for hearing us as community please run some campaigns for making all Australians more aware about other communities. We belongs here as Australians. Thanks