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City-based author Lavanya Sankaran's new book has been selected as a top pick by a UK-based company. We caught up with the lady for a chat

NAMITA GUPTA

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It's another feather in Bengaluru girl Lavanya Sankaran's cap as her latest novel *The Hope Factory* has been selected by Amazon UK as a Top Pick for April 2013 and is already winning rave reviews by critics across the world.

Talking about *The Hope Factory*, which just released in India, the writer shares, "I took six years to complete the book, since the plot is very complex. It evolved as the writing progressed. It is a tale of hope and aspirations in urban India set around Anand and Kamala. The story is about Anand who is setting up a factory and Kamala, a maid and a single mother, who wants to educate her 12-year-old son and how they fight the great Indian obstacle. I'm going to the UK next week to release the book there, and then to the US."

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WHEN HOPE FLOATS HIGH

Lavanya Sankaran



Arjen Robben of Bayern Munich

GERMAN soccer AGE!

City expats can't wait for the all-German finale at the Champions League

SINDHUJA BALAJI

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Wembley Stadium in London is the venue for the ultimate face-off — the 2013 Champions League final is slated to take place on May 25 and it promises to be a historic one. For the first time ever, two German teams will battle it out for the title. Fans the world over are waiting with bated breath to see who will emerge victorious — Bayern Munich or Borussia Dortmund? While the question is a debatable one, German expats in the city are all excited and wish to be watching the mania live, or atleast with fellows Germans!

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