

'The Terminator' turns green crusader in India

Attends the 12th Delhi Sustainable Development Summit

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Arnold Schwarzenegger, the Hollywood actor who was seen on screen saving the human race from artificially intelligent machines and former governor of California, is now trying to save the planet from the adverse impact of climate change.

The 64-year-old actor and politician, nicknamed "the Austrian Oak" during his fitness training days, said he wants to promote green and sustainable living with the same zeal with which he had promoted fitness during his younger days.

"I started weight training at the age of 15 and was awarded the title of Mr Universe at 20. At that time, I wanted to inspire people to be fitness conscious. Fitness was my crusade then, and green is my crusade now. I want to inspire people for sus-



Prime Minister Manmohan Singh and Hollywood actor and former governor of California, Arnold Schwarzenegger, at the inaugural session of the 12th Delhi Sustainable Development Summit in New Delhi, on Thursday. PHOTO: SANJAY K SHARMA

tainable living, the same way I did for fitness," Schwarzenegger said at the Sustainable Development Leadership Summit here today.

The summit is an annual event organised by The Energy and Resources Institute (Teri).

Be it fitness or sustainable living, Schwarzenegger, who

has also served as the Governor of California from 2003 to 2011, believes in leading by example. Arnold, who drives a Hummer back home, said he used bio-fuels to run the vehicle instead of gasoline which leads to less or no emission of green house gases.

Besides, Schwarzenegger, who had played the role of a doting father in the movie *Jingle all the way*, inculcates the same habit in his kids. "At home also, if my kids forget to turn off the lights, I unscrew the light in their room."

On his trip to India, Schwarzenegger said, "I was shooting for *The Last Stand* and I asked them to speed up the filming so that I could be free to come here. I always wanted to come to this land of culture and tradition." Though he didn't talk about whether he would like to have an association with Bollywood, but sure our Bollywood stars can take a lesson on sustainable lifestyle from the Hollywood legend.