



SOCIO-ECONOMIC CONDITION AND CRIME AGAINST ELDERLY PEOPLE

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ABSTRACT

Old age or elderly consists of ages nearing or surpassing the average life span of human beings. As per the National Policy on Older Persons, 1999, elderly or senior citizen is a person who is of age 60 years or above. This paper provides insight into the socio-economic condition of the senior people in conjunction with the social and health issues faced by elderly people. Commonly their needs and problems vary according to their age, family background, health condition, economic status, and living arrangements. Paper also discusses the different types of problems faced by the elder people in age-old time by the own family and also by the society, it also provides some of the suggestions to prevent the crime against elderly people start from family and society.

KEYWORDS

Socio-Economic Condition, Health, Purchasing Power, Social Support

INTRODUCTION

Old age is a universal phenomenon. Aging is usually outlined as a way of degradation within the practical capability of a person that results from structural changes, with advancement aged. High fertility and declining mortality are the main factors accountable for the population will increase in most countries of the world, particularly the developing ones. Longevity has raised considerably within a previous couple of decades primarily because of the socio-economic and health care developments. These factors are accountable for the upper numerical presence of senior individuals resulting in higher dependency quantitative relation. Demographers, researchers, and accountable citizens have begun to have faith in the aged population and its issues as a result of the demographic transition in several countries of the accumulation currently happening in an exceedingly a lot of shorter amount of your time. Aging of the population is going to be one amongst the main challenges of the close to future.

India has the succeeding largest older population. The quick aging of the population will produce economic and social challenges for society. On the opposite hand, aging will cause a social and economic imbalance within the society and family because it affects traditional life by moving, composition and character of the family. The older economic state of affairs deals with the housing and organization, completely different supply of economic support; additionally, old financial resource deals with differing kinds of pension, financial gain from the retail look, spouse, relatives and then on.

Many aged persons suffer from social, economic and health insecurity in adulthood and let down of the fundamental amenities. The old populations additionally suffer from socio-economic insecurity as they let down of adequate financial gain since the formal safety internet reaches out solely to a minor section of the population.

PROBLEMS AND CONDITIONS OF ELDERLY

There are so many problems and Ageing is the natural stage of human life, it brings with it innumerable problems for the people who have grown old, as follows,

The decrease in Purchasing Power

This problem generated in elderly people due to the economic irregularities in daily life, the working elder people can manage to get some of the things for themselves or for their family. This condition gets even delicate in the un-organized working elder people, the economic condition of this group without having the saving planning due to the lowest economic gain in the early period of life. The purchasing conditions of elder people get different with time i.e elders purchase daily needs is notably low than the purchasing of medical requirements.

The needs of elderly people requirements in purchase of daily needs are getting the verse in present days due to a drop in the economic condition of the elder people. To make difference in the purchase of the

elder people in all condition some of the schemes were playing a major role on the daily life of the elder people, which provided more than 600-1000 rupees per month to attain the daily required purchase for their life needs.

Economic Insecurity (Income Problem)

This is the one among drawback the matter of old people and this problem arises once old are unable to sustain themselves economically. They either lack the capability to be productive or lack the chance as they were before. They lose their independence because of increase in competition from the young generation, sluggishness in physical and mental schools, the mental attitude of society, deficiency disease, decrease in access to a resource, lack of awareness concerning the rights and entitlements with ever-changing times. These things play important roles in lowering the flexibility of recent aged to stay finically productive. Money security isn't only relevant to elders only however to those of alternative age teams. It ought to be taken care of that old who are capable should be intended if necessary should tend an aid for participating them in an economically productive manner. People who aren't ready to support themselves should lean full or partial welfare basic relief. The primary motivation comes from the family and community so that they should be inspired to support the elders via substance and self-governance

The Disintegration of the Social Support System

The disintegration of the elder people from society is very critical, which is making them to absence in the society that they are living in the current society with some of the norms. Here norms are really playing a crucial role that making them to really hard fight with present conditions of the society, modernize thoughts among the youth and family members, changing in the social values and respect towards the elderly people is really changing in present days. Breakdown in the social understanding of the elder people in modern days are different from the ancient days, which make a cultural difference, modern life attachment of children, lifestyle of the individual towards the once family making unwanted ignorance towards the elder people.

The life of elder people in ancient days was played a very important role in their family that sharing of knowledge for family and application of all other things as needs of the family that is made a very important inspiration to the next generation. As modernized lifestyle making lapse with this kind of relationship building knowledge from elder people to their children and grandchildren.

Health Problems

This is the main drawback of older individuals and that they face an excessive amount of health a tangle in their age attributable to metabolism processes slows down. People became weak each physically and mentally. They're additional susceptible to illness, diseases, syndromes, etc. The immunity of an individual is lowered. Older individuals are principally at risk of non-communicable diseases. Reducing health because of increasing age is sophisticated by

non-availability to sensible quality, age-sensitive, health take care of an oversized proportion of older persons within the country. Additionally, to the present poor accessibility and reach, lack of data and knowledge together with high prices of unwellness management makes adulthood care on the far side the reach of older persons, particularly those that are poor and underprivileged. Few diseases that are common with advancing age fleshiness, diabetes, graying of hair color, lessened hearing, wrinkling of the skin, liver spots on the skin, legerity and slower reaction times, reduced ability to clear thinking, diminished seeing, issue recalling recollections, weakness to bone diseases and etc.

Incomplete Preparedness for Old Age

Majority of individuals enter the age or older with little or no awareness of what it's on the point of providing to them. Whereas age of sixty years demographically acknowledges someone that he/she belongs to adulthood, there's no such clear indicator accessible to the individual. Every individual has a totally different trigger conversion that he or she feels that he's physiologically and functionally sufficiently old. This trigger purpose is before or when sixty years elderly. India lacks behind in it as there's the absence of formal awareness programs that should prepare them for adulthood. This drawback of preparation will only be prevented. Associate initiative to unfold awareness is started with within the workplace wherever the Human Resource department will take a lively role in making ready workers to face retirement and facing adulthood problems. For those that add, unorganized sector or freelance this work or awareness generation will be done by government departments or NGOs.

Housing Related Problems

The aged choose to accept their youngsters. Sons contemplate it their duty to appear when their aged oldsters and that they don't enable them to be sent to old-age homes. The joint family is the predominant home type in rural and concrete areas, and even within the slums. However once the aged don't have members of the family to worry for them, old-age homes are their expedient. Housing for aged should be appropriate not only to the living pattern that they need to be established in optimum health, however additionally to conditions of failing health and sickness. Greater part of housing for aged people is also found not adequate and not appropriate to their desires. The sizeable populations of aged widows and age males are facing the drawback of a shortage of peaceful place to measure it. With age, a typical grievance of the many aged is that the feeling of loneliness and sense of being isolated. In most case, isolation is obligatory purposefully by the families or communities wherever the maturity individual live in. ever-changing lifestyles and values, job culture, varied suggest that of distractions like net, television, social group shift like extended family structures and redefined priorities have led to exaggerated neglect of the aged by families or communities, and with this isolation comes in. With it, the matter of housing rises once more. It's not an only terrible factor however additionally it results in damaging the quality of life.

Elder Abuse Problem

Elder abuse is outlined as any unwell treatment to an older person. We've got a huge drawback with elder abuse, by that I mean the physical, psychological or sexual damage, neglect self-neglect or by a caregiver or money exploitation of vulnerable older individuals. Elder abuse all told their form is ugly, painful, expensive and easily wrong. The matter is additionally larger than the general public understand. 90% of elder abuse and neglect is perpetrated by somebody accepted to the victim, sometimes members of the family, specifically adult youngsters or spouses. As senior are comparatively weak, they're liable to physical abuse. They're abused financially, showing emotion, and mentally also for numerous reasons and in varied ways.

Psychological Problem

Psychology deals with the mental characteristics or perspective of someone behavior or group. The drawback is with the onset of maturity mental attitude conjointly changes. First of them is a concern that is faced by each rational and irrational senior. Idleness is different during which maturity person is formed to believe that he or she isn't physically productive or helpful and with it, he or she can't do abundant pregnant in his or her life. It happens because of infused inactivity, lack of non-public goals, and withdrawal from responsibilities. This features a large negative emotional impact on the person.

SUGGESTIONS

- The best type of protection from issues of elders is to stop them.

- It could be dispensed through awareness generation in families and within the communities.
- Elders are often intended and trained to figure on productive activities that may be helpful to them or profit their communities or families.
- It can change elders to stay dissatisfaction off from them and can strengthen them mentally.
- Recreational activities are to be promoted at very little or no extra value.
- Motivating them to try and do sure work utilizing their skills is a much more difficult task thus it needs a dedicated person who is determined to work with them in their atmosphere.
- And Restoring confidence is additionally a troublesome task collectively has got to determine and address the cause and take away it.
- The value of health treatment has got to be addressed in order that no one is denied necessary health look after monetary reasons.
- Rehabilitation, community or home-based mostly incapacity support and end-of-life care should even be provided wherever required, during a holistic manner, to effectively address the difficulty of failing health among the senior. For all this to happen government intervention is incredibly abundant necessary at the side of high-level social organization. A holistic approach to deal with the difficulty of social issues of elders is would like of the hour.

CONCLUSION

The main finding reveals that the majority of elderly previous belongs to the people of 56-60 years. They feel higher dependency during this stage the socio-economic insecurities are common among age previous majority of the respondents having sensible social contact with friends community members and neighbors. They need to guide life with all changes and commitments of family and community they pay time off to observe socio-religious celebrates and guide the young generation with the assistance of their information knowledge and skill. Health insecurities are common among age previous thanks to lack of data concerning sensible wholesome food and health facilities, they're facing some health problem issues insecurities they feel obsessed on others family difficulties brings hypertension among each male and female aged. The operating age previous conjointly feel economic insecurities. In their restricted financial gain they're unable to afford all medical expenses and different necessities; once more they depend upon different relations. They feel neglected by their relations. Majority getting on previous doesn't have a sensible and favorable perspective towards concerning their adulthood. They feel the burden and sad concerning their age. The illiterate age previous unable to know the government policies and programs that are provided for welfare getting on previous that the awareness required among illiterate age previous concerning government policies and programs.

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