

**International Seminar on
Protection with the Rights
of the Elderly in
Collaboration with
Presidency University**

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International Seminar on 'Protection of the Rights of Elderly People in India: Socio-Legal Issues, Challenges and Our Priorities in the Globalised Modernised World' in collaboration with NSS Cell, Presidency University- 2024

According to the **United Nations Population Fund**, the number of persons above 60 years is set to more than double from 100 million in 2011 to 230 million in 2036, making up nearly 15% of the total population. This is projected to further rise to 319 million by 2050, nearly one-fifth of the total population. India is supposedly held to be going through the third phase of demographic transition model. An overwhelming proportion of the elders in India are from the lower socio-economic strata. The vicious cycle of poor health and unaffordable health costs is further accelerated by their inability to earn a livelihood. As a result, not only are they economically unproductive but it also adds to their mental and emotional problems. The Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 (MWPSA Act, 2007) is a landmark social legislation aiming at provision of maintenance and welfare to old parents and senior citizens more effectively. This Act makes it legally obliging for adult children and heirs to provide for parents by way of a monthly allowance. This Act provides an inexpensive and speedy procedure to claim monthly maintenance for parents and senior citizens. According to this Act, parents could mean biological, adoptive or step-parents.

Surendranath Law College in collaboration with the NSS Cell, Presidency University, Kolkata organized a two-day International Seminar on the theme, '**Protection of the Rights of Elderly People in India: Socio-Legal Issues, Challenges and Our Priorities in the Globalised Modernised World**' on 25th and 26th April 2024. Dr. Mohammadi Tarannum, Vice Principal, Surendranath College and Prof. Sumita Saha, Professor, Dept. of Sociology, Presidency University were the joint Chairpersons of the seminar.

The seminar aimed to create awareness of a geriatric-friendly society and promote initiatives to sensitize the youth about the legal frameworks surrounding geriatric care and well-being. It sought to propagate legal knowledge to the caregivers and family members in society and actively engage the civic society in preventing mishaps of old patients in public spaces and recommend policy reforms that would address the gaps in existing socio-legal frameworks by holding discussions about the topic. This international seminar provided a forum where the civic society, caregivers, medical experts, social workers, and citizens can actively engage in dealing with ageing in society.

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

ON PROTECTION OF RIGHTS OF ELDERLY PEOPLE IN INDIA- SOCIO-LEGAL ISSUES, CHALLENGES AND OUR PRIORITIES IN THE GLOBAL MODERNISED WORLD

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ON 25TH AND 26TH OF APRIL, 2024 **TIME- 10 AM ONWARDS**
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DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS




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All are welcome

