

REGISTRATION FEE

There is no registration fee for participants/paper contributors. However it may be noted that in view of the limited accommodation, the center may accept a maximum of 30 participants with thematically relevant papers first cum first basis.

IMPORTANT DATES

Last date for Abstracts and Full paper submission: **07 September, 2019**

Acceptance notification of Abstract and full paper: **11 September, 2019**

Seminar dates: 03-04 October, 2019

SEMINAR VENUE

National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj(NIRD&PR), Rajendranagar, Hyderabad, Telangana – 500030

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About NIRD&PR

The National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj is an apex organization under the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India for training, research and consultancy in Rural Development. It is the Think tank of GOI on issues pertaining to Rural Development. The Institute serves as a forum for discussion and debate on issues of common concerns, attracts academics and developmental practitioners from all over the country and abroad. NIRDPR trains more than 4000 senior level administrators, planners and Rural Development functionaries every year. The Institute has well-organized and full computerized library with a collection of over 90,000 volumes. To meet the growing organizational and research needs the institute as a fully equipped computer lab with the state-of-the art technology.

Location

The institute is located in the serene rural surroundings of Rajendranagar, about 15Kms, away from the historical city of Hyderabad in Telangana State in the southern part of India. It is well connected by air, road and train.

National Seminar

to mark the

International Day of Older People 2019

On

**“Quality of life of Senior Citizens:
Issues and the Way Forward”**

(October 03-04, 2019)



Venue: NIRD & PR, Hyderabad



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BACKGROUND

Senior citizen population is a global phenomenon. One of the undeniable fact of Human life is that the ageing process is basically normal. A central concept in any discussion ageing is the meaning of age itself. The senior Citizens as per the United Nations are referred to as people of 60 years of age and above. In Indian context also the same reference is being followed.

The main problem with Senior Citizens in India is poverty and nearly 70% of the Senior Citizens live in the rural areas and who works in the subsistence economy. Because of the elderly persons have little or no money, they suffer from malnutrition leading to depression and confusion. In addition to problems of illiteracy, unemployment, Widowhood and disabilities, Older Women in India also face life-long gender based discrimination, resulting in differential patterns of ageing of men and women. The global demographic trend indicates that the ageing of the World population is progressive and rapid. As long as fertility continuous to fall or remain low and old age mortality keeps on declining, the proportion of Senior Citizens will continue to increase.

Population ageing has profound social, economic and political implications on society. The increasing number of older persons put a strain on health care and social care systems in the country. A sizeable portion of money is spent on meeting requirement of old age population. Government, thus, has to face the double whammy. On one side the resources are shrunk, on the other, expenditure is increased. To face the challenges of ageing population, the country needs to be well prepared for older population to adapt to a changing society.

Suitable redistributive policies are required. New priorities must be added to the scarce resources for social programs for elderly, while still having to deal with the problems of the younger populations. Women issues also are of paramount importance in considering social policies for elderly population. Appropriate care and support for them is a priority.

In order to deliberate on different aspects of policy and research for improving the Quality of life of Senior Citizens, the Centre for Equity & Social Development, National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj is proposing to organize a two-day National Seminar on October 03-04.2019 in connection with the observance of International Day of Older People - 2019 on "Quality of life of Senior Citizens". The day is celebrated annually to recognize the contributions of older persons and to examine issues that affect their lives.

In view of the above, this National Seminar proposes to bring insights from divorce disciplines and seeks to relocate development in the framework of Social Justice and promoting Human Rights especially for improving the quality of life of Senior citizens in a sustainable way. The purpose of the Seminar is to facilitate the discussion for action through partnership, collective action and accountability for improving the life or elderly.

OBJECTIVES OF THE SEMINAR

- a. To explore the issues related to ageing population
- b. To examine the various policies and programmes of Social Justice/welfare and their implication on Life of Elderly people.
- c. To highlight the development in the framework of Social Justice for improving the quality of life of Senior citizens

OUTCOME

The papers presented in the seminar will be published in the form of an edited book. The observations related to policies and programmes will be used as inputs in the training programmes.

MAIN THEME

"Quality of life of Senior Citizens: Issues and the Way Forward"

SUB THEMES

Papers highlighting policy related issues and ground realities with the analytical base are invited on the following themes for presentation and discussion in the respective sessions to be chaired by subject experts.

1. Aging in India – Policy response
2. Attitude and Behavioural change towards the Elderly
3. Home care and safety for the older people
4. Positive Aging
5. Aging and Public Health
6. Economic and Social Concerns and Status of Senior Citizens
7. Gender Disparities in Old Age
8. E-Governance for Ageing Society
9. Age friendly community and Role of Local Governance

PARTICIPANTS

Papers are invited from academicians, subject experts, policy practitioners of rural development, Social welfare and Social justice Departments, project functionaries and representatives of NGOs working in Rural Development sector.

PRESCRIBED FORMAT

The paper should be submitted in 'Times New Roman', font size 12, 1.5 spaced with margin 1 ½ " on the left side and 1" on the other three sides which will be screened by review committee. Abstract /paper (Max 500/3000 words) may be submitted electronically to cesd2019@gmail.com and hard copy to Seminar Convenor Dr. T. Vijaya Kumar, Associate Prof & Head, CESD, NIRD&PR, Hyderabad-500030

LOGISTICS

The contributors of the papers will be provided free board and lodging in NIRD&PR Guest House. Select paper contributors would be considered for payment of TA, maximum up to 2nd AC (Train) on production of tickets as per NIRD&PR norms.