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The Situation and Problems of Elderly in Rural Society

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Abstract

Rural society is an important society in India. Around 74% population of India is scattered six lakhs villages. Total 65% proportion is present in an Indian economy. Elderberry population still exist and works in the farming sector. Rural elderly an important part rural of society. But in the study, it is notice that rural elderly sometimes ignored and exploited by rural system. As Population ageing is a recognized international reality, both in developed and developing countries. India is also having same situation about elderly in rural society. The number of elderly in the developing world is increasing per the demographic proportion.

While perusing the study on elderly, to be focus on their various problems and identify the overall situation. As per the dictionary of medical sources, the man who has crossed 60 years accommodate in the category of elderly. Elderly person also assume that he or herself weak and outdated. In today's age of globalization the status, structure and various problems are reflected to old persons.

Introduction

India is an agriculture country. Around 75% Indian population lives in Six lakh villages. India is famous in the world due to Indian rural society and rural culture. Indian rural culture always accepted and gives the place to "Atithi Deo Bhav". Giving the respect to senior and old person is a trend and tendency of Indians. Therefore respect, prestige and proper placeto old person is tradition in rural society.

Rural society has the joint family system where all family members live together. Senior and old person monitor and control the familiar, social activities with sorting the problems. Guidance, respect, involment in cultural and religious activities of elderly is the part of rural life. Elderly have the basic agriculture knowledge which they hand over to young generation. Years to years this system has been carry forward in village society. Place in the Panchayat Raj system, Mukhiya, Judge etc role also used to play by elderly in rural society.

Causes of declined situation of elderly in rural society-

Old is gold is the proverb available in rural society. Earlier old person was treated respectfully. But unfortunately in current scenario the status, position and role have been change d and so many problems are rising in front of rural elderly.

1) Transformation of joint family to nuclear family-

Every day, people starttowards cities. Therefore joint family is converting into nuclear family. Joint family preserves the things for elderly but nuclear

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