



**Newsletter For Senior Citizen Employment Opportunities** 







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# Unleashing the Spirit of 2025 A Golden Age Beckons!

## **EDITORIAL**

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As the sun rises on a new year, Prarambh proudly brings you its first issue of 2025—a heartfelt tribute to the boundless potential of senior citizens. This edition encapsulates the essence of progress and purpose, with stories, insights, and initiatives that celebrate the indomitable spirit of our elders.

In a society that is increasingly dynamic and interconnected, seniors are not mere spectators; they are contributors, innovators, and torchbearers of wisdom. This month, we shine a spotlight on the job market for senior citizens, showcasing opportunities that not only provide financial security but also ensure meaningful engagement. Let us break barriers, redefine stereotypes, and unlock the immense potential of this golden demographic.

Dr. Sachindra Narayan takes us on a profound journey in his article, Redefining Golden Years: Building a Secure, Independent, and Dignified Future for Senior Citizens. He explores the evolving aspirations of seniors, emphasizing the importance of economic independence, active participation, and social inclusion. His words inspire us to envision a world where aging is a celebration of strength and resilience.

In today's tech-savvy world, we often find ourselves overwhelmed by the digital deluge. Vedabhyas Kundu and Ms. Munazah Shah bring a refreshing perspective in their thought-provoking piece, Come Let's Encourage Cyber-Fasting for a Joyful World. They remind us that a balance between digital connectivity and real-world interactions is key to fostering harmony and wellbeing.

For those embracing the digital age, Ms. Savita More's guide to Must-Have Apps for Senior Citizens is a treasure trove of knowledge. From health monitoring to financial planning, these apps empower seniors to lead safer, smarter, and more convenient lives.

On the health front, nutrition remains a cornerstone of well-being. Ms. Swayam Siddha Dash highlights Super Foods for Seniors, offering practical insights on strengthening immunity through diet.

The activities of the Society For Empowerment (SFE) continue to inspire us. In December 2024, the launch of the Prarambh issue was accompanied by a spirited discussion on The Role of Senior Citizens in the Digital Age. This event resonated with the idea that seniors are not only adapting to but thriving in the digital world. Meanwhile, a health camp led by renowned doctors at Shahpur Village underscored SFE's commitment to holistic well-being.

As we step into this new year, let us pledge to embrace change, challenge conventions, and champion the cause of our seniors. Together, we can create a society where the golden years truly shine with independence, dignity, and joy.

**Happy New Year!** 

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# **Job Openings For Seniors**

## A Unique Initiative For Seniors wherein the Job Openings for the Seniors above Age of 50 is delved out for their information knowledge and competitiveness.

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- Deputy Secretary National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions (NCMEI)- Max Age Upto 56
   Years- Position in Delhi

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 Adviser (Transport and Communication)- North Eastern Council Secretariat; Max Age Upto 56 Years-Position in Delhi

#### https://necouncil.gov.in/sites/default/files/SAP 0109.pdf

Consultant Drug Procurement - Uttar Pradesh Medical Supplies Corporation Limited; Max Age Upto 56
 Years- Position in Lucknow

#### https://upmsc.in/home/Recruitment

 Executive Director- National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC); Max Age Upto 56 Years-Position in Gurgaon

#### https://www.ncdc.in/documents/career/4109291124Vacancy-Circular Executive-Director.pdf

- · Advisor-Telecom Regulatory Authority of India; Max Age Upto 58 Years-Position in Jaipur <a href="https://www.trai.gov.in/sites/default/files/2024-12/Vacancy\_26122024.pdf">https://www.trai.gov.in/sites/default/files/2024-12/Vacancy\_26122024.pdf</a>
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- · Consultant (Legal)- Ministry of Textiles; Max Age Upto 64 Years- Position in Delhi https://texmin.nic.in/services/om-regarding-vacancy-circular-engagement-one-retired-person-legal-background-rank-us-ds
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- · Chief Risk Officer- The Bihar State Co-operative Bank Ltd; Max Age Upto 65 Years- Position in Delhi <a href="https://biharscb.co.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/adv">https://biharscb.co.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/adv</a> cro.pdf

Consultant (Quality Assurance)- Superannuated Employee of IOL; Max Age Upto 62 Years- Position in



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For Senior Jobs visit <a href="https://www.sfe.org.in/job\_search.php">https://www.sfe.org.in/job\_search.php</a>

## **Redefining Golden Years:**

# Building a Secure, Independent, and Dignified Future for Senior Citizens

Dr. Sachindra Narayan\*



NARENDRA MODI Prime Minister

"Today, if we are able to work so rapidly to create a new India, it is because of the foundation our senior citizens laid. The value and wisdom of our senior citizens are important for us. We have given top most focus for dignity, financial security and well-being of our senior citizens".

> NARENDRA MODI Prime Minister

India is on the cusp of a dramatic demographic shift, transitioning from a nation of youth to a rapidly aging society. By 2050, senior citizens are expected to constitute nearly 19% of the total population, a sharp increase from 8% in 2015. This burgeoning population of senior citizens demands a robust framework to address their socio-economic and housing needs, ensuring an independent and dignified post-retirement life. The emergence of Retirement Homes as a solution offers a glimpse into the future of aging with grace.

#### **Constitutional and Legislative Safeguards**

Article 41 of the Indian Constitution underscores the State's commitment to providing support for old age, sickness, and disability. Building upon this foundation, the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007, enforces a legal obligation for children and relatives to care for their elderly. However, beyond familial

support, senior citizens need access to facilities and services that align with modern aspirations of active aging.

#### **Retirement Homes: A Modern Solution**

Retirement Homes cater to the growing urban, middle, and upper-income senior demographic seeking independent living in a community setting. Recognized under the Real Estate

(Regulation and Development) Act (RERA), Retirement Homes are not just housing projects; they are ecosystems designed to enhance quality of life for senior citizens.

Key features of these homes include:

- Ownership and Reverse Mortgage Models: Seniors can either own their apartments outright or opt for reverse mortgages, ensuring financial liquidity while retaining residence rights.
- Customizable Services: From laundry to meal services, personal care attendants, and highspeed internet, the focus is on tailored solutions.
- Advanced Technology: Integration of GPSenabled devices, wearable health trackers, and connected systems provides real-time health monitoring and safety.
- Social Integration: Co-development with orphanages and daycare centers fosters intergenerational bonding, combatting loneliness and enriching lives.

## **Ensuring Standards and Incentivizing Development**

Retirement Homes to operate under stringent guidelines, adhering to the National Building Code, Model Building Bye-Laws, and NDMA guidelines. This ensures barrier-free environments and compliance with safety standards. Incentives such as additional Floor Area Ratio (FAR) for developers encourage investments, while financial institutions are motivated to fund these specialized projects.

#### **Promoting Active and Purposeful Living**

These homes go beyond providing shelter. They offer opportunities for part-time work, community engagement, and skill-sharing, helping seniors remain mentally and physically active. The emphasis is on creating a holistic environment where residents can thrive, not just survive.

#### **Building a Cohesive Society**

The concept of Retirement Homes coupled with spaces for dependent groups like children promotes a harmonious society. Shared green spaces and collaborative activities bridge generational gaps, fostering mutual respect and understanding.

**Customizable Services:** On-demand amenities like laundry, special dietary meals, and personal care assistance.

**Technology Integration:** GPS-enabled devices, wearable health trackers, and 24/7 emergency response systems.

#### **Ownership Flexibility:**

**Direct Ownership:** Purchase apartments with rights for resale or inheritance.

**Reverse Mortgages:** Unlock financial stability by mortgaging property for regular income while retaining residence rights.

#### **Social Engagement:**

- Green spaces and community hubs encourage social interaction.
- Intergenerational Bonding: Cohabitation with orphanages or daycare centers fosters mutual learning and emotional connection.

#### Key Innovations on the Horizon:

- Smart Homes: Voice-activated devices, automated lighting, and connected appliances.
- Health Monitoring: Real-time health tracking through integrated wearables and telemedicine services.
- Eco-Friendly Communities: Green buildings, solar power, and sustainable practices.

#### The Road Ahead

As India progresses toward becoming an aging society, Retirement Homes symbolize the future of inclusive and progressive senior care. By blending legal frameworks, technological advancements, and innovative living models, they promise a dignified and fulfilling life for seniors. Policymakers, developers, and communities must collaborate to scale these initiatives, ensuring that our elders age not only with dignity but also with joy and purpose.

The golden years of life deserve to shine bright, and with forward-thinking solutions like Retirement Homes, we can build a society where aging is celebrated, not feared.

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## Come Let's Encourage



# Cyber- Fasting for a Joyful World



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The excessive love and addiction for smart phones especially amongst the younger generation is leading to Inexplicable situations. More than often we find a young person crossing the road using the mobile virtually unconcerned about the moving traffic. Whether in metros, buses, or while eating at home or in restaurant, individuals remain glued to their smart phones unmindful of people around them. Also majority of the individuals are

unaware of the ill-effects of smart phone addiction and the toll it takes in our physical or mental health.

While children and adolescents are always at high risk of ending up being smart phone addict, a situation wherein they become fidgety if their phone is not with them or they are not browsing it, numerous studies show how such addictions lead to negative addiction. Numerous studies suggest how the over dependency on gadgets leads to anxiety

and depression, besides other mental health issues.

Just reflect on the time you were glued to your mobile browsing through your social media handle or seeing a movie through Netflix in night. You were feeling sleepy yet fighting the sleep to see the movie. Probably well after midnight, when you have finished seeing the movie and your eyes red due to the overexposure, you try to go to sleep. But you will realize that the urge to sleep which was bothering you was no longer there. Different research suggests that the 'blue-ish' emitted by these electronic devices disrupts the normal sleep pattern. Well, this issue of sleeping disorder is not the only problem we might face due to over exposure and addiction to our smart phones and the almost complete dependency on the Internet. There are several others which include: lower concentration, creativity blocks, aggravated attention deficit, stress, loneliness, insecurity, impaired relationships, different psychological disorders and even reduced level of cognition.

Definitely we think this addiction to smart phones and the over-dependence on the Internet is a global pandemic and needs urgent attention. There are several synonymous terms which have evolved for Internet addiction. These includes: cyberspace addiction, online addiction, net addiction, Internet addicted disorder and high Internet depend. While there are groups around the world which are trying to find solutions to limit the use of smart phones and reduce Internet addiction amongst individuals especially young people, we will in this conversation focus on cyber fasting.

Vedabhyas Kundu: Munazah, let us first share with all the concept of cyber fasting and how it evolved. To mark the 148th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the children and youth group, The Peace Gong initiated cyber-fasting to encourage individuals to limit the use of their smart phones, log off from their virtual world and enjoy the world around them. It was a brain child of Prof T K Thomas, a veteran media educationist and one of the founders of The Peace Gong. Since time

immemorial, fasting has been considered as an apt remedy for a variety of issues like weight control, blood sugar control and several other medical concerns. It is also considered as an important ingredient for cleansing our bodies, a strategy for relaxation and healing. It has always played an important role in different cultures and religion across the world.

The aim of cyber-fasting according to The Peace Gong was to encourage individuals to completely log off from their smart phones and the virtual world for a specific period of time. Initially, it was encouraged to do cyber-fasting during Gandhi Jayanti (October 2, International Day of Nonviolence), Martyrdom Day (January 30) and a few other important days associated with Mahatma Gandhi. The concept of cyber fasting was a tribute to Mahatma Gandhi who used the strategy of fasting for self-purification and to raise his voice for truth and nonviolence. During the course of India's freedom struggle, he resorted to fasting for several causes to promote peace and harmony.

Munazah Shah: Definitely, Vedabhyas, cyber fasting if promoted at different forums right from our schools, colleges, and in different institutions can have positive effect to nullify the negative impact of the pandemic that the world presently is facing. This pandemic of over-use of smart phones, Internet, and other electronic devices is now a global public health concern. A recent study on how Internet addiction affects the behaviour and development of adolescents by the University College London points out, "There was an overall decrease in the functional connectivity in the parts of the brain involved in active thinking (the executive control network). These changes were found to lead to addictive behaviours and tendencies in adolescents, as well as behaviour changes associated with intellectual ability, physical coordination, mental health and development.

https://www.ucl.ac.uk/news/2024/jun/internet-addiction-affects-behaviour-and-development-adolescents

It is in this backdrop, we must promote cyber-fasting. It is extremely critical given the enormous amount of information and toxic messages that keep on getting accumulated in our mind due to our addiction to smart phones and the Internet. In this context, it would be apt to remember the Mahatma who had written in his Autobiography, "Fasting and similar discipline is, therefore, one of the means to the end of self-restraint, but it is not all, and if physical fasting is not accompanied by mental fasting, it is bound to end in hypocrisy and disaster."

So Vedabhyas, we must promote cyber-fasting as a form of both physical and mental fasting which has major health benefits for us. When we are doing cyber-fasting, we are limiting the use of our eyes seeing the screen, our shoulders as we are not using our smart phones or other electronic devices, and we are not sitting or lying continuously glued to the mobile. It definitely helps in our physical well-being. Moreover, as during cyber-fasting, we are not uploading junk messages, junk information and toxic resources in our brain; it helps in our mental well-being.

Vedabhyas, let us shape events and campaigns to make cyber-fasting a smart thing to do today which contributes to our joy, happiness and well-being.

Vedabhyas Kundu: I totally agree with you Munazah. The idea and importance of cyber-fasting can be made popular in schools, colleges and other institutions. At a time when the intricate relationships in families are getting disrupted due to over-use of smart phones and Internet, Munazah, I think we could start by promoting the concept at the family levels. Let us motivate families to shun their devices while eating, and encourage them to spend time together. Recently, I was having a conversation with Prof Biplab Loho Choudhury, Visva- Bharati University, Shantiniketan in this regard. He was concerned at the poor level of communication amongst family members today. Father goes in one way, mother in another opposite direction, and children in totally reverse direction.

Even on Sundays, family members, if they are at home prefer to remain glued in their smart phones and browse their favourite social media handles or see movies, etc.

**Munazah Shah:** So Vedabhyas, in order to promote cyber-fasting as an in-thing for individuals who give primacy to their well-being and happiness let us try to do the following:

- Connect with schools and other educational institutions with a flyer. We can encourage young people to take pledge to do cyber-fasting.
- Motivate institutions to do special events where individuals come together, have fun and take up in talks but refrain from using their smart phones during the event.
- Encourage people to take up the practice of journaling for self-reflection, self-introspection and expression of gratitude instead of browsing their smart phones. This is a powerful strategy of mental fasting.
- Encourage people to take up cyber-fasting in special days.
- Recognize the efforts of individuals and institutions that encourage and promote cyberfasting.

We sincerely believe that for a joyful world which promotes deeper connections amongst individuals and their genuine happiness, we must encourage cyber-fasting as a strategy at a global level. It will not only work as a potion for smart phone and Internet addiction, it will genuinely contribute to our physical and mental well-being. Cyber-fasting to us is an essential pillar of our concept of Joyful Talisman, human values for a joyful world. It needs to be an important life-skill to be practiced in this hyper technological age. Besides, we feel logging- off can also contribute to both inner and outer peace. We invite institutions and individuals to organize campaigns and events which encourages cyber-fasting.

## Must-Have Apps for Senior Citizens: Making Life Easier and Safer



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In today's digital world, smartphones have become indispensable tools for people of all ages.

For senior citizens, these devices are not just about staying connected—they're powerful tools

to simplify daily life, improve safety, and enhance well-being. Below is a list of essential apps that every senior should consider installing on their phones.

#### 1. WhatsApp

WhatsApp is a user-friendly messaging app that makes staying in touch with family and friends simple. With features like text messaging, audio, and video calls, it's an excellent way for seniors to maintain strong connections with their loved ones.

#### 2. Medisafe

The Medisafe app acts as a personal medication manager. It provides timely reminders for taking medicines, ensuring that seniors adhere to their prescribed dosage schedules with ease and accuracy.

#### 3. Google Maps

Google Maps is a must-have for navigating and discovering new places. Whether planning a trip or finding nearby services, this app provides accurate directions and helps seniors feel confident while traveling.

#### 4. Senior Safety App

Designed specifically for senior citizens, the Senior Safety App offers features like emergency contacts, health tracking, and alert notifications. It's a reliable companion for enhancing personal safety and peace of mind.

#### 5. Pill Reminder

Similar to Medisafe, Pill Reminder allows seniors to organize and track their medication schedules. With customizable alerts, it ensures no dose is missed.

#### 6. YouTube

YouTube is an excellent source of entertainment and education. Seniors can explore tutorials, watch movies, listen to music, or even learn new hobbies—making it a great tool for leisure and lifelong learning.

#### 7. Facebook

Facebook helps seniors connect with friends and family across the globe. They can share updates, post photos, and engage with their community, staying socially active in the digital space.

#### 8. Headspace

This meditation and mindfulness app supports mental well-being. With guided meditation sessions and relaxation techniques, Headspace is perfect for reducing stress and promoting inner peace.

#### 9. Zoom

Zoom facilitates seamless video communication, allowing seniors to virtually meet family, friends, or even participate in group activities. It's especially helpful for those who cannot travel frequently.

#### 10. MedlinePlus

MedlinePlus provides reliable medical information on a variety of health topics. Seniors can access trusted advice, tips, and resources to better understand and manage their health conditions.

#### Conclusion

By incorporating these apps into their daily lives, seniors can enhance their independence, safety, and engagement. Smartphones, paired with the right tools, empower older adults to stay active, connected, and informed. Don't wait—download these apps today to experience the difference!

# Super Foods for Seniors:

## **Strengthening Immunity through Nutrition**

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As we age, our body's immune system faces many challenges. A healthy and strong immune system can greatly impact the quality of life, especially for seniors. By consuming the right nutrition and superfoods, we can strengthen our immunity. In this article, we will discuss some important superfoods that are beneficial for the health of seniors and help boost their immunity.

#### What is the Immune System?

The immune system is the body's defense system, which protects us from diseases and infections. In old age, our immune system may weaken, making us more susceptible to diseases. Therefore, it is important to choose the right nutrition and consume immunity-boosting foods.

#### **Superfoods: A Treasure Trove of Health**

Superfoods are foods that contain high nutrients and are very beneficial for health. Here are some of the top superfoods that can help boost immunity in senior citizens.

#### Broccoli

Broccoli is a green vegetable that is rich in vitamin C, vitamin K, and many antioxidants. It strengthens the body's immune system and helps fight free radicals. Consuming broccoli regularly reduces inflammation and boosts immunity.

#### Berries (like blueberries and strawberries)

Berries contain antioxidants like anthocyanins that help reduce inflammation. They are a good source of natural sugars and fiber, which maintain energy when consumed regularly. Eating berries also improves mental health, which is especially important in old age.

#### Walnuts

Walnuts contain high amounts of omega-3 fatty acids and antioxidants. These are beneficial for heart health and also strengthen the immune system. Regular consumption of walnuts helps reduce inflammation and improve mental health.

#### **Yogurt**

Yogurt is a probiotic food, which is extremely beneficial for gut health. Probiotics help maintain

good bacteria in the intestines, thereby improving immunity. The calcium and protein present in yogurt are also important for bone and muscle health.

#### Lemon

Lemon is an excellent source of vitamin C, which helps strengthen the immune system. Its antioxidant properties are also helpful in fighting infections. Mixing lemon in warm water and consuming it in the morning can be a healthy habit.

#### Chia seeds

Chia seeds contain fiber, protein, and omega-3 fatty acids. All these nutrients strengthen the body's immune system. Chia seeds can be used in salads, yogurt or smoothies.

#### Moringa (drumstick)

Moringa is a medicinal plant, which is rich in vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants. It helps in improving the body's immune system as well as increasing energy. You can consume Moringa leaves or use it in powder form.

#### Oats

Oats are an excellent source of fiber, protein and antioxidants. They are helpful in maintaining heart health and controlling cholesterol levels. Eating oats for breakfast keeps you energetic throughout the day.

#### Garlic

Garlic has antibiotic and antiviral properties. It improves the immune response and helps fight infections. Garlic can be used to reap the benefits of its benefits by adding it to vegetables or eating it raw.

Regular consumption of superfoods can be extremely beneficial for senior citizens. These foods not only boost immunity but also help improve overall health. Therefore, it is important to follow a balanced diet and include these superfoods in your everyday diet. Along with this, regular exercise and adequate sleep are also helpful in maintaining health. Pay attention to your diet to maintain safety and health and make life positive and active!

# THE CHALLENGES OF LONELINESS AND BOREDOM AMONGST INDIA'S ELDERLY

#### Sh. Manoj Ambastha

#### THE LONELINESS EPIDEMIC AMONG INDIA'S

**ELDERLY:-** Loneliness is a growing problem among India's elderly population. According to the Longitudinal Ageing Study of India (LASI), over 20% of adults aged 60 and above reported moderate to severe loneliness. This number is likely to grow as India's population continues to age — by 2050, it's estimated that 19.5% of Indians will be senior citizens.

**FACTORS RESPONSIBLE:-**There are several factors contributing to this epidemic of elder loneliness in India:-

- 1. CHANGING FAMILY STRUCTURES:-The traditional joint family system, where multiple generations lived together, is giving way to nuclear families. As younger people move away for work, their elderly parents and grandparents are left behind.
- **2. LACK OF SOCIAL CONNECTIONS:-** With fewer family members around, seniors have fewer opportunities for social interaction. Many live alone or have limited contact with friends and neighbors.
- **3. RETIREMENT AND LOSS OF PURPOSE:-** When seniors retire from their jobs, they can lose an important source of social connection and sense of purpose. Without work to fill their days, they may feel adrift.
- **4. HEALTH ISSUES:-** Chronic illnesses, disabilities and mobility challenges can make it harder for seniors to get out and socialize. Hearing and vision loss can also contribute to isolation.
- **5. WIDOWHOOD:-** Losing a spouse is a major risk factor for loneliness. Women are especially vulnerable, as they tend to outlive their husbands.

The consequences of this loneliness can be severe. Studies show that lonely seniors are at higher risk for depression, anxiety, cognitive decline, and even physical health problems like heart disease and

weakened immune systems. Loneliness has been linked to a 50% increased risk of dementia.

In addition to loneliness, many Indian seniors struggle with boredom and lack of purpose in their later years. As they lose their jobs, social roles and daily routines, they can feel adrift and unsure of how to fill their time.

This is especially true for seniors who are not engaged in family caregiving responsibilities. With smaller families and more women working outside the home, there are fewer grandchildren to care for. And with fewer joint families, seniors may not have the same level of involvement in running the household.

Boredom and lack of purpose can take a toll on mental health. Seniors who don't feel they have anything meaningful to do may become depressed, anxious or apathetic. They may lose motivation to take care of their health or engage in activities they once enjoyed.

#### IMPORTANCE OF STAYING ACTIVE AND ENGAGED

While retirement can be a challenging transition, it also presents an opportunity for seniors to explore new interests, learn new skills and find new ways to contribute. Staying physically, mentally and socially active is the key to healthy aging and maintaining a sense of purpose.

**BENEFITS OF STAYING ACTIVE AND ENGAGED:**Some of the benefits of staying engaged in later life include:

- Improved physical health and reduced risk of chronic diseases
- Better cognitive function and reduced risk of dementia
- Lower rates of depression and anxiety
- Stronger social connections and reduced loneliness
- A greater sense of purpose and meaning in life

To reap these benefits, it's important for seniors to find activities they enjoy and that provide a sense of accomplishment. The key is to find activities that are stimulating, meaningful and social. Engaging in solitary hobbies is good, but it's also important to have opportunities for interaction and connection with others.

#### THE ROLE OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

While seniors themselves play a big role in staying active and engaged, they need support from their families and communities as well. Family members can help by:

- Regularly visiting and checking in on elderly relatives
- Encouraging them to pursue hobbies and social activities
- Helping them learn to use technology to stay connected
- Involving them in family events and decisionmaking
- Treating them with respect and valuing their wisdom.

#### **COMMUNITIES CAN SUPPORT SENIORS BY:**

- Providing accessible public spaces for socializing and recreation
- Offering affordable and engaging programs and activities for seniors
- Ensuring seniors have access to healthcare, transportation and other services
- Promoting positive attitudes towards aging and respecting elders
- Providing support and respite for family caregivers.

Governments also have a key role to play in supporting India's aging population. This includes:

- Ensuring adequate pensions and social security for seniors
- Providing affordable housing and healthcare options
- Funding programs and services to combat loneliness and social isolation
- Promoting age-friendly cities and communities
- Investing in research and data collection on aging issues.

By working together, families, communities and governments can help ensure that India's seniors are able to live with dignity, purpose and connection in their later years.

While aging brings challenges, it also brings opportunities for growth, learning and contribution. By staying active, engaged and connected, India's seniors can not only improve their own health and well-being, but also enrich the lives of those around them.

As a society, we have a responsibility to support and empower our elders. By valuing their wisdom, experience and ongoing contributions, we can create a more just, inclusive and vibrant India. When seniors feel respected, cared for and able to live with purpose, we all benefit.

So let us embrace the golden years and work together to create a society where no senior citizen feels alone or without meaning. By investing in our elders, we invest in the future of our nation. Let us build an India where every stage of life is celebrated and cherished.

# Launch of December 2024 Issue of "Prarambh" and Special Discussion on "The Role of Senior Citizens in the Digital Age"

#### New Delhi, December 10, 2024:

The Society for Empowerment (SFE) hosted the launch of the December 2024 issue of its flagship monthly magazine, Prarambh, alongside a special discussion on "The Role of Senior Citizens in the Digital Age". The event, held at the esteemed India International Centre, focused on the transformative impact of the digital revolution on senior citizens.

#### **DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS**

Professor S. Narayan, Chairman, SFE

**B. P. Singh,** Former Governor of Sikkim and Former Home Secretary, Government of India

**Dr. Chandrakant S. Pandav,** Renowned as the "lodine Man of India"

**K. C. Srivastava,** Director, India International Centre **Professor S. S. Bhakerai,** Academician

### दिसंबर 2024 अंक पारंभ का विमोचन और डिजिटल युग में वरिष्ठ नागरिकों की भूमिका पर विशेष चर्चा

नई दिल्ली। सोसाइटी फॉर एम्पावरमेंट (एसएफई) ने अपनी प्रमुख मासिक पत्रिका प्रारंभ के दिसंबर 2024 अंक का विमोचन और रहिजिटल यग में वरिष्ठ नागरिकों की भूमिकार पर एक विशेष चर्चा का आयोजन प्रतिष्ठित इंडिया इंटरनेशनल सेंटर में किया। इस कार्यक्रम में डिजिटल क्रांति के वरिष्ठ नागरिकों पर प्रभावों पर गहन विचार-विमर्श किया गया। कार्यक्रम में इस बात पर जोर दिया गया कि वरिष्ठ नागरिक अब केवल दर्शक नहीं, बल्कि सक्रिय योगदानकर्ता बनकर उभर रहे हैं। वे तकनीकी प्रगति को अपनाकर डिजिटल खाई को पाटने में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभा रहे हैं। श्री एन, एन, पांडे, प्रारंभ पत्रिका के संपादक ने कहा, वरिष्ठ नागरिकों के पास अनुभव और ज्ञान का खजाना है। जब यह डिजिटल उपकरणों के साध ज़ड़ता है, तो समाज में सकारात्मक



और परिवर्तनकारी योगदान होता है। कार्यक्रम में साइबर खतरों पर चर्चा की गई और वरिष्ठ नागरिकों को इनसे बचाव के लिए साइबर साक्षरता कार्यशालाओं में भाग लेने की सलाह दी गई। डॉ. पांडव ने आयोडीन उपयोग और सार्वजनिक स्वास्थ्य में सोशल मीडिया के प्रभाव पर चर्चा की। उन्होंने कहा, सोशल मीडिया ने आयोडीन की कमी से होने वाले खतरों को दूर करने के प्रयासों में अभृतपूर्व योगदान दिया है। इस कार्यक्रम ने डिजिटल प्रौद्योगिकी में वरिष्ठ नागरिकों की भूमिका और उनके समाज में योगदान को उजागर किया, जो समाज में परिवर्तन और समृद्धि लाने में सहायक है। प्रोफेसर एस. नारायण, अध्यक्ष, एसएफई ने कहा, डिजिटल युग वरिष्ठ नागरिकों के लिए अवसर और चुनौतियां दोनों प्रस्तुत करता है। मानसिक स्वास्थ्य और डिजिटल विभाजन को संबोधित करके, हम उन्हें समाज में सार्थक योगदान देने के लिए सशक्त बना सकते हैं।

नई विल्ली, मंगलवार, 11 विसम्बर, 2024

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डिजिडल शुग में चरिष्ठ नागरिकों का योगदान-कार्यक्रम में इस जात पर और दिया गया कि परिष्ठ नागरिक अन्य केवाल तर्शक गती, व्यक्तिक सक्रिय बीमहानकर्ता जनकर उपर रहे हैं। व वाक्तविकी प्रयति की अस्ताकर विकिटल सार्थ को पाटने में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभा रहे हैं। बी एन, एन, पांडे, प्रारंश प्रतिका के संपादक से कता, वरिष्ठ नागरिकों के पास अनुसन और ज्ञान का खलाना है। जब यह डिजिटन उपकरणों के साथ जहता है, ती समाज में सकारात्मक और परिवर्तनकारी वीगदान होता 命士

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वद्यमिता और विलीय साधारताः

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- स्वामानिकाम संपार्क अग्रेट सीरकाराः

व्यस्ति नागरिक सोपाल मीविया और अनिलाइन गंची का उपयोग कर अपने प्रियमनी से जुड़े रहाने, ज्ञान साधा करने और नए स्वीकाल सीरधने में व्यक्तिय अभिका विभा औ है।

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विक्रियंत्रक राज्यतीक के उपयोग से स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं की पहुंच आसान हुई है, और वरिष्ठ नागरिक डेलीवेडिसिन, चीन, और आयुर्वेड जीशी रोजाओं का लाज उठा रहे हैं।

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कार्नक्रम में साहबर खतरी पर चर्चा की गई और जॉराह नागरिकों को इनसे अधाव के लिए साइबर साधारता कार्यशालाओं में भाग लेने की राज्यात ही गई।

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हुए कहा, आईडी ने पहिलाओं की आर्थिक, सामाजिक और शैक्षणिक रूप से संगतः जनामा है।

हाँ, चांद्रकात एस, पांडच- आवीडीन उपवेश व बोक्काल मीजिया की भूतिकतः

हां. पाड़ब ने आवीडीन उपयोग और सार्वाजीतक स्वास्थ्य में सोमान मीजिया के प्रभाव पर चर्चा की। उन्होंने कहा, इसीमल मीडिया ने आवीडीन की कमी से होने वाले खतरों की दूर करने के प्रवासों में अचलपूर्व नोरकदान दिला है।

इस कार्यक्रम ने डिजिटल प्रीक्रीयकी में वरिष्ठ नागरिको की भूमिका और उनके समाज में बीगवान को उजागर किया, जो समाज में परिवर्तन और समुद्धि शाने में सतापक है।

#### जार्जका कर महरूव

प्रोफेसर एस. नारायण, जनवास, एसएस्ट ने कता, विजिटल युग वरिष्ठ मागरिको के लिए अवसर और चुनीतियां चेली प्रस्तुत करता है। मानसिक स्वास्थ्य और डिजिटल विभाजन की संबंधित करके, हम तन्त्रे समाज में सार्थक बोगवान देने के लिए कराक बना सकते हैं।

## STI A CHIVITA

#### Launch of December 2024 Issue of "Prarambh" and Special Discussion on "The Role of Senior Citizens in the Digital Age

New Delhi : The Society for Empowerment (SFE)

hosted the launch of the December 2024 issue of its flagship monthly magazine. Prarambh, alongside a special discussion on The Role of Sentor Citizens in the Digital Age". The event, held at the

extermed India International Centre, focused on the transformative impact of the digital revolution on se-

Distinguished Speakers

\*Professor 5. Narayan\*. Chairman, SFE

\*B. P. Singh\*, Former Governor of Sikkim and Former Home Secretary, Government of Lodia

\*Dr. Chandrakant S. Panday\* Renowned as the "lodine Man of India"

\*K. C. Srivastava\*, Director, India International Centre "Professor S. S. Bhakerat". Academician

Contributions of Senior Citizens in the Digital Age

The event highlighted that sentor citizens are no

Insights from Key Speak-



longer passive spectators but are emerging as active contributors, bridging the digital divide through their engagement with technology. Shri N. Pandey: Editor Prarambh. remarked, "Senior. citizens possess a wealth of experience and knowledge. When paired with digital tools, they can create transformative and positive societal impacts.

Discussions cybersecurity emphasized the importance of protecting seniors from online threats, with recommendations for participating in cyber literacy workshops.

B. P. Singh\* elaborated on the transformative impact of information technology (IT) on women in rural and urban India, stating, "IT has empoyeeed women economically, socially, and adjugationally.

 $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r})$ Chandrakant Panday\* discussed the cole of social media in promoting todine use for public health. He noted, "Social media has significantly contributed to rais ing awareness and combating todine defictency.

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Professor S. Narayan. Chairman, SFE, empha-sized, "The digital era presents both opportunities and challenges for sentor citizens. By addressing mental health and bridging the digital divide, we can empower them to contribute meaningfully to society.



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### दिसंबर २०२४ अंक प्रारंभ का विमोचन और डिजिटल युग में वरिष्ठ नागरिकों की भूमिका पर विशेष चर्चा

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#### शाहपुर गांव में सोसाइटी फॉर एम्पावरमेंट द्वारा स्वास्थ्य शिविर का आयोजन



शाहपुर गांव। सीसाइटी फॉर एम्पाबरमेंट (SFE) ने 15 दिसीबर 2024 की आपने शो इन फॉर ट्रोवरनेस सेंटर (Q-GIFT) में एक स्थास्थ्य शिविर का सफलतापूर्वक आयोजन किया। इस शिविर में 100 से अर्थिक वार्याणी ने लाभ उद्यमा। शास्त्रर, अर्गधा, नियचक, और चेरिया गांव के लोग इसमें शामिल हुए। शिविर मुपस STREET टायरनारिटक्स, और द्यावयी का विकास किया गया। इस आयोजन का उद्यादन Q-GIFT रॉटर की मेंटर बोमती शीधा नारायण और SFE के अध्यक्ष डॉ. राचिन्द्र नारायण ने किया। उन्होंने ग्रामीण समुदायों की गुणवत्तापुणं स्वास्थ्य शेवाएं प्रवास फरने के माराच पर प्रकास श्चाम्य ।

प्रमुख डॉक्टरों की भागीदारी शिविर में कई अनुभवी डॉक्टरों ने अपनी सेक्ट दी: दॉ. गोपाल कृष्ण (हेरिस्ट, पटना डेटल क्लोनिक, टेकारी, चया )। देत स्वास्थ्य परामशं और उपचार दिशा-विदेश प्रधान क्रिय।

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मुक्त दवाइयाः सामा भागारियों के लिए दखड़में और स्थास्थ्य फिट का विशास्त्र।

स्थापकरा आगस्य कर्णा स्थप्छला, पोषण, और संक्रागक रोगों की रोकधाम पर जागरूकता सप्तः पिछले स्वास्थ्य राजेंक्षण की जानकारी शातपुर में 2022 में डॉ. ज्योति बिक्त (कुलचीत, औरोबिके पुनिवसितं, इंदौर ) के मार्चदर्शन में फिए गए सर्वेक्षण में मधुमेह. श्रम रोग, और त्यचा संक्रमण जेंगी समस्याओं की धरधान की गई भी। इस शिविर ने उस सर्वेक्षण के आधार पर रोबाएं प्रदान की।

धामीणी की भागीवरी और सारचान- शिक्षित में ऑध्यक्त श्री प्रकास सक्तेचा ने समीजी के लिए मुफ्त कानुनी परामर्श की चीचना की। सामान जैसे भगवती सिंह, दिशंबर, कमलेल, और बशोदा ने इस प्रवास के लिए डॉक्टरों और रक्क का आचार न्यक किया।

ग्रामील स्थास्थ्य के लिए प्रतिबद्धता-डॉ. गोपाल कृष्ण ने कता, रवागीण क्षेत्रों में देव स्थारूप की अवसर जन्मभूतान क्रिया जनत है।



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## डिजिटल युग में वरिष्ठ नागरिकों की भूमिका पर चर्चा तथा प्रारंभ के दिसंबर अंक का हुआ विमोचन

नई दिल्ली। सोसाइटी फॉर घ्रम्पावरमेंट ने इंडिया इंटरनेशक्त सेंटर में अपनी मासिक पत्रिका प्रारंभ के दिसंबर 2024 अंक का विमोचन किया और दिजिटल

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कार्यक्रम में वरिष्ठ नागरिकों की डिजिटल साधरता, रोजगार, उद्यमिता, स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं तक पहुंच, और साइबर सुरक्षा में बदती भागीवारी पर प्रकाश जाला गया। एन, एन, पांडे, प्रारंभ के संपादक, ने कहा, वरिष्ठ नागरिक

अनुभव और तकनीकी प्रगति के साथ समाज में बद्धनाव के वाहक बन रहे हैं।एसएफई का सीनियर जॉब्स प्लेटफॉर्म वरिष्ठ नागरिकों को रोजगार और नए कीशल सीखने में मदद कर रहा है निशनल स्टॉक एक्सचेंज के



सहयोग से आयोजित इन्वेस्टर मीट ने वरिष्ठ नागरिकों को वितीय प्रबंधन और छोटे व्यवसाय शुरू करने में सक्षम बनाया सोशल मीडिया और ऑनलाइन फ्लेटफॉर्म्स के माध्यम से वरिष्ठ नागरिक सामाजिक रूप से जुड़े रहकर ज्ञान साझा कर रहे हैं (टेलीमेडिसन, चोच, और डिजिटल ----

हेल्च तकनीकों ने स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं की पहुंच की आसान बनाया है।साइबर खतरों से बचाव के लिए साइबर सुरखा कार्यहालाओं के आयोजन पर जोर दिया गना हवी. पी. सिंहः उन्होंने ग्रामीण और शहरी महिलाओं के जीवन में

> स्वता प्रौद्योगिकी के योगदान पर चर्चा की और इसे सामाजिक-आर्थिक सशक्तिकरण का माध्यम व्यवागाओं. चंद्रकात पांडवः उन्होंने सोलल मीडिया को आयो होन की कमी जैसे शार्व जनिक स्वास्थ्य मुद्धे के समाधान में महत्वपूर्ण बतायार्था, एस. नारायण ने कहा, डिजिटल युग चरिष्ठ नागरिकों को न केवल चुनीतियों बल्किनई संभावनाओं का सामना करने का अवसर भी देता है।एसएफई बरिष्ठ नागरिकों को

स्थास्थ्य, रोजगार और दिजिटल साधरता में सशक बनाने के लिए कार्यस्त एक अग्रणी संगठन है।यह कार्यक्रम चरिष्ठ नागरिकों की डिजिटल ग्रीचीगिकी में सक्रिय भूमिका और समाज में उनके सकारात्मक योगदान को उजागर करने में सफल रहा।

# RENOWNED DOCTORS LEAD HEALTH CAMP ORGANIZED BY SOCIETY FOR EMPOWERMENT AT SHAHPUR VILLAGE

Shahpur Village, Bela Block, Gaya | December 15, 2024

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#### **LEADING DOCTORS AT THE CAMP**

The Health Camp was distinguished by the participation of highly respected doctors, who brought specialized expertise to address the health concerns of the villagers:

## 1. Dr. Gopal Krishna (Dentist, Patna Dental Clinic, Tekari, Gaya):

o Provided oral health consultations and treatment guidance, focusing on dental hygiene and preventive care.

#### 2. Dr. S.S. Sinha (Eye Specialist, Patna):

o Conducted vision testing and advised on eye health, with free spectacles provided to those in need.

#### 3. Dr. Anup Sinha (General Physician, Gaya):

o Offered consultations for general health and chronic conditions like diabetes, hypertension, and respiratory issues.









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# शाहपुर गांव में स्वास्थ्य शिविर का आयोजन

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गया बिहार। शाहपुर गांव बेला प्रखंड गया में सोसाइटी फॉर एम्पावरमेंट द्वारा अपने केंद्र में एक दिवसीय स्वास्थ्य शिविर का आयोजन किया। इसमें

100 से अधिक ब्रामीणों ने भाग लिया। शाहपर, अगंधा, निमचक और भेरिया गांव के लोगों ने इस शिविर में

स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं का लाभ उठाया। शिविर में मुफ्त परामर्श, जांच और द्वाइयों का वितरण किया गया हुस शिविर का उद्घाटन केंद्र की मार्गदर्शिका शोभा नारायण और संगठन के अध्यक्ष सचिन्द्र नारायण ने किया। उन्होंने

> ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में गुणवत्तापूर्ण स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं की जरूरत पर जोर दिया। शिविर में शामिल डॉक्टरों ने ग्रामीणों को परामर्श दिया और उनका इलाज किया हाँ, गोपाल कृष्ण ने दंत स्वास्थ्य परामशं और उपचार दिशा-निर्देश दिए। डॉ. एस. एस. सिन्हा ने आंखों की जांच की और जरूरतमंदी को मुफ्त चरमे प्रदान किए। डॉ. अनुप सिन्हा ने सामान्य स्वास्थ्य और दीर्घकालिक बीमारियों जैसे मध्यमेह व उच्च रक्तचाप पर परामर्श

दिया।शिविर में रक्त शकरा, रक्तचाप और होमोम्लोबिन की जांच की गई। ब्रामीणों को सामान्य बीमारियों के लिए मुफ्त दवाइयां दी गई। इसके अलावा, स्वच्छता, पोपण और संक्रामक रोगों की रोकथाम पर जागरूकता सत्र भी आयोजित किए गए संगठन ने 2022 में शाहपर में हए एक स्वास्थ्य सर्वेश्वण की रिपोर्ट के आधार पर सेवाएं प्रदान कीं। उस सर्वेक्षण में मधुमेह, क्षय रोग और त्वचा संक्रमण जैसी समस्याएं सामने आई थीं शिविर में ग्रामीणों ने सक्रिय भागीदारी की। भगवती सिंह, दिशंबर, कमलेश और यशोदा जैसे लोगों ने डॉक्टरों और संगठन के प्रति आभार व्यक्त किया। अधिवक्ता प्रकाश सक्सेना ने ग्रामीणों के लिए मुक्त कानूनी परामर्श की घोषणा भी की (डॉ. गोपाल कृष्ण ने कहा कि ब्रामीण क्षेत्रों में देव स्वास्थ्य को नजरअंदाज किया जाता है, जिसे सुधारने का यह प्रवास है। डॉ. एस. एस. सिन्हा ने कहा कि अच्छी र्द्यष्ट उत्पादकता के लिए महत्वपूर्ण है। डॉ. अनुप सिन्हा ने करा कि निवारक देखभाल सामुदायिक स्वास्थ्य में सुधार ला सकती है (संगठन ने यह आश्वासन दिया कि ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं को बदावा देने के लिए ऐसे शिविर लगातार आयोजित किए जाएंगे।

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The event was inaugurated by Ms. Shobha Narayan, mentor of the ?-GIFT Centre, and Dr. Sachindra Narayan, Chairman of SFE, who highlighted the significance of providing rural communities with access to quality healthcare.

LEADING DOCTORS

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documented community's reliance on traditional remedies during the COVID-19 pandemic.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SUPPORT

Advocate Shri Prakash Saxena announced free legal consultations for the villagers through SFE's Legal Cell, extending support beyond healthcare. The camp witnessed active participation from villagers, includ-

ing Bhagwan Singh, Digamber, Kamlesh, and Yashoda, who expressed their gratitude for the doctors' contributions and SFE's initiative.

COMMITMENT TO RURAL HEALTHCARE

Speaking about the camp, Dr. Gopal Krishna emphasized, "Dental health is often

early detection of health risks. Free Medicines: Distribu-

tion of medicines for minor ailments and basic health kits.

and hemoglobin testing for

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