

HelpAge India

Brief Introduction of HelpAge India

HelpAge India (HI) is a national level voluntary organization working for the cause and care of older persons in the country for the past 36 years. The main intervention programmes are devised to deal with economic, health and emotional security of disadvantaged older persons. Some of the outstanding examples are: 94 Mobile medicare units covering the length and breadth of the country including extremely backward and poor areas like Silchar, Agartala, Buxar, Gomia, Junagrah, Barmer, Kawai, Ferozpur, Naphajhakri, Iuhri, Yadagirigutta, Karaikal; and Sriperumbudur; approximately 16 thousand ophthalmic operations every year to restore eyesight of cataract patients; over 45 thousand destitute older persons are adopted under Sponsor a gran programme; approximately 35 hundred Self-help groups and helplines in 20 states capitals. HI also runs intervention programmes in natural disaster affected areas as and when and also has a programme for disaster risk reduction. Besides, HI is associated with more than 700 senior citizens' association in the country. HI is also closely associated with the nodal central ministry to represent the views of poor elderly on various policy and schemes forums. HI also makes efforts to raise the issues pertaining to violation of rights of older persons in National Human Rights Commission. HI runs a very big advocacy programme called Student Action for Value Education (SAVE) for strengthening intergeneration bonding. It involves more than 3000 educational institutions. HI also publishes journal, research reports, information based booklets on ageing and for aged in India. To know details please visit our website; www.helpageindia.org