# Legal Awareness Programme on the Protection of the Rights of the Senior Citizen in Athvelly Village, Medchal Malkajgiri District on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2024

After finalizing the theme for the program, we sought the approval and consent of the Medchal Mandal Legal Services Committee. Following this, we conducted fieldwork in Athvelly village, where we visited various homes and engaged with the elders about the awareness



program focused on elderly rights. We covered almost a 1 km radius around the primary school in the village and received a positive response from the elderly community.







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**తేదీ:** 16 నవంబర్ 2024

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We also invited the Mandal Revenue office, Smt. Sailja Madam, the Circle Inspector, Sr. A. Satyanarayana, the Mandal Education Officer, and the school principal, Mr. Srinivas Rao, to attend the programme.











#### Legal Aid Society

### ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad

In collaboration with

Mandal Legal Services Committee, Medchal-Malkajgiri District Organises

# Legal Awareness Program on Protection of the Rights of the Senior Citizens

Nareddy Balreddy Neelamma Mandal Parishad Primary School, Athvelly (Village), Medchal District, Telangana

16th November, 2024

The event was held at the Mandal Parishad Primary School in Athvelly Village, located in the Medchal Malkajgiri District. Prof. Y. Pratap Reddy, the Dean of ICFAI Law School, inaugurated the session. He welcomed the guests and praised the legal aid members for their outreach initiatives in Athvelly Village. He emphasized that children or legal heirs are legally obligated to provide basic financial and emotional support to parents and senior citizens who are unable to



support themselves. The Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007, is a significant piece of legislation in India that ensures the welfare of elderly individuals by making it a legal responsibility for children and relatives to provide for their maintenance.



The Chief Guest for the program was J. Jeevan Kumar, the Additional District and Sessions Judge and Chairman of the Mandal Legal Services Committee at the Medchal Court. He addressed the senior citizens in attendance, offering valuable insights into the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007. He elaborated on the legal provisions designed to ensure the well-being of the elderly and emphasized the importance of protecting their rights.

Furthermore, he specified that while many government initiatives are commendable, true change relies on the collective efforts of individuals, families, and communities. He urged citizens to resolve to:

- Treat our elders with the dignity and respect they deserve.
- Create an environment where senior citizens feel safe and valued.
- Volunteer and support organizations that work for the welfare of the elderly.
- Advocate for stronger enforcement of laws and policies to safeguard the rights of senior citizens.

The welfare of our senior citizens is not just a legal responsibility; it is a moral and ethical obligation.

The Guest of Honour, Dilip Kumar, the 9th Magistrate Metropolitan Judge at Medchal Court, highlighted various government assistance schemes available for senior citizens. He emphasized the need for increased awareness and accessibility regarding these programs intended to support the elderly population.

#### Poster presentation by Chakrika and Tapaswi- BALLB (Hons.)7<sup>th</sup> semester

The Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 was enacted to ensure that the elderly are provided with adequate resources and care by their families and the government. If a senior citizen transfers property (via will, gift deed, or other means) on the condition of being cared for but is later neglected, the transfer can be declared void. Maintenance tribunals resolve property disputes within a fixed timeframe.



Both central and state governments have introduced several welfare schemes for the elderly to provide financial, healthcare, and social security.

1. Ayushman Bharat (Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana): Provides health insurance coverage of up to ₹5 lakh per family per year for secondary and tertiary hospitalization.

#### Telangana State Government Schemes

- 1. Aasara Pension: A welfare scheme providing pensions to the elderly, widows, and disabled individuals. Eligible senior citizens receive a monthly pension of ₹2,016.
- 2. Cheyutha Scheme: Focused on the welfare of vulnerable groups, including senior citizens. Provides financial support and healthcare assistance to enhance their quality of life.

#### Drama by Sri Kavya & team from BBALLB (Hons.) 3rd semester:

The story opens with a happy family scene where elderly parents, Ramayya and Seethamma, express pride in their son, Raghava, whom they raised with love and sacrifice. One day, Raghava convinces his father to transfer all family property to his name, citing future security. Despite initial hesitation, Ramayya agrees, trusting his son.

However, once the transfer is complete, Raghava and his wife start neglecting and disrespecting the elderly couple, eventually forcing them out of the house. Heartbroken, Ramayya and Seethamma seek help from Ramanna, an old friend. Ramanna advises them to invoke the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act and file a police complaint. The case goes to court, where the judge orders the property returned to



the parents, emphasizing the legal and moral obligation of children to care for their parents. Raghava, filled with regret, realizes his mistake.

The story concludes with a message highlighting the importance of love, respect, and legal protections for senior citizens, urging society to ensure their dignity and well-being.

Team- Kavya, Bhanu Priya , Kavya Sri Keerthi, Vaishnavi, Manusree, Kamal Praneeth, Ruthvik , Snigdha, Tejaswini

#### Speech by Sri Meedha and Nithin Reddy - BBALLB (Hons.) 9th Semester

The Senior Citizens' Welfare and Protection Act, 2007 came into effect in the erstwhile Andhra Pradesh in 2008. The main objective of the Act is to safeguard the rights of senior citizens and provide maintenance for parents and senior citizens.



The Act establishes tribunals at the district level to address grievances from senior citizens and parents regarding abandonment or neglect by their children or relatives. Disputes will be resolved within a timeframe of 120 days to one year. According to the provisions of the Act, a maintenance amount of ₹10,000 can be granted to senior citizens and parents.

Additionally, the Act encourages the government to introduce welfare schemes for senior citizens. It also ensures that if children or relatives fail to care for their parents or senior citizens after property has been transferred to them, the senior citizens or parents have the right to nullify the transfer of that property.

The event concluded with interactions between legal aid members and senior citizens, during which participants shared their challenges and issues. This event underscored the commitment of ICFAI School's Legal Aid Society's Law commitment to advocate for senior citizens' rights, promote legal literacy, and ensure the well-being of the elderly in the community. The event was also published in Pioneer, Deccan Vision, Sakhi, Enadu and NTV news media.







# తల్లిదండ్రుల బాధ్యత పిల్లలదే..

#### • మేడ్హల్ కోర్టు 2వ అదనపు జిల్లా సెషన్స్ జడ్జి జీవన్కుమార్

మేడ్చల్, నవంబరు 16:తల్లిదండ్రుల రీత్యా నేరమన్నారు. సంరక్షణ బాధ్యత పిల్లలదే అని మేడ్పల్ కోర్తు 2వ అదనపు జిల్లా, సెషన్స్ జడ్జి, న్యాయ సేవా కమిటీ చైర్మన్ జీవన్ కుమార్ అన్నారు. వయో వృద్ధుల హక్కుల పరిరక్షణ అంశంపై శనివారం మేడ్చల్ మున్సిపాలిటీ అత్వెల్లిలోని మండల ప్రాథమిక పాఠశాలలో ఏసీఎఫ్ఏఐ లా స్కూల్ తీగల్ ఎయిడ్ సొసైటీ, ఐఎఫ్హ్ చ్ఈ ఆధ్వర్యంలో అవగాహన కార్యక్రమాన్ని దిలీప్ కుమార్ మాట్లాడుతూ కేంద్ర, రాష్ట్ర నిర్వహించారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో ఆయన సహాయ పథకాలను వివరించారు. అనం ముఖ్య అకిథిగా పాల్గొని మాట్లాడుతూ .. తరం భారత రాజ్యాంగం, జాతీయ వృద్ధుల వయో వృద్ధులను నిర్లక్ష్యం చేయడం చట్ట విధానం తెలియజేసేలా వయో వృద్ధుల

నిర్లక్ష్యం చేసే సంతా నం చర్యలు తీసుకు నేందుకు అవసర మైన చట్టాలు ఎన్నో ఉన్నాయన్నారు. మేడ్చల్ కోర్టు 9వ

మెట్రోపాలిటన్ జడ్జి



కార్య క్రమంలో పాల్గొన్న న్యాయమూర్తులు జీవన్కుమార్, బిలీప్ కుమార్

హక్కులు, బాధ్యతలను తెలిపే పోస్టర్నను లా కళాశాల విద్యార్థులు ప్రదర్శించి, వివరిం చారు. లీగల్ ఎయ్డ్ సభ్యులు డ్రదర్శించిన నాటకం ప్రత్యేక ఆకర్నణగా నిలిచింది.

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### ICFAI Law School Holds Legal Awareness Session for Senior Citizens' Welfare



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The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, organized an impactful Legal Awareness Program dedicated to safeguarding the rights of senior citizens. The event was held at the Mandal Parishad Primary School in Athvelly Village, focusing on promoting legal knowledge and welfare for the elderly.

The session commenced with an address by Prof. Y. Pratap Reddy, Dean of ICFAI Law School, who highlighted the commendable efforts of the legal aid members in reaching out to the local com-

munity. He stressed the importance of equipping senior citizens with legal awareness to protect their rights.

The Chief Guest, Sri J. Jeevan Kumar, II Additional District and Sessions Judge and Chairman of the Mandal Legal Services Committee at Medchal Court, shared key insights on the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007. He elaborated on the legal safeguards available to ensure the well-being of the elderly, emphasizing the critical need for their protec-

Guest of Honor, Dilip Kumar, 9th Magistrate Metro-

politan Judge at Medehal Court, addressed the attendees, detailing various government assistance schemes tailored for senior citizens. He underlined the significance of awareness and accessibility to these support programs.

The program also featured an engaging poster presenta-tion on the rights of senior citizens, inspired by the Indian Constitution and the National Policy on Older Persons, This interactive segment aimed to inform participants about their legal entitlements and protec-

G Sree Medha Gupta and Nithin, final-year BBALLB

students, delivered a focused presentation on specialized assistance programs for the eldexplaining various support mechanisms available. The session concluded with a compelling drama by the legal aid members, illustrating reallife scenarios of safeguarding senior citizens from potential abuse and neglect by caregivers

This initiative by ICFAI Law School's Legal Aid Society reflects its ongoing commitment to championing the rights of senior citizens, enhancing legal literacy, and ensuring the welfare of the elderly within the community.





## Importance of safeguarding rights of senior citizens stressed

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The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, conducted acomprehensive Legal Awareness programme featured Jevan Kumar, Additional District and Sessions Judge and Chairman of the Mandal prish of senior citizens in the Mandal Parishad Primary School in Athvelly Village, drawing attention to the welfare of the dedry in the community.

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