

PROBLEMS OF THE AGED WOMEN: A SOCIOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE

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ABSTRACT

Almost all the elderly women face more or less the same problems- health, economic, emotional abuse and crime. The order may vary according to class to which they belong. But, some challenges are common to all this includes health and emotional insecurity. Secondary status ensures extreme dependence on male members of the family throughout their lives much increases with age. Most women in India live in shadows of the male relatives throughout their lives; they rarely own property, in most cases they do not earn money, even when they do their employment is often guided by family considerations, so it is casual. If is to defraud such women as their world view, in most cases, is limited to family and the kin-group. This can have terrible implications for elderly women as they tend to neglect their genuine needs. If adequate steps are not taken for the protection and welfare of this section of society, then we will have to face dire consequences.

The present paper aims at discussing socio-cultural problems of the aged women in India. The study was undertaken collecting information from secondary sources. Many journals, magazines and research articles have been consulted to prepare the paper.

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