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Guiding Questions for the focus areas of the IX Session of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing: Long-term care and palliative care

- 1) your country/region, how is long- care for older persons defined and provided for in legal and policy frameworks? What types of support and services are covered?

The national policy document on the protection and promotion of older people is not ready.

- 2) What are the specific challenges faced by older persons in accessing long-term care?
Poverty, loneliness, lack of a national policy document and support services

3) What measures have been taken/are necessary to ensure high-quality and sustainable long-term care systems for older persons, including for example: Sufficient availability, accessibility and affordability of services on a nondiscriminatory basis? High quality of services provided? Autonomy and free, prior and informed consent of older persons in relation to their long-term care and support? Progressive elimination of all restrictive practices (such as detention, seclusion, chemical and physical restraint) in long-term care? Sustainable financing of long-term care and support services? Redress and remedy in case of abuse and violations?

It is necessary to have funding, support services, always capacity building of caregivers and families

- 4) What other rights are essential for the enjoyment of the right to long-term care by older persons, or affected by the non-enjoyment of this right?

The right to dignity

- 5) In your country/region, how is palliative care defined in legal and policy frameworks?

Palliative care is defined as care at the end of live. The national policy document is awaited

- 6) What are the specific needs and challenges facing older persons regarding end-of-life care? Are there studies, data and evidence available?

They need to be attended to and in due space, to be treated with dignity but they must challenge poverty, loneliness. No study or data available

- 7) To what extent is palliative care available to all older persons on a non-discriminatory basis?

Funding, support services, caregivers

- 8) How is palliative care provided, in relation to long-term care as described above and other support services for older persons?

In families for those who have one, 3 homes for elderlies, an insignificant geriatric services

- 9) Are there good practices available in terms of long-term care and palliative care? What are lessons learned from human rights perspectives

CSO guided by ACAMAGE are trying their best to look after older persons in their families for those who have one. Older women are the main concerned. 3 home for elderlies here are trying too but in very very small number, do does the insignificant geriatric service. Hopfully the national policy document in my country and the UN convention for the rights of older people.