

INFORMATION

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Organizational Information

Name of Organization	Development, Welfare & Research Foundation
Country	India
Type of Organization	Open-ended Working Group on Ageing

Questionnaire/Survey Information

Your organization's FULL NAME *	Development, Welfare & Research Foundation
Purpose of your organization: *	
<p>Development, Welfare and Research Foundation is a voluntary not-for-profit set-up targeting to make a big difference in people's life as they age, in their health, environment, social conditions, economic life, thinking, attitude, actions by focusing on matters that can improve quality of life. The organization believes in promoting the concept of self care and management, of empowerment, of self reliance and of celebration of life. It is concerned with little things that can make a difference in life as people age. It aims for dialogue and action on issues that concern and effect everyday life, whether in terms of health, ageing, economics, legal or development matters. The volunteers are involved with advocacy, bringing awareness, indulging in activism, seeking and providing evidence of facts, conducting research to inform policy and programs. It also in many small ways reaches out to people, providing them assistance, helping them with services and little by little is taking step forward in working for their empowerment, be it the needy youth, or adult men and women and specifically older people. With our motto 'Add life to years and years to life' we focus on little things that matter in a big way in life with regard to health and well-being, education and learning, social security, adjustments and future planning. Our objective is to bring awareness and undertake action for recognizing the needs of different cohorts from a gender and human rights perspective. Our mission is to enable people to live a life of respect, autonomy and dignity within their environment. We are particularly concerned with combating abuse, violence and negative attitudes. We believe in 'celebration of life' as every part of the cycle of life and each moment of the cycle should be treasured and celebrated. We are for enabling and enhancing communications, interactions across generations and groups for betterment of life. We are promoting the concept of active ageing by having programs for maintaining health and staying involved in the family, the community and society.</p>	
<p>What are the programmes and activities of your organization? They must be relevant to the Open-ended Working Group and the country or countries in which they are carried out. *</p>	
<p>There are various programs. (1) Initiatives on promoting Celebration of life - 'Celebrate ageing, add life to years and years to life by promoting active ageing.' ; (2) INITIATIVES ON ACTIVE AGEINGHEALTH AWARENESS INTERACTIONS AND CAMPAIGNS Meetings conducted in different residential colonies with ladies kitty groups to bring awareness on active ageing and information shared on how to cope and deal with health problems. Interactive sessions organized at public places with well known doctor specialists on different health problems and diseases. These sessions raise awareness and also inform on how to cope and deal with health concerns. They also advocate prevention measures with emphasis on self care and management. They empower people with knowledge, practices and ways to improve their quality of life. (3) INITIATIVES ON PREVENTION OF ELDER ABUSE We have organized a series of events for bringing awareness on the issue of elder abuse and reviewing strategies and programs for preventing and combating it. The volunteers also participate in a number of events across the country to share its concerns and work. Since the declaration of WEAAD, every year have organized national meetings on different aspects related to WEAAD. We bring together all those concerned and disturbed with increasing incidence of abuse against older persons in families, communities and society at large. IWe provide platform for members of civil society, the government, more importantly for ageing themselves, to work together to address concerns of abuse and neglect.</p>	
<p>Please explain briefly whether your activities are at the national, regional or international level, or a combination thereof. *</p>	
<p>Our activities are at the national level, but we have regional and international connections too. We work closely with International Network for Prevention of Elder Abuse. The Chairperson of Development, Welfare and Research foundation also holds the Chair for Asia of INPEA.</p>	
Please attach a scanned copy of an annual report of your organization including financial	

statements, and a list of financial sources and contributions, including governmental contributions. (PDF or Word only please.)

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If you wish, you can provide any additional information on your organization's financial statement here. (Optional)

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Please provide a BRIEF list of members of the governing body of your organization, and their countries of nationality; ✖

- (1) Dr Mala Kapur Shankardass, Sociologist, Gerontologist, health and Development Social Scientist, Managing Trustee, Indian
- (2) Mrs Kiran Puri, Historian and Social Gerontologist, Member, Indian.
- (3) Mrs Sudarshan kapur, Housewife, Member, Indian
- (4) Mrs Shobha Thareja, Entrepreneur, Member, Indian
- (5) Mrs Mini Seghal, Social Activist, Member, Indian.

Briefly describe the membership of your organization, including: (a) the total number of members, (b) names of member organizations, if any, and (c) geographical distribution of your membership ✖

Membership consists of 5 Governing body members, 10 Volunteer Program Coordinators, 500 volunteers, 1000 program members. These are spread over India, our head office is in Delhi.

Please provide a scanned copy of your organization's constitution or bylaws. (PDF or Word only, please.)

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Please sign off with today's date: ✖

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