

Guiding Questions: Neglect, violence and abuse

- 1) In your country, are there specific studies or surveys (from governmental, non-governmental or academic sources) on violence, abuse and neglect experienced by older persons?

Response

We rely on media reports and information from non-governmental organisations.

- 2) (a) What forms of violence, abuse and neglect (e.g. physical, psychological, sexual, financial, or other) are registered?

Response

Sexual, Physical, financial and psychological.

What is the setting in which they occurs (i.e. residential and non-residential)?

Response

Non-residential

Is there information about the type of perpetrators?

Response

Yes, there is information from media and NGOs. Perpetrators are thugs who rob older people of their pension. In the case of older women they rob, rape and slaughter them on account that they are witches. Older men are robbed their money and brutally killed thereafter. Physical, and financial; these normally occur within family settings, and the perpetrators are usually members of the family e.g sons, daughters, or grandchildren or house keepers.

(b) Does violence, abuse and neglect particularly affect specific groups of older persons? If so, which groups and how?

Response

The middle old and the oldest old, through killings, assault, rape, property grabbing.

- 3) Does your country's legislation explicitly address issues of violence, abuse and neglect against older persons?

Response

There is no such law, there are laws that address such issues is general.

If not, what legislation applies to such issues in the context of older persons?

Response

Land Act 2010, Penal Code, Legal Capacity of Married Persons Act 2006, the Constitution 1993 etc.

| Does this legislation sufficiently address the full range of violence against older persons?

Response

No, it does not. There is a legislation that prohibits violence and abuse against women, but it is not explicit about older people, it is a general legislation.

| 4) What legislation exists to protect older persons specifically against financial abuse, including inheritance abuse?

Response

There is no legislation to that effect.