

President of India graces an Event ‘Ageing with Dignity’ Initiatives for Welfare of Senior Citizens

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The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu graced an event ‘Ageing with Dignity’ - initiatives for the welfare of senior citizens at Rashtrapati Bhavan Cultural Centre today (May 2, 2025). The event organised by the Union Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment witnessed the launch of the senior citizens welfare portal, the virtual inauguration of senior citizens homes, the distribution of Aids and Assistive devices and the signing of an MoU between the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment and Brahma Kumaris organization.

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that respecting parents and elders is part of our culture. It is, generally seen in families that children are very comfortable with their grandparents. Elders act as an emotional pillar for the family. Elders too remain physically and emotionally healthy when they see their family flourishing.

The President said that in today's competitive and quick-paced life, the support, inspiration and guidance of senior citizens is extremely important for our younger generation. Wealth of experiences and knowledge, which senior citizens have, can help the younger generation to face complex challenges. She said that old age is also a stage to spiritually empower oneself, analyze one's life and actions, and live a meaningful life. Spiritually empowered senior citizens can lead the country and society towards greater prosperity and progress.

The President said that elder people are a link to the past and also guides to the future. It is our collective responsibility as a nation to ensure that our seniors live their old age with dignity and activeness. She was happy to note that the Government is empowering senior citizens through various initiatives so that they can actively participate in all aspects of life. She urged all citizens to commit themselves to the happiness and well-being of the elderly, value their guidance and enjoy their valuable company.