

Electoral manifesto of DIS-MOI

In the course of weekly articles published this year we have been making pleas for measures in favour of older persons. This paper which contains a summary of our proposals is addressed to all political parties engaged in the Legislative Elections of the 7 November.

22 POINT PROPOSALS

- Creation of a dedicated Ministry of Older Persons
- Creation of an Office of Ombudsperson for Older Persons
- Maintain and re-ascertain the position of the State of Mauritius at the UN (2018, 2019) in favour of a new UN Convention for the Rights of Older Persons
- Sign and Ratify the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Rights of Older Persons in Africa
- Creation of a Training Institute for Carers of Older Persons
- Development of a special policy for provision of insurance and loan facilities for older persons
- Criminal code to be amended to make proven violence against older persons an aggravating circumstance like it is in the case of children
- Amendment to the Employment Rights Act to proscribe discrimination and harassment on the basis of old age
- Introduction of Human Rights Education (informally and formally) at Pre-Primary, Primary, Secondary and Tertiary levels
- Provision of a personalized bracelet (on request) to remote control the movement of older persons specially persons on risk of being affected by the disease of Alzheimer
- Provision of a regular sensitization programme on long-term and palliative care in a medical center or at home
- Provision of home visits of psychologists to sick and older persons living alone
- Reinforce the law governing the running of residential care homes for the elimination of abuse and violence on older persons
- Provision of a bus passenger card for older persons 60 and above for proofs by which bus companies would obtain subsidies from Government. This will eliminate the ordeal of older passengers left behind
- Construction of 2 additional recreational centers in Mauritius and 1 in Rodrigues
- Construction of a multi-sports/cum/indoor games complex in Agalega
- Creation of a Bank of retired specialists, medical, social, scientific, agricultural, legal, pedagogical to provide paid/unpaid assistance/services as and when required
- Re-engineer the activities of the Elderly Day Care Center
- Re-engineer the activities of the Elderly Watch to provide more visibility of their existence
- Review the content and organization

- of activities, and training methodologies of courses run in the Women's and Community Centers
- Creation of health walk tracks in each

- village and town where possible
- Provision of lower floor buses for access of older and physically disabled persons in public buses

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