

**One Day State Level Seminar on Effective Implementation of Parents and Senior Citizens Act to be held at ICG**

The International Centre Goa ( ICG) and GOACAN in association with Directorate of Social Welfare is organising a one day state level seminar on the topic “The Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act 2007: Its Effective Implementation in Goa”. This programme will be held on Saturday 27th February 2016, 10.00 am – 5.00 pm at The International Centre, Dona Paula.

Chief Guest Shri. Mahadev Naik, Honourable Minister for Social Welfare, Government of Goa will deliver the inaugural address, Smt. Meena H. Naik Goltekar, Director - Directorate of Social Welfare and Shri. Roland Martins, Coordinator, GOACAN will also speak at the inaugural function. Senior government officials, academicians, social activists and subject experts will make presentations which will be open for discussion. The speakers at the seminar include: Ms. Shruti M. Nadkarni (Assistant Professor, Govind Ramnath Kare College of Law), Dr. Peter Castellino (Managing Trustee, COOJ Mental Health Foundation), Dr. Sachin Shinde I.A.S. (South Goa Collector & District Magistrate), Shri. Sudesh N Gaude (Assistant Director, Directorate of Social Welfare), Mr. Diogo D'Costa (Senior Citizens Forum of India), Mr. Alvaro Gouveia (Senior Citizens Guild), Ms. Alka Damle (Dignity Foundation) and Mr. Dattaprasad Pawaskar (HelpAge India).

The one day seminar will cover the following working sessions:

1. Overview of the Act & Goa Rules
2. Caring for the Elderly
3. Action Plan for Protection of Life & Property: Role of the District Magistrate
4. Action Plan for Protection of Life & Property: Role of Goa Police
5. Importance & Use of DSW Senior Citizen Identity Cards and Role of Day Care Centres under the UMMID scheme of the Directorate of Social Welfare in facilitating the implementation of Act & Rules
6. The challenges faced by Senior Citizens' Organisations in implementing the Act & Rules

There programme is free to attend and open to general public; registration is compulsory, interested persons are requested to kindly send an email to [pro@incentgoa.com](mailto:pro@incentgoa.com)

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