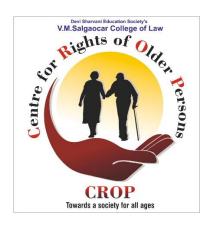
#### **MIDTERM ACTIVITY REPORT SUBMISSION**



**CROP** Activity Report

Director - Dr. Sandhya Ram S A, Associate Professor

Associate Director, Ms. Ruchira Naik, Assistant Professor

- 1. Name of the Activity: Centre for the Rights of Older Persons (CROP)
- 2. Objectives:
  - To empower and equip a team of students comprehending the law and procedure regarding the protection of senior citizens
  - To conduct research and field study relating to the legal entitlements as well as the difficulties faced by senior citizens in Goa, and make recommendations to the concerned authority, leading to law reform
  - To launch sensitization and legal literacy campaigns, and
  - To represent senior citizens and parents in enforcing their legal rights.
  - To associate with the Directorate of Social Welfare and concerned agencies including NGOs working for the cause, and generate constructive activities towards it.
  - To prepare easy-to-understand handouts and videos containing information relevant to senior citizens

## **Services Rendered By CROP**

#### • Free Legal Aid

Free Legal Advice to the older persons.

### • Para Legal Services

We provide assistance with drafting Affidavits, Applications or any other documents that would be required to submit to any authority to avail schemes or other services.

### • Maintenance Application

Assistance provided to file application for Maintenance before the Maintenance Tribunals.

## • Senior Citizens Card, Pension Scheme & other Welfare Schemes

We assist in applying for Senior citizens cards, Pension scheme under the Dayanand Social Security Scheme and other welfare schemes of the Directorate of Social Welfare, Government of Goa.

## 3. Membership Drive:

- Dates:
  - Notice for registration was sent on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024.
  - Last date of submission 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024
- Methodology: Google form registration and answering a test in the same form, Selected based on responses given by students
- Proof of the Methodology:

→ Forwarded NOTICE – STUDENT MEMBERSHIP IN CROP (CENTRE FOR THE RIGHTS OF OLDER PERSONS) 27/06/2024

Application is invited from students for membership in CROP. Interested students are required to fill the google form.

The applicants shall fill in their responses to the questions given in the form.

Selection will be based on the answers and a viva that will be held thereafter.

It is recommended that students read the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 and the related Goa Rules 2009, before filling the form.

Google form link - https://forms.gle/m5dZGW6GgUVV69MG6

The form will be open from 2pm on 29th June 2024 till 10pm on 30th June 2024.

Brief information about CROP is given below:

- A. Objectives of CROP
- (i) To empower and equip a team of students with respect to the law and procedure regarding the protection of senior citizens  ${\sf v}$

- (ii) To conduct research and field study relating to the legal entitlements as well as the difficulties faced by senior citizens in Goa, and make recommendations to the concerned authority, leading to law reform
- (iii) To launch sensitization and legal literacy campaigns
- (iv) To represent senior citizens and parents in enforcing their legal rights.
- (v) To associate with the Directorate of Social Welfare and concerned agencies including NGOs working for the cause, and generate constructive activities towards it.
- (vi) To prepare easy-to-understand handouts and videos containing information relevant to senior citizens
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- B. About membership and meetings
- Total membership 15
- Weekly meetings in college Saturday 12.30 pm
- For practical paper purposes, the work undertaken by the students would fall under the heading "Legal Aid".
- C. Faculty coordinators Director: Dr. Sandhya Ram Associate Director: Asst. Prof. Ruchira Naik

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# CROP - Application for membership 2024-2025



Centre for the Rights of Older Persons - CALL FOR STUDENT MEMBERS

Students who wish to join as members of CROP may fill the google form on or before 10pm, June 30, 2024.

Skills required - Computer skills, Research and Writing skills, Community engagement, Original thinking

Requirement - 15 members

Members would be selected based on their aptitude and suitability for the project.

Faculty - Dr. Sandhya Ram (Director) & Asst.Prof. Ruchira Naik (Associate Director)

This form is automatically collecting emails from all respondents. Change settings

Full Name, Class and Roll No \*

Short answer text

Explain the difference between the terms 'parents' and 'senior citizens' as used in the Act \*

Long answer text

Against which of the following persons can the childless senior citizen claim maintenance? *
Nearest blood relative
Any adult male relative
Any relative who has sufficient means and who would inherit the property of the senior citizen
A relative who is in possession of the property of the senior citizen
Explain your specific interest in joining CROP *
Long answer text

## • List of student members

- 1. Aditya Naik
- 2. Anushka Patil
- 3. Asiya Choudhary
- 4. Chaitrali
- 5. Dylan Oliveira
- 6. Iram Khatri
- 7. Jinu Ponnachan
- **8.** Neha Pomburphekar
- 9. Rakshanda Virnodkar
- 10. Roshan Mathias
- 11. Sanika Pednekar
- 12. Siddhi Satardekar
- 13. Siya Mandrekar
- 14. Tanvi Kotkar
- 15. Thorne Pereira
- 16. Udi Narvekar
- 17. Meliza Fernandes

### 4. Activities Undertaken:

- Title:
  - a) Preparation of a Booklet in English and in Konkani
  - b) Street play on few points in the Act performed on  $15^{\rm th}$  October inside Panjim Market
- Dates: Booklet submitted by students on September 30<sup>th</sup>, pending for verification of Konkani translation.

Street play – 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024

### • Description:

## a) Booklet

The information in Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 that is relevant for a common person is made into a booklet format in simple language. Script contains information on maintenance for parents and senior citizens, transfer of property by senior citizen and punishment for abandonment of senior citizen

## b) Street Play

On 15 October 2024 members of the CROP (Centre for the Rights for older people) performed a street play on the topic Maintenance and welfare of parents—and senior citizens Act,2007. The street play—was performed to spread awareness on the act mentioned above and to let people—people know about their duties and obligations and make senior citizens aware about their rights. It was performed at 2 places i.e. Panjim market and Panjim Bus stand. At around 5:30 pm—the Street play was performed at Panjim Market. It was covered by the news channel Awake Goans they had uploaded the whole Street play on their channel on YouTube, the link for which is given below. The second Street play was performed at Panjim Bus stand at around 7:15 Pm.





## 1. Social Media/Press Coverage:

https://www.youtube.com/live/57e-9X6IKdw?si=wrsSBYhNV3PYkA5H

- 2. Future Plans and Follow-Up:
  - a. The street play would be repeated in more spots
  - b. Booklet would be published in print and digital format.
  - c. Campaign on Living Will
  - d. Awareness videos would be created
  - e. A project on legal compliance from police department with respect to the Act would be undertaken
  - f. A training program on Welfare Schemes for the students in charge of Legal Aid Cells would be conducted, inviting Officials from Social Welfare Directorate as Resource Persons

## 7. Partnerships/Collaborations: Nil