

Research Scholar Profile



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Title of the Research Topic	Old Age Homes for Senior Care: A Study among the Institutionalised Older People in Odisha, India
Abstract of the Research Work	The demographic transition and the ensuing increase in the number of older people have significant implications all over the world. The social landscape of India has changed as a result of modernization, industrialization, migration of the younger generation, and changing lifestyles. As a result, there are now significantly more nuclear families, which supports an individualistic culture. With this trend, older people are more likely to experience socio-economic marginalisation. Many older people have been forced to opt for old age homes (OAHs) due to lack of adequate support and care within the family. The notion of institutional care is rapidly expanding and gradually becoming more prevalent in this context. Literary evidences reveal that OAH options are crucial in the current scenario, especially for those older people who have been abandoned and are alone. With this background, the researcher has attempted to understand the factors that led older people to relocate to old age homes; their concerns, and perceptions in these institutional settings. In addition to these issues, the study also aims to look at the key challenges confronted by institutionalised older people. The study will be carried out in the districts of Cuttack and Khordha in Odisha, as these two districts are among the top five in terms of the concentration of senior population with larger number of old age home facilities.
Progress of the Research Work	Currently preparing for fieldwork

Participation in Seminars, Conferences & Workshops	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Participated in Five-days National Workshop on “Systematic Literature Review and Meta Analysis (SLR & MA-2023), organized by F. M. University, Balasore, held during 31st July to 4th August, 2023. Presented a paper entitled “Environmental Influences on the Health of Older Adults: An Overview from Indian Context” in the National Seminar on Environment, Development and Society, organized by P.G. Department of Environmental Sciences and P.G. Department Sociology, Sambalpur University, Odisha held during 20th & 21st March 2023. Presented a paper entitled “Exclusion in Later Life & Sustainable Development: Interrogating the Issues” at National Seminar on Development and Discontents, organized by P.G. Department of Sociology and Environmental Sciences, Sambalpur University, Jyoti Vihar, Burla, Odisha during 11th & 12th March 2023. Presented a paper entitled “Older Women in Informal Work: Key Challenges and Policy Response” in National Seminar on Informal Women Workers in Western Odisha, Sustainability and Social Justice, organized by Panchayat College Bargarh, Odisha and ICSSR, New Delhi during 19th and 20th November 2022. Presented a poster entitled “Home Away from Home: Issues & Concerns of India's Old Age Homes” in Odisha Research Conclave (ORC-2022) jointly organized by Odisha State Higher Education Council and Ravenshaw University, held during 14th--16th, November 2022. Participated in UGC Sponsored Short Term Course on Research Methodology” organized by UGC-Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC), Sambalpur University held during 12th-17th December, 2022. Participated in a seminar on “Gender, Society & Economy: Towards Equality” organized by SOIL (Society of Indian Livelihood) in Collaboration with PG. Department of Sociology, Sambalpur University on 27th May, 2022. Participated in Two-days National Webinar on “India's New Educational Policy-2020: Towards Inclusion” & “New Education Policy (NEP-2020) in India: Planning, Perspectives and Possibilities” organized by P.G Dept. of Sociology, Sambalpur University during 7th & 8th October, 2021.
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