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of Long-Term Care for Older People*

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Caregiving & Long-Term Care Law in India

*Towards a Legal
Framework for Care*

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S P E A K E R S & D E L E G A T E S

~ From caregiving to a culture of care. ~

Giving Care a Place in Law

Care has long been carried by families; it is time for society and law to carry their share. From invisible responsibility to recognised right, supported system and shared social duty, these three days seek to give care a language, a framework, and ultimately, a place in law. This booklet serves as a guide to that aspiration, bringing together the purpose, perspectives and deliberations that will shape our collective endeavour to move caregiving from the margins of private responsibility towards a recognised and supported part of our health, social and legal systems.

The speakers and delegates gathered here form the intellectual and experiential backbone of this journey, bringing together law, public policy, health and social care, academia, civil society and international practice. Following them are the facilitators and organising committee, the institutional backbone of this International Stakeholder Consultation, whose collective effort gives this dialogue its form and purpose, and seeks to carry its conversations beyond these three days towards meaningful frameworks, policy and action.

PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

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TUESDAY · SEPTEMBER

WHO Regional Consultation

Strengthening the Integrated Continuum of Long-Term Care for Older People

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WEDNESDAY · SEPTEMBER

International Stakeholder Consultation · Day 1

Caregiving & Long-Term Care Law in India: Towards a Legal Framework for Care

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THURSDAY · SEPTEMBER

International Stakeholder Consultation · Day 2

Working sessions & the way forward

60+

DELEGATES

10+

COUNTRIES

3

DAYS

Welcome Address

It is my privilege to welcome you to the National Law University, Jodhpur, for the International Consultation on ageing, caregiving, and long-term care.

As societies age, care can no longer remain understood solely as a private responsibility of families. It raises fundamental questions of dignity, rights, responsibility and social justice. While families continue to form the foundation of care, caregivers themselves often remain unseen, insufficiently recognised and inadequately supported.

The WHO Regional Consultation on strengthening the integrated continuum of long-term care for older people brings a valuable South-East Asian perspective to the question of how systems of care can become more integrated, accessible and responsive to the needs of older persons.

The consultations that follow turn this conversation towards India's legal and policy landscape. *Caregiving & Long-Term Care Law in India: Towards a Legal Framework for Care* invites us to examine how law can recognise caregiving, protect those who provide it, and create a more equitable distribution of responsibility.

For a university of law, this is a particularly meaningful conversation. Law must not only respond to changing social realities; it must help shape institutions that uphold dignity and justice. I hope these deliberations will connect lived experience with scholarship, policy with law, and recognition with meaningful action.

I warmly welcome all distinguished delegates and participants to Jodhpur. May these consultations help us move from caregiving as an invisible burden towards a culture of care that is recognised, supported and sustained by society and law.

Prof. (Dr.) Harpreet Kaur



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ABOUT NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY JODHPUR

National Law University Jodhpur, established in 1999, is among India's leading national law universities, known for research-driven engagement with law and public policy. Through initiatives such as this

consultation, NLUJ brings legal scholarship to questions of deep social consequence, including one of India's most pressing and least legislated: who cares for those who care.

Welcome to the International Stakeholder Consultation

It is my privilege to welcome you to Jodhpur for these important consultations on long-term care and caregiving.

Population ageing is reshaping our societies and bringing the question of care to the forefront. While families remain the foundation of care, caregivers themselves often remain insufficiently recognised, prepared and supported.

Our consultations address two closely connected themes. The first focuses on strengthening the integrated continuum of long-term care and contributing a South-East Asia perspective to emerging global standards for long-term care. The second focuses on caregiving in India, exploring the need for legal and policy frameworks that recognise, protect and support family caregivers.

Together, these discussions bring perspectives from health and social care, law, public policy, academia, civil society and international organisations, linking stronger systems of care with greater recognition of those who provide care.

For Caregivers Asha Society, our vision is clear: caregiving must move from a largely invisible family responsibility to a recognised and supported component of our health and social systems.

I warmly welcome you and thank you for contributing your experience and wisdom. May our deliberations lead to partnerships, policies and actions that ensure dignity in care and recognition for every caregiver.



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ABOUT CAREGIVERS ASHA SOCIETY

Founded in Jodhpur in 2019 from lived caregiving experience, Caregivers Asha Society is India's first organisation dedicated entirely to the wellbeing and recognition of family caregivers. Its work spans caregiver training, emotional support, digital innovation through the CareAsha App, youth sensitisation and

policy advocacy, with 200+ trainers certified across three nations. Represented on the WHO Civil Society Commission (2025–27), the Society works towards a world where no one who gives care is left without care themselves.

The Global & Regional Perspective

WHO's Ageing and Health teams, from headquarters in Geneva to the South-East Asia Regional Office in New Delhi, anchor the technical foundation of this consultation.



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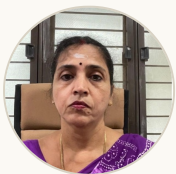


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The photographs below are of the people who, through their time, commitment and quiet work, have helped carry this consultation from an idea into a shared space for dialogue. Their work reflects the spirit of Caregivers Asha Society: that care is not merely something to be received or provided, but a responsibility that must be recognised, supported and sustained. In bringing together voices from lived experience, policy, health and law, they have helped make visible the people and questions at the heart of this conversation.



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The photographs below recognise the students and members of the NLUJ organising team whose work helped give this consultation its institutional home. At a university of law, ideas are not meant to remain abstract; they are examined, questioned and carried into the world. By helping convene this dialogue on caregiving and long-term care, the team has contributed in its own way to a larger endeavour: giving language, recognition and eventually legal form to a responsibility that has too often remained invisible.



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