

A VISIT TO OLD AGE HOME, CHUNANGAMVELY

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The very concept of an old age home is usually a place, a home for those old people who have no one to look after them or those who have been thrown out of their homes by their children. The place is of-course like home where the inmates get all the facilities for a routine living, like food, clothing and shelter.

Reverence for one's parents is deeply embedded in Indian families. Children deem it their moral duty to look after their aged parents and elders. In the last few decades, our society has undergone massive transformation in terms of family structure. As a consequence of the social transformation and evolving lifestyles, many of the older parents are landing in old age homes. The mushrooming of nuclear families especially in urban India, has led to steadily increasing number of old age homes.

The most obvious reason for this trend is the migration of children from their hometowns to metropolitan cities in search of better education, job, and improved lifestyles. While the younger generation has no difficulty in moving out of their parental homes and adapting to new lifestyles, the elderly population choose to remain back due to the attached sentiments of the place.

Also, many children cannot take care of their aged parents with chronic health issues. Some elders find it difficult to cope with their dear ones, due to difference in values and mindset.

The purpose of the visit is to have awareness about the increasing number of old age homes. The teachers are the ones to instill the values and to mold the younger generation to imbibe the values.

Students took initiative in sponsoring food, clothes, etc. to the inmates of the old age home Chunangamvely.



