OFFICE OF THE JOINT COMMISSIONER OF POLICE: CRIME:PHQ, DELHI

Circular No. 57 /2012. DELHI POLICE

Subject:- Protection of life and property of senior citizens.

The Government of India has enacted the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act — 2007 to provide for more effective provisions for the maintenance and welfare of parents and senior citizens guaranteed and recognized under the constitution and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto. The Act, besides containing provisions related to maintenance and welfare of parents and senior citizens, also provides for protection of life and property of senior citizens especially under sections 21, 22 & 23 of the Act.

For proper implementation of the Act, the Government of NCT of Delhi has framed the Delhi Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Rules — 2009. The Rules have been amended and notified on 05-01-2011 as Delhi Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens (Amendment) Rules-2010. Chapter-IV, Rule-22 provides for protection of life and property of senior citizens. Sub-Rule 2, ibid, provides in detail the actions to be taken by police officers which are reproduced below:

Rule-22:- Action plan for the protection of life and property of senior citizens –

1. The Commissioner of Police shall take all necessary steps, subject to such guidelines as the government may issue from time to time, for the protection of life and property of senior citizens.

2. Without prejudice to the generality of sub-rule(1) –

(I) Each police station shall maintain an up-to-date list of senior citizens living within its jurisdiction, especially those who are living by themselves (i.e. without there being any member in their household who is not a senior citizen).

(II) A representative of the police station together, as far as possible, with a social worker or volunteer, shall visit such senior citizens at regular intervals and shall, in addition, visit them as quickly as possible on receipt of a request of assistance from them.

(III) Complaints/problems of senior citizens shall be promptly attended to, by the local police.

(IV) One or more Volunteers' Committee(s) shall be formed for each police station which shall ensure regular contact between the

senior citizens, especially those living by themselves on the o

(V) hand, and the police and district administration on the other.
The steps being taken for the protection of life and property
senior citizens shall be widely published in the media and throug

(VI) Police Station at regular interval.
Each police station shall maintain a separate register containin
all important particulars relating to offences committed agains
senior citizens, in such form as the Government may, by order,
specify.

(VII) The register referred to in clause (VI) shall be kept available for
public inspection and every officer inspecting a police station shall
invariably review the status as reflected in the register.

(VIII) The Police Station shall send a monthly report of such crimes to
the Commissioner of Police by the 10th of every month.

(IX) List of Do's and Don'ts to be followed by senior citizens in the
interest of their safety will by widely publicized.

(X) Antecedents of domestic servants and others working for senior
citizens shall be promptly verified, on the request of such citizens.

(XI) Community policing for the security of senior citizens will be
undertaken in conjunction with citizens living in the
neighbourhood, Residents' Welfare Association, Youth Volunteers
and Non- Government Organisations, etc.

(XII) The Deputy Commissioner of Police shall submit a monthly report
by the 20th of every month, about the status of crime against
senior citizens during the previous month, including progress of
investigation, prosecution of registered offences and preventive
steps taken during the month. Quarterly and yearly report will be
submitted to the Government for the consideration of State Council
of Senior Citizens constituted under rule 23.

Besides the above, instructions already issued vide Standing Order No. 377/2009 and Circular No. 49/2012 by the PHQ should be complied with meticulously.

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