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SHATAYU Dashboard Expands Caregiver Network for Senior Citizens Across India

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The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has expanded the SHATAYU (Senior Holistic Care Assistance and Training for Your Utility) Dashboard to strengthen caregiving services for senior citizens across India. Launched on 22 May 2026, the dashboard serves as a digital platform where trained geriatric caregivers can register themselves and connect with elderly citizens requiring professional care services. The Ministry also clarified that some technical glitches are being resolved and advised citizens not to rely on misleading social media posts regarding the platform.?

The initiative aims to build an inclusive and age-responsive ecosystem for senior citizens by improving access to trained caregivers, promoting healthy ageing, and enhancing the quality of elder care services across the country.

About SHATAYU Dashboard

SHATAYU stands for Senior Holistic Care Assistance and Training for Your Utility.

Objectives

- Create a national database of trained geriatric caregivers.
- Connect caregivers with senior citizens in need.
- Improve access to professional elderly care.
- Promote community-based care for ageing populations.
- Support healthy and independent living for senior citizens.

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Additional Key Facts

Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

Nodal ministry for the welfare of senior citizens.

Implements schemes related to:

Senior citizens

Scheduled Castes

Persons with Disabilities

Social defence and rehabilitation

National Policy on Older Persons (NPOP), 1999

Launched to improve the quality of life of older persons.

Focuses on:

Financial security

Healthcare

Shelter

Welfare

Protection of life and property

Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007

Provides legal protection for parents and senior citizens.

Makes it a legal obligation for children and heirs to maintain senior citizens.

Provides for Maintenance Tribunals to ensure speedy relief.

Atal Vayo Abhyuday Yojana (AVYAY)

Umbrella scheme of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

Aims to improve the quality of life of senior citizens through:

Integrated care

Healthcare

Shelter

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Helplines

Productive ageing initiatives

Demographic Ageing in India

According to government projections, the share of elderly persons in India is expected to rise significantly due to increasing life expectancy and declining fertility rates.

Population ageing has become an important policy issue in healthcare, social security, and long-term care.

Exam Focus Points (Quick Revision Notes)

Initiative in News ? SHATAYU Dashboard

Full Form ? Senior Holistic Care Assistance and Training for Your Utility

Launched On ? 22 May 2026

Ministry ? Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

Purpose ? Connect trained geriatric caregivers with senior citizens

Beneficiaries ? Senior citizens across India

Related Scheme ? Atal Vayo Abhyuday Yojana (AVYAY)

Related Law ? Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007

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