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Will Speak on:

## LONG TERM CARE OF ELDERLY IN INDIA

## **Abstract**

One of independent India's successes, improving life expectancy at birth from about 30 years in the 1950s to the 70s in the 2000s, has also exposed a major flaw in the country's policymaking process: an abject neglect of state support for the elderly. Barring a few token measures, India's elders languish in the blind spot of its policymakers. A mix of factors is at play. For all practical purposes, the country's public healthcare facilities do not inspire the confidence of the people despite experienced professionals and the nearly free services that they deliver. At the other end of this spectrum of healthcare providers is expensive privately run hospitals that can push patients and their families into poverty. Societal changes, including the rising number of nuclear families, smaller family sizes, and migration for employment by the economically active population, have also had their effect on the provision of care for the elderly. Therefore we also see differences in the demand for the care despite the same levels of Activities of Daily Living (ADL) and Instrumental Activities of Daily living (IADL). Following to the pattern of the LTC requirement I will discuss the provisions of care in India and short-fall in public policy to support the same.

## **About the speaker:**

Dr. Tulika Tripathi earned Ph.D. in Economics from Banaras Hindu University (BHU). As a Raman Fellowship Awardee for Post-doctoral research in 2016 she has worked at the University of Chicago. Currently, she is faculty at the Centre for Studies in Economics and Planning at the Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar, where she teaches courses on Development Economics, Health Economics and Research Methodology to students in Masters in Economics, M.Phil., and Doctoral scholars. Her research interest lies in exploring the nuances of the Capability Approach, Labour market participation, and gender and health issues. Her on-going research focuses on, long-term care and caregivers of the Elderly, capability of mobility, violence against women, female labour force participation and women's empowerment. Dr. Tripathi also serves as an EC member of the Indian Society of Labour Economics and Coordinator of the South Asia Network of Human Development and Capabilities Association.