



# **BHAVANA – A Family of Elders**

## **BHARATIYA VARISHTHA NAGARIK SAMITI**

An all India secular, non-political, non-profit, non-government voluntary organization dedicated to the cause and care of Aged Persons and weaker section of society including Women, Physically & Mentally Challenged Persons and Destitute, registered at Lucknow under Societies Registration Act, 1860. Registration no. 662/2000-01

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### **NOTIFICATION**

#### **CREATION OF A CELL (प्रकोष्ठ) FOR MANAGEMENT OF FIRST UP-COMING “BHAVANA OLD AGE HOME” AND FRAMING OF RULES THEREOF**

1. **INTRODUCTION:** Old Age Home concept is in consonance with objectives of Bharatiya Varishtha Nagarik Samiti (BHAVANA) enshrined in Rule 6 of byelaws of BHAVANA, extract of which is reproduced below:-

“अधिक से अधिक बुजुर्गों को जीवन पर्यन्त सम्मान के साथ सुखी एवं स्वस्थ रहने में यथा सम्भव सहयोग देना इस संस्था का प्रमुख संकल्प होगा। यह संस्था बुजुर्गों में स्वावलम्बन, सहयोग, सहिष्णुता एवं सेवा की भावना बलवती करने का हर संभव प्रयास करेगी ताकि उनमें सकारात्मक ऊर्जा का प्रवाह निरंतर होता रहे एवं वे प्रसन्न, स्वस्थ तथा सार्थक जीवन जी सकें।”

**BHAVANA OLD AGE HOMES**, an institutional network of Old Age Homes would be a social institution meant for its gainful utilisation exclusively by members of Bharatiya Varishtha Nagarik Samiti (BHAVANA) on first come first served basis as per prevailing rules.

As enshrined above in Rule 6 of BHAVANA’s byelaws, these homes, shall provide dignified happy & healthy community living to elders. These homes shall strive for strengthening the self esteem of elders by making cooperative contribution to the societal needs and thus instill in them a sense of their utility to the society.

2. **Conceptual Background:** “Bhavana Old Age Homes” is conceptualised as a chain of ‘State of Art’ Old Age Homes with at least 3-star facilities including barrier free services, which could be availed even by persons with disability. These homes are meant for community living of elders to be able to provide them a family like atmosphere, where they can share their joys and sorrows and live happily. These are to be run on no-profit/no-loss basis with following facilities:
- i. *Each of the single/shared/double-bedded rooms* will have an attached toilet, a pantry together with intercom and public address system. The residents will have a common dining place where nutritionally balanced meals will be served.
  - ii. *Common supplementary facilities:* Yoga, Meditation, Gym, Reading/Common Room etc. equipped with indoor recreational facilities.
  - iii. *Special medical facilities and elder care:* Dispensary with beds having doctor and nursing staff for special personal care, mobile health care systems, ambulance shall be available on actual/nominal charges. Helpers trained in Geriatric Care for exclusive personal care would be available on pay and use basis.
  - iv. *For emergency call and for identification of inactive seriously ill residents* (otherwise suffering isolated in their rooms): Modern electronic communication system as well as CCTV surveillance system will be deployed. This system would ensure medical attendance & appropriate elder care, well in time, if need be, to all the residents.
  - v. *General pay & use facilities:* Business room (computer/ internet/ communication/ photocopy), laundry, coffee shop, canteen, barber, general store, guest rooms for visiting guests are also

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proposed to be provided.

3. **The first of the chain of “BHAVANA OLD AGE HOMES”, herein after denoted as “BHAVANA HOME-I”,** is being set up in Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority (YEIDA) situated in National Capital Region (NCR) of Uttar Pradesh, just adjoining Greater Noida.

The initiative of conceptualisation of BHAVANA’s own Old Age Home and its initial seed funding has been done by the President of BHAVANA’s NCR Branch, Shri Anil Kumar Sharma, by extending a soft loan, which ensured getting a 3000 sqm. plot of land allotted to BHAVANA. This event of land allotment acted as catalyst in making public financing feasible through donations from members of BHAVANA, general public, companies or other entities. If felt necessary, the project could also be got financed through bank loans.

4. **Need for a Special Management Body of BHAVANA:** Construction and commissioning of an Old Age Home Project with state of art facilities/services, involves high financial stakes with architectural and engineering complexities during its construction. Besides maintenance of services after its commissioning, deployment of skilled manpower for successful elder care will be the primary requirement for its inhabitants. Therefore, for accomplishment of this challenging task, a Special Cell (Prakoshtha) of BHAVANA is required to be created and made responsible for successful & expeditious construction, commissioning and operation of “BHAVANA HOME-I” on day-to-day basis at reasonable cost.

Special about this Cell (Prakoshtha) is that it is being constituted from amongst such members of BHAVANA, who have expressed their earnestness for the successful and early completion of the subject Old Age Home by donating a minimum of Rs. 1 lakh (one lakh) towards its Building Fund. This Cell, named “**Bhavana Old Age Home Management Prakoshtha**”, shall be answerable direct to the President, Bharatiya Varishtha Nagarik Samiti.

5. **Membership of “BHAVANA HOME-I”:** Since, for the successful completion of this Project, mobilisation of funding forms a key component, there shall be two categories of its membership defined as under:

- a. **Founder Members** will be those members of BHAVANA, who would have actually donated (aggregated donation if paid in instalments) towards the Building Fund of ‘Bhavana Home- I’ till the date of its completion & commissioning as under:
  - i. A minimum of Rs. 1 lakh till 30th June 2017, or
  - ii. A minimum of Rs. 4 lakhs from 1st July 2017 till 30th September 2017, or
  - iii. A minimum of Rs. 8 lakhs from 1st October 2017 till 31st December 2017, or
  - iv. A minimum of Rs. 10 Lakhs from 1st January 2018 till 31st March 2018, or
  - v. A minimum of Rs. 12 lakhs from 1st April 2018 onwards.
- b. **Ordinary Members** will be those members of BHAVANA, who would have actually donated a minimum of Rs. 1 Lakh after 30th June 2017 towards the Building Fund of ‘Bhavana Home-I’.

**(Note:** All donations made as above are exempt under Section 80G of Income Tax Act.)

6. **Entitlement for Members:** A Member shall be entitled to have a rent-free life time accommodation on donating towards the Building Fund of ‘Bhavana Home-I’ a total amount of:

- a. Rs. 15 lakhs (cumulative) for the Member only.
- b. Rs. 22.5 lakhs (cumulative) for the Member and his/her Spouse.

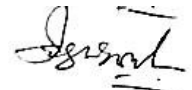
7. **Special Benefits for Founder Members** shall be as under:-

- i. He/She shall be entitled to transfer his/her membership in ‘BHAVANA HOME-I’ either to his/her nominee/kin or to any other member of BHAVANA.

- ii. He/She or his/her nominee shall be entitled to have a rent free stay in 'BHAVANA HOME-I' for number of months in a year in multiple of a lakh of Rupees donated towards its Building Fund.
  - iii. The entitled number of months of rent free stay, not availed in a year, could be carried forward and combined with newer entitlement of the succeeding year(s).
  - iv. He/She shall not be entitled to have a life time rent-free stay in 'BHAVANA HOME-I' unless he/she had donated a total of Rs. 12 lakhs (cumulative) towards its Building Fund. However, to attract time bound contribution towards the Building Fund, which is key to successful completion and commissioning of the Project, as a special case, Founder Members donating a cumulative sum of Rs. 10 lakhs latest by 31st March 2018 shall be entitled to life-time rent free accommodation in the 'BHAVANA HOME-I'.
  - v. He/She shall be able to include his/her spouse also as Founder Member on payment of additional 50% of the total cumulative amount donated by him/her subject to a minimum of Rs. 5 lakhs.
  - vi. A Founder Member donating Rs. 15 Lakhs cumulatively on or before 31st March 2018 as his/her contribution inclusive of his spouse would be recognised as 'Distinguished Founder Member'.
  - vii. Distinguished Founder Member would be accommodated on Ground Floor or the lowest possible floors as per his/her seniority based on donated amount and in case of equal donations, based on date of donation.
  - viii. Names of all Founder Members, and their financial contributions, shall be displayed on the '**Wall of Fame**', to be located at a prominent place within the premises of 'BHAVANA HOME-I'. Details of Distinguished Founder Members shall include their photographs also.
8. Once the membership of 'BHAVANA HOME-I' reaches 20 (twenty), a full fledged branch of BHAVANA by the name "**BHAVANA OLD AGE HOME-I**" shall be constituted and will be allowed to function independently in accordance with BHAVANA's byelaws. Membership of this branch of BHAVANA will be admissible only to the members of 'BHAVANA HOME-I'. The jurisdiction, responsibilities and authorities of this branch shall be limited to the works & services related to and the management of 'BHAVANA HOME-I' and its members.
9. **Bhavana Old Age Home Management Prakoshtha** will be managed by President and Secretary of BHAVANA's NCR Branch only for a period of one year or up to enlargement of the membership of 'BHAVANA HOME-I' to 20 (twenty) and thus creation of "**BHAVANA OLD AGE HOME-I**" Branch, whichever occurs early.
- For their assistance in managing the affairs of the **Prakoshtha**, they will nominate as many as four members from amongst the founder members of 'BHAVANA HOME-I'.
10. **Bhavana Old Age Home Management Prakoshtha** will be functional from the date of issue of this notification.
11. **Mandate of Bhavana Old Age Home Management Prakoshtha:** Following shall be the mandate of this **Prakoshtha**:
- i. All responsibilities related to successful completion, commissioning, operation and maintenance of 'BHAVANA HOME-I' Project, if necessary in a phased manner, in a reasonable time and cost.
  - ii. Generation of adequate resources including raising of loans, as may be considered essential for its completion and commissioning.
  - iii. Opening and maintaining an independent Savings Bank Account, in a RBI approved Scheduled Bank, to deal with all receipts and expenditures related to the 'BHAVANA HOME-I' Project. Initially President & Secretary of NCR Branch of BHAVANA shall

- be the joint signatories of this account. Later on, the President & Secretary of 'BHAVANA OLD AGE HOME-I Branch' shall become the joint signatories of this account.
- iv. Maintenance of books of accounts in such a manner that these are transparently auditable and presentable.
  - v. Settling of all loan accounts, if any, related to this Project including existing loan.
  - vi. Managing the funds donated specifically for this Project from individuals, companies, corporates or any other source(s).
  - vii. Devising benefits of rent free accommodation in Guest Rooms of 'BHAVANA HOME-I', as may be practicable, for donors of amounts less than Rs. 1 lakh.
  - viii. Formulating and approving rules, including their amendments as may be necessary, for admission of BHAVANA members to 'BHAVANA HOME-I' after its completion and commissioning.
  - ix. After its commissioning, to ensure that 'BHAVANA HOME-I' is efficiently operated and maintained for the benefit of its occupants.
  - x. The Prakoshtha shall meet at least once in 2 months and record of all such meetings shall be communicated to the President and the General Secretary (Admn.) of Bharatiya Varishtha Nagarik Samiti. There shall be no binding of quorum for these meetings. But efforts should be made to ensure maximum attendance of the members of the Prakoshtha.
  - xi. Submission of Annual Report of the Prakoshtha along with audited accounts of the penultimate Financial Year and the unaudited balance sheet of the current year (for the period up to 30 days prior to the date notified for Annual Convention) to BHAVANA's General Secretary (Admn.), well before BHAVANA's Annual Convention, for inclusion in BHAVANA's Annual Report to be read by Secretary General (Pramukh Mahasachiv) in the Annual Convention.
12. Clarifications, if needed, about the functioning of **Bhavana Old Age Home Management Prakoshtha** may be sought from BHAVANA's President. Disputes, if any, will also be settled by BHAVANA's President.

This notification is being issued with the approval of BHAVANA's President.



(J.B. Agarwal)  
General Secretary (Admn.)

Forwarded to the following for their information & record. They are requested to please ensure time-bound compliance of the points of this notification directly or even indirectly related to them. They are also requested to give wide publicity to 'BHAVANA OLD AGE HOME' Project coming up in YEIDA, near Greater Noida so that maximum number of Senior Citizens (age 50+), or would-be Senior Citizens, come to know about it and avail this opportunity of safe, secured and decent community living in National Capital Region (NCR) for the rest of their life.

1. Sri Anil Kumar Sharma, President, NCR Branch of BHAVANA.
2. Dr. Mukul Chaturvedi, Secretary, NCR Branch of BHAVANA.
3. President, Senior Vice President, Vice President, Secretary General, General Secretary (Execution), General Secretary (Advocacy), all Dy. General Secretaries, Auditor, Treasurer, both Co-Treasurers, Chief Editor, Editor, Co-Editor and Secretaries/Conveners & members of all Prakoshthas of BHAVANA.
4. All other Branch Presidents & Branch Secretaries of BHAVANA.
5. All respectable Patron Members, Founder Members, Distinguished Members, Life Members & Volunteer Members of BHAVANA.
6. Authorised Representatives of BHAVANA's Institutional Member Organisations.