

The Superannuated man.

In old age, people retire from their official duties. The retirement age is fixed in every country. In Pakistan, the retirement age of government officials is sixty years. However, it varies from country to country. The retired employees are usually granted superannuation or pension so that they ^{can} spend their remaining time happily.

The problem for these people is, more often than not, how to while away their free time. Having spent most of their age in any service, it becomes quite difficult for them to spend their time in leisure. And usually, they do not have enough avenues. It also depends upon the nature of their profession or skill. For instance, if someone has served in managerial post, he may search for private organizations after retirement to serve in them. Some may opt for private business to dispose of their free time and earn some amount of money as well. But the majority of retirees has to reckon with the fact that they have to lick the wounds of loneliness, boredom and anxiety. To do so, it becomes necessary for them to engage in one or the other activity.

Not only they have to confront the challenge of spending their leisure time productively,

but they have also to face the difficulty of shortage of financial resources. With the passage of time, their financial resources dry up, and they find themselves in the thick of worries. For all of the retirees are usually ^{are} not in a position to take on any job to meet their needs. Unfortunately, in these challenging times, most often the offspring desert their ^{parents} ~~time~~. It is because of influence of western culture, the joint family system is in disarray in the subcontinent. Nuclear family is replacing it everywhere. Consequently, the superannuated man, instead of living a relaxed life, face a barrage of challenges to surmount.

All in all, the retirees, despite having spent a major part of their lives in government service, have to undergo multiple multiple challenges in their lives. Challenging, ranging from how and where to while away leisure time, monetary deficit and loneliness. Nevertheless, some of them navigate through all of these challenges unharmed, others are left to endure these hard times and acclimatize themselves with this final chapter of their lives. That said life at its every stage expose you to new challenges, hence you must brace yourself for them.