

Senior citizens seek election manifesto

Ask leaders to address their problems

Over 50s movement

Senior citizens

Senior citizens of Punjab today called upon political parties contesting the Assembly elections in the state to spell out in clear terms in their election manifestos their stand on the important economic and social issues of the state.

A resolution to this effect was passed unanimously in the meeting of the District Council of Senior Citizens Association of Punjab (DSCSA Punjab) held today at Sher-e-Punjab, a home for the aged in Deraon Kohat for the chief magistrate IAS officer retired SP Kishore, president of DSCSA Punjab. More than fifty leaders of the senior citizens associations in various towns of Punjab attended the meeting.

Ascertaining that senior citizens constituted 11 per cent

of the population of the districts, the resolution pointed out senior citizens have an important segment of society but no attention has been paid to their problems. It requests political parties of the state get a concept picture of the 50 per cent population of the state get the 50 per cent.

No effort has been made to provide health facilities of senior citizens. This called by the state government for protection of life and property of senior citizens has not been fully achieved. Implementation of the Minimum and Maximum Pension and Senior Citizen Act, 1980 in the state have much to be desired as its objectives have not been achieved. It was decided

to launch a special campaign to create awareness in the society about problems of senior citizens and mobilise political leadership to meet them.