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CHANGE IN THE AUTHORITY AND STATUS OF THE AGED: EMERGING CHALLENGES AND ISSUES

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ABSTRACT

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In Ladakh, experience of aging is not same today as it was in earlier. The social and economic roles of older persons, their expectations of the community, as well as what society expects of them, are in many ways greatly different today from previous generations. Until recently, only a minority of people lived long enough to be considered old. As the number of older people has grown and as social values and roles have changed, the authority and power of older adults in society have also shifted. There are various methods in Gerontology the present paper is an attempt to study aging in Leh from Disengagement theory.

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