

Case against 3 sisters for neglecting 65-yr-old dad

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Perambalur: A 65-year-old man in Perambalur district has lodged a complaint against his three daughters alleging that they were neglecting him.

Police have registered a case under the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act 2007 against the three women and are interrogating them. The case is unusual. In the past, we have had cases of sons being accused of neglecting their parents. This is the first time we have a case against women, said Tiruchi Range DIG A G Mourya. He said they were questioning all the three women on the allegations levelled by their father.

Police said R Chinnasamy, aged 65, a native of Neduvasal village in Perambalur district had lost his wife Alamelu four years back. An agricultural labourer, Chinnasamy was living alone while his daughters Mallika Muthuramalingam (40), Malarkodi Ramasamy (38) and Shanthi Muthusamy (35) were all living with their in-laws in and around Neduvasal village. Their husbands were working as farm hands, police said. Curiously, Chinnasamy has not mentioned his sons-in-law in his complaint.

When Chinnasamy's health deteriorated and he found the going tough he went to the houses of his daughters, but was turned away by all of them. Peeved by their callousness, Chinnasamy lodged a complaint at Maruvathur police station on Tuesday, alleging that his daughters were not taking care of him.

I toiled for years to get them all married and ensure that they lead a peaceful life. But they chased me away without even offering food, Chinnasamy said in his complaint. It was his neighbours who were taking care of him, offering him food, medicines and shelter, he said. Chinnasamy also said he owned three acres of land but had to give it to his daughters after they allegedly harassed him to part with the land.

He was very depressed when he came to the station to lodge the complaint. We assured him that all will be well soon, police said.

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