

Neglect means abandoning the care or noninterference by other people to the persons who need the care. Against this situation, Self neglect means “the abandoning the care to the person himself” . Example: so called garbage house or pasturage of many animals or repeated rejection of medical care or service give a bad influence to health or in severe case it leads to one’ s life threatening.

As it is the case of self-neglect, each individual is responsible to the results also. Some persons may think in this way, but the persons trapped in self-neglect may not dispatch the SOS signal without looking at the case objectively. There are the cases when some persons may degrade the power to ask help because of dementia or diseases.

Especially elderly people may remain with little self assertiveness, and reject help by other persons, saying “I can do it anyway” or ” no need to come to me for help” . Such persons among them hesitate to tell them the truth, although they really need someone’ s support.

If you find such people close to you, it is very important that you make contact with such persons. On the other hand, Civil Welfare Committee and Welfare Volunteer should continue making “take care activities” towards the people isolated so that they may be found and helped, “keep an eye on activities.” These activities should watch over self-esteem and dignity of the individual persons themselves. They may have difficulty, but receiving the cooperation by many sectors, let’ s aim to have a society where all the people feel easy to live in.

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