



Rajasthan to Make State Elderly Friendly | Rajasthan | 01 Oct 2025

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Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma reiterated the state government's commitment to **making Rajasthan an "elderly-friendly state"** during his address ahead of the **International Day of Older Persons**, which is observed annually on **1st October**.

Key Points

- **Initiatives by Rajasthan Government:**
 - **Honouring Contributions:** The Social Justice and Empowerment Department has launched **various welfare programs** for the elderly, and on 1st October, individuals and institutions contributing to elderly welfare will be honoured at the district level.
 - Rajasthan currently **operates 63 old-age homes** that provide food, healthcare, and shelter for destitute citizens.
 - Facilities like **Shravan Kumar Welfare Ashrams** offer medical support, adult education, religious activities, and recreation for senior citizens.
 - **Inclusive Welfare Projects:** All new welfare and infrastructure projects will include **provisions tailored for senior citizens**.
 - **Housing Schemes:** New housing developments will **feature ramps, supportive staircases, parks**, and medical facilities to cater to the needs of the elderly.
 - **Parents and Senior Citizens Maintenance Act, 2007:** The **Act** is being strictly enforced, and **tribunals have been set up** at both subdivision and district levels to safeguard the rights of senior citizens.
 - **International Day of Older Persons:** This day is celebrated to recognise the contributions made by older people and promote the need for inclusive and age-friendly societies.
 - Designated by the [UN General Assembly](#) on **14th October, 1990**, it is based on the [Vienna International Plan of Action on Ageing \(1982\)](#) and the **UN Principles for Older Persons**.
 - **Theme:** The 2025 theme, **"Older Persons Driving Local and Global Action: Our Aspirations, Our Well-Being and Our Rights"**, highlights the transformative role older persons play in building resilient and equitable societies.
 - **Commitments & Global Framework:**
 - The [UN Decade of Healthy Ageing \(2021-2030\)](#) aligns with [SDG 3](#) on Good Health and Well-being.
 - India formulated the [National Policy on Older Persons \(NPOP\)](#) in **1999** and is a signatory to the [Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing \(2002\)](#).
 - As of December 2023, India has **153 million** elderly individuals (aged 60 and above), projected to rise to **347 million by 2050**, accounting for **20.8% of the total population**.
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Jaipur Leads NCRB List in Cheating Cases | Rajasthan | 01 Oct 2025

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The [National Crime Records Bureau \(NCRB\)](#) report for 2023 highlights that **Jaipur ranks third** in the country for major crimes, including murder, theft, kidnapping, and crimes against women.

- However, the most significant concern for the city police is the surge in cheating cases, where **Jaipur occupies the first position** nationwide.

Key Points

- **Cheating:** According to the NCRB, Jaipur recorded **3,331 cases of cheating in 2023**, making it the **highest in the country**. Bengaluru followed with 3,109 cases, New Delhi with 2,766 cases, and Mumbai with 2,445 cases.
 - A large number of these cases are linked to [financial fraud](#), such as the use of cloned debit and credit cards, which the police admit pose a serious challenge because of the **involvement of multiple stakeholders** like banks and financial services companies.
- **Theft:** In terms of theft, Jaipur stands at the **third position with 10,003 cases**, only behind Bengaluru, which recorded 10,438 and New Delhi, which topped the list with an alarming 2,28,173 cases.
- **Kidnappings:** A similar trend is seen in kidnappings, where Jaipur registered **939 cases**, again **ranking third** after Bengaluru with 1,203 cases and New Delhi with 5,867 cases.
- **Murder:** When it comes to murders, Jaipur is in the **third spot with 131 cases**, while Bengaluru recorded 215 and New Delhi 521 cases in 2023.
- **Crime Against Women:** The city also features prominently in [crimes against women](#), especially in cases related to outraging the modesty of women. Jaipur recorded **408 such cases in 2023**, placing it behind Bengaluru with 736, Mumbai with 781, and New Delhi with 800 cases.

Law and Order Initiatives by Rajasthan

- Strengthening of the surveillance and security system under the '**Rajasthan Civil Security Act**'
- Provision of expenditure of Rs 350 crore on the establishment of the **Sardar Patel Centre for Cyber Control and War Room**.
- Establishment of **400 Video Conference (VC) Nodes** for the production of undertrial prisoners.
- Installation of the **T-HCBS system** to block illegal mobile signals in 7 Central Prisons.
- Provision for establishing **8 new cyber police stations**.