## UGC REGULATIONS FOLLOWED FOR CURBING THE MENACE OF RAGGING IN HIGHER EDUCATION INSTUTUTIONS

Ragging is totally banned in the college. Details of the UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of ragging in Higher Educational Institutions 2009 are put on the website, displayed prominently in several parts of the college and are incorporated in the handbook.

The college ensures that the Online Anti-Ragging Undertaking is filled by every student, every academic year.

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Important aspects of the Regulation are given below:

- ➤ What constitutes Ragging: Ragging constitutes one or more of any of the following acts:
- a.) any conduct by any student or students whether by words spoken or written or by an act which has the effect of teasing, treating or handling with rudeness a fresher or any other student;
- b.) indulging in rowdy or indisciplined activities by any student or students which causes or is likely to cause annoyance, hardship, physical or psychological harm or to raise fear or apprehension thereof in any fresher or any other student;
- c.) asking any student to do any act which such student will not in the ordinary course do and which has the effect of causing or generating a sense of shame, or torment or embarrassment so as to adversely affect the physique or psyche of such fresher or any other student;
- d.) any act by a senior student that prevents, disrupts or disturbs the regular academic activity of any other student or a fresher;
- e.) exploiting the services of a fresher or any other student for completing the academic tasks assigned to an individual or a group of students,
- f.) any act of financial extortion or forceful expenditure burden put on a fresher or any other student by students;
- any act of physical abuse including all variants of it: sexual abuse, homosexual assaults, stripping, forcing obscene and lewd acts, gestures, causing bodily harm or any other danger to health or person;
- g.) any act or abuse by spoken words, emails, post, public insults which would also

include deriving perverted pleasure, vicarious or sadistic thrill from actively or passively participating in the discomfiture to fresher or any other student;

- h.) any act that affects the mental health and self-confidence of a fresher or any other student.
- Action to be taken by the Head of the Institution: On receipt of the recommendation of the Anti-Ragging Squad or on receipt of any information concerning any reported incident of ragging, the Head of institution shall immediately determine if a case under the penal laws is made out and if so, either on his own or through a member of the Anti-Ragging Committee authorised by him in this behalf, proceed to file a First Information Report (FIR), within twenty four hours of receipt of such information or recommendation, with the police and local authorities, under the appropriate penal provisions mentioned in the "UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009".
- Administrative action in the event of ragging: The institution shall punish a student found guilty of ragging after following the procedure mentioned in the "UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009".

## **ANTI-RAGGING**

- 1. The Anti-Ragging undertaking is mandatory for every student for every academic year.
- 2. UGC website <a href="www.ugc.ac.in">www.ugc.ac.in</a> and <a href="www.ugc.ac.in">www.ugc.ac.in</a> and <a href="www.ugc.ac.in">www.anti-ragging.in</a>. Students in distress due to ragging relates incidents can call the National Anti-Ragging helpline 1800-180-5522 (24\*7 Toll Free) or Email the Anti-Ragging <a href="helpline@antiragging.in">Helpline@antiragging.in</a>
- 3. The definition of ragging according to the 3<sup>rd</sup> amendment in UGC Regulations on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2016 is as follows "any act of physical or mental abuse (including bullying and exclusion) targeted at another student (fresher or otherwise) on the ground of color, race, religion, caste, ethnicity, gender (including transgender), sexual orientation, appearance, nationality, religion origins, linguistic identity, place of birth, place of residence economic background.
- 4. The College has a grievance redressed committee which handles anti-ragging and sexual harassment cases.