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ANTI-RAGGING POLICY

According to the "UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009", the College has a comprehensive and efficient anti-ragging policy in place. The UGC Regulations were developed with consideration for the instructions from the Supreme Court of India to prevent and forbid ragging in all Indian educational Institutions.

According to the UGC Regulation on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Institutions, 2009, ragging constitutes one or more of any of the following acts:

- 1. 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.
- 2. Indulging in rowdy or undisciplined 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.
- 3. 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, torment or embarrassment so as to adversely affect the physique or psyche of such fresher or any other student.
- 4. Any act by a senior student that prevents, disrupts or disturbs the regular academic activity of any other student or a fresher.
- 5. Exploiting the services of a fresher or any other student for completing the academic tasks assigned to an individual or a group of students.
- 6. Any act of financial extortion or forceful expenditure burden put on a fresher or any other student by students

- 7. 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;
- 8. Any act or abuse by spoken words, emails, posts, or public insults would also include deriving perverted pleasure, and vicarious or sadistic thrill from actively or passively participating in the discomfiture to fresher or any other student.
- 9. Any act of physical or mental abuse (including bullying and exclusion) targeted at another student (fresher or otherwise) on the ground of colour, race, religion, caste, ethnicity, gender (including transgender), sexual orientation, appearance, nationality, regional origins, linguistic identity, place of birth, place of residence or economic background.

Anti-Ragging Measures:

- 1. By exercise of the disciplinary authority of the teachers over the students and of the management of the institutions over the teachers and students.
- 2. No effort should be made to minimize the number of 'reported cases'.
- 3. Reporting is to be encouraged through all available means.
- 4. Anti-ragging movement should be initiated by the institutions right from the time of advertisement for admissions.
- 5. The prospectus, the form for admission and /or any other literature issued to the aspirants for admission must clearly mention that ragging is banned in the institution and anyone indulging in ragging is likely to receive deterrent punishment.

Anti-Ragging Committee:

The Anti-Ragging Committee, constituted by the Principal, comprises members from the faculty, parents, students from the freshers' batch and seniors, non-teaching staff. The committee shall examine all complaints of anti-ragging and come out with recommendations, based on the nature of the incident.

A student found guilty by the committee will be subjected to one or more of the following punishments, as imposed by the Anti-Ragging Committee:

- 1. Cancellation of admission.
- 2. Suspension from attending classes.
- 3. Withholding/withdrawing scholarship/fellowship and other benefits.

- 4. Debarring from appearing in any test/examination or other evaluation process.
- 5. Withholding results.
- 6. Debarring from representing the institution in any national or international meet, tournament, youth festival, etc.
- 7. Suspension/expulsion from the hostel.
- 8. Rustication from the institution for periods varying from 1 to 4 semesters or equivalent period.
- 9. Expulsion from the institution and consequent debarring from admission to any other institution.



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