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University Grants Commission
(शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)
(Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

D.O. F. No. 1-15/2009(ARC)PT.III

12th June, 2023

To,

The Vice Chancellor of all University
The Principal of all Colleges

Subject: Regarding revised procedure of Anti Ragging Undertaking & Compliance submission.

Sir/Madam,

As part of UGC's initiative towards reduction of compliance burden of its stakeholders, UGC has revised the procedure for students to file online Anti Ragging undertaking. Now the procedure is completely online and student is not required to submit any hard/printed affidavit in institute.

This procedure has been changed with the view to conserve paper, to protect our environment and to reduce compliance burden of our stakeholders.

It has been observed that some prominent institutions are still following the previous exercise. You are therefore requested to adopt the revised procedure and not to receive any hard/ printed affidavit by students.

Anti-Ragging Undertaking must be filled by the students online on <http://www.antiragging.in> only. Universities/Colleges will not accept Anti Ragging Undertaking by students in Hard/Printed copy/Affidavits. **(Please note that the student is not required to print & sign it as it used to be in the earlier case).**

Further the compliance submission is not upto the mark by the institutions, therefore you are also requested to submit compliance on the following link:

https://www.antiragging.in/compliance_desclaimer.html

Soft copy of the Anti-Ragging Posters are also enclosed with a request to display on the prominent places in your campus areas like Admission Centre, Departments, Library, Canteen, Hostel, and Common facilities etc.

For any query in this matter, you may contact National Anti-Ragging Helpline **1800-180-5522** or email us at helpline@antiragging.in

With regards,

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Yours faithfully,

(Tejas P. Joshi)

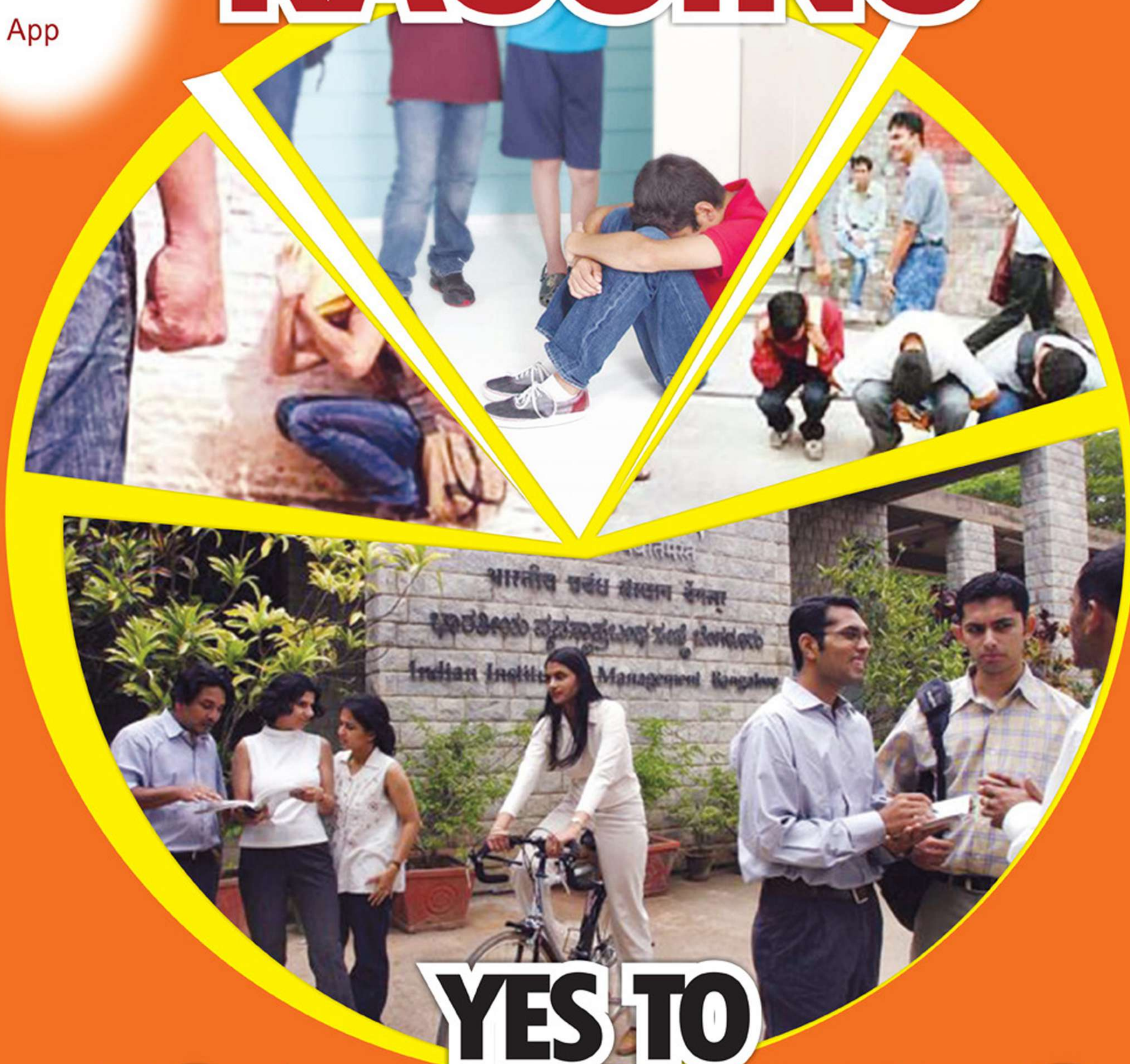


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What is Ragging?

Any Act Resulting in:

- Mental/physical/sexual Abuse
- Verbal Abuse
- Indecent Behaviour
- Criminal Intimidation/wrongful Restraint
- Undermining Human Dignity
- Financial Exploitation/extortion
- Use Of Force

A STUDENT INDULGING IN RAGGING CAN BE:

- Cancellation of admission.
- Suspension from attending classes.
- Withholding/withdrawing Scholarship/Fellowship and other benefits.
- Debarring from appearing in any test/ examination or other evaluation process.
- Withholding results.
- Debarring from representing the institution in any regional, national or international meet, tournament or youth festival etc.
- **Collective punishment** : when the persons committing or abetting the crime of ragging are not identified the institution shall resort to collective punishment as a deterrent to ensure community pressure on potential ragger.



Immediately call
UGC Anti-Ragging Helpline
1800-180-5522 (24X7 toll free)
or send an e-mail to helpline@antiragging.in



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**Will I get
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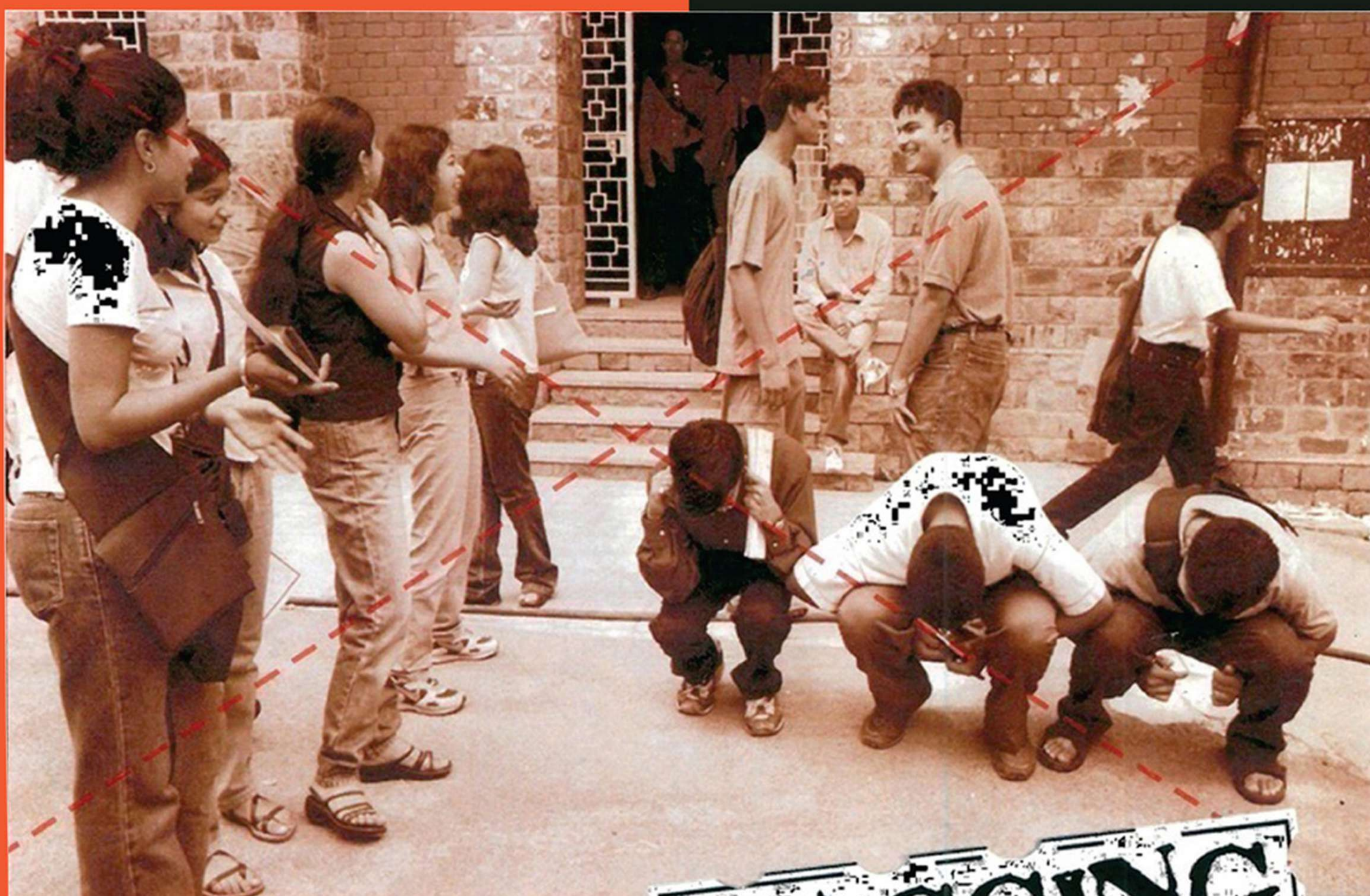
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(Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

F. No. 1-15/2009(ARC)PT.III

5 श्रावण, 2026/July 27, 2026

Subject: Strict Implementation of UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions

आदरणीय महोदया/महोदय,

The University Grants Commission (UGC), in pursuance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court Judgment dated 08.05.2009 in Civil Appeal No. 887/2009, notified the **UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009**. The Regulations are available at www.ugc.gov.in and www.antiragging.in.

All Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) are advised to ensure strict compliance with the UGC Anti-Ragging Regulations and adopt effective measures to prevent, prohibit, and eliminate ragging in all its forms.

Institutions shall, inter alia, ensure:

- Constitution and effective functioning of anti-ragging bodies as prescribed under the Regulations.
- Display of 24x7 Toll Free Number. **1800-180-5522**, anti-ragging posters and publicity materials at prominent locations.
- Submission of anti-ragging undertakings by students and parents through www.antiragging.in.
- Conduct of awareness, counselling, orientation, and sensitization programmes.
- Vigilance in hostels and other vulnerable areas.
- Prompt redressal of complaints, protection of complainants, and timely reporting of cases.
- Immediate registration of FIRs and disciplinary action wherever a prima facie case of ragging is established.

All institutions are requested to accord the highest priority to anti-ragging measures, maintain zero tolerance towards ragging, and ensure compliance by affiliated colleges under their jurisdiction.

सादर,

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Vice-Chancellors/ Directors/ Principals of all HEI'S



**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

Higher Education (K) Department

No. K3/144/2026-HEDN

24-07-2026, Thiruvananthapuram

From

Principal Secretary to Government

To

1. Director of Collegiate Education, Thiruvananthapuram.
2. Director of Technical Education, Thiruvananthapuram.
3. The Registrar, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram/ M.G. University, Kottayam/ Sree Sankaracharya University Sanskrit, Kalady, Ernakulam/ Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi/ Calicut University, Malappuram/ Kannur University, Kannur/ Malayalam University, Thirur/ National University of Advanced Legal Studies, H.M.T. Colony P.O., Kalamassery, Ernakulam, A P J Abdul Kalam Technological University, College of Engineering Campus, Thiruvananthapuram, Sreenarayanaguru Open University, Kureppuzha, Kollam.

Sir,

Sub: Higher Education - Guidelines issued by the NHRC to prevent Ragging in campuses - Reg.

Ref: Various representations to implement the guidelines issued by the NHRC.

I am to forward herewith the copies of the references cited for strict compliance and to furnish the Action Taken Report thereon urgently to Government.

Yours Faithfully,
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UNDER SECRETARY

For Principal Secretary to Government.

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Chief Secretary


Date: 02/07/26

To
The Chief Secretary
Government of Kerala

Subject: Request for Ensuring Compliance with the NHRC Directions and the UGC Anti-Ragging Regulations for the Academic Session 2026–27

Respected Sir/Madam,

We at **Society Against Violence in Education (SAVE)**, India's largest Anti-Ragging NGO, respectfully invite your kind attention to the **National Human Rights Commission's letter dated 13 October 2025**, addressed to the **Chief Secretaries** of all States and Union Territories, regarding the implementation of the **UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009**.

Through the said communication, the NHRC had requested **all Chief Secretaries** to take necessary steps to ensure strict compliance with the UGC Anti-Ragging Regulations across all higher educational institutions, to ensure that **no incident of ragging occurs within educational premises**, and to establish **effective monitoring systems, awareness initiatives, and grievance redressal mechanisms** for prompt prevention and redressal of ragging incidents.

As the **Academic Session 2026–27** is now commencing across higher educational institutions, we most respectfully request your good office to kindly ensure that the **above directions of the National Human Rights Commission are effectively communicated to and implemented** across all universities, colleges, medical institutions, engineering colleges and other higher educational institutions under the jurisdiction of your State/UT in this upcoming academic session also.

In particular, we request that suitable directions may kindly be issued to all institutions to ensure:

1. **Strict compliance** with the UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009.
2. **Effective functioning of Anti-Ragging Committees, Anti-Ragging Squads**, and all other statutory mechanisms prescribed under the UGC Regulations.
3. **Sharing of the numbers** of the aforementioned Committees and Squads with the fresher students, and display of the same at various places all across the campus and at the college website main page.
4. **Robust monitoring mechanisms** within campuses and hostels to prevent ragging, including **CCTV cameras, surprise checks and periodic surveys** as mentioned in the UGC Regulations.
5. **Comprehensive awareness and sensitisation programmes** for students, faculty members, wardens and staff before and during the commencement of the academic session.
6. **Accessible and effective grievance redressal mechanisms** for prompt reporting and expeditious disposal of complaints.



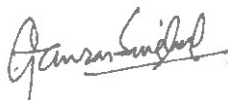
Ragging continues to be a serious concern in higher educational institutions across India. Nearly **3,000 incidents** have been reported on the UGC Anti-Ragging Helpline during the last three years alone, with several cases resulting in loss of young lives and many others causing severe psychological trauma. These tragic incidents underscore the urgent need for strict and effective implementation of the existing anti-ragging framework.

SAVE has been working in the field of anti-ragging for over two decades and remains committed to supporting Governments and educational institutions in strengthening anti-ragging measures. Should your office require **any assistance, awareness material or policy inputs**, we shall be honoured to extend our cooperation.

We shall be grateful for your kind intervention and earnestly request that the directions issued by the National Human Rights Commission to you are effectively implemented across all higher educational institutions in your State/UT for the Academic Session 2026–27.

With respectful regards,

Yours faithfully,



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Annexure:

NHRC's Letter dated 13th October 2025 to Chief Secretaries of all States and Union Territories

CC:

The National Human Rights Commission





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Dated: 13th October 2025

To,

The Chief Secretaries of all States/ UTs

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डायरी सं. 7638100..
दिनांक 17/10/25

Subject: Ensuring Implementation of UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009 - regarding.

Sir,

The National Human Rights Commission is mandated under the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993, to protect and promote the human rights of all persons. In order to fulfil its mandate, the Commission performs several functions, including reviewing the safeguards provided by or under the Constitution or any law for the time being in force, for the protection of human rights and recommending measures for their effective implementation in the country.

2. In light of the growing incidents of ragging in the higher educational institutions, the Commission convened an Open House Discussion on 'Re-examining Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions: Creating Safer Campuses through Awareness, Accountability and Action' at Manav Adhikar Bhawan, New Delhi, on 25th August 2025 under the chairpersonship of Justice Shri V. Ramasubramanian, Chairperson, NHRC. The minutes of the meeting enclosed).

3. The deliberations underscored the urgent need for educational institutions to ensure strict implementation of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009.

4. In this regard, you are requested to look into the matter and take the necessary steps to take stringent measures to ensure strict compliance with the UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009, across all educational institutions of your States/ UTs. Please also ensure that no incident of ragging occurs within the premises and that effective monitoring systems, awareness initiatives, and redressal mechanisms are in place to address any complaints promptly.

5. You are also requested to share details of the action taken in the matter with the Commission, latest by 15th November 2025. A copy of the same may kindly be mailed to dsr.nhrc@nic.in.

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डायरी संख्या 5402
दिनांक 28/10/25

With regards
JSHB/CCE/JSTE

Yours sincerely

[Samir Kumar]
Joint Secretary, NHRC

Enclosed: as above

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deliberation: i.) understanding the impact of ragging, ii.) reviewing legal and institutional frameworks, and iii.) exploring preventive measures through, awareness, accountability, and inclusion.

3. In his opening remarks, **Shri Bharat Lal**, Secretary General, NHRC, Bharat Lal highlighted that medical institutions account for 38.6% of ragging incidents, marking them as critical areas of concern. Referring to the R. K. Raghavan Committee, he reiterated the foundational principles of *Prevention, Prohibition, and Punishment*. He identified key challenges, including poor enforcement, under-reporting due to fear, lack of sensitization, and cultural normalization of ragging. He emphasized the need for increased awareness, better institutional monitoring, and safer reporting mechanisms. Stressing the pivotal role of NHRC, he called for actionable and outcome-oriented discussions. He also mentioned that ragging is against the Indian ethos. Highlighting the three issues to be discussed in the open house, he also posed a question whether all ragging complaints registered on UGC portal are automatically get transferred to NHRC for taking appropriate action.



Shri Bharat Lal, Secretary General, NHRC, delivering opening remarks to the participants

4. **Dr. Justice Bidyut Ranjan Sarangi**, Hon'ble Member, NHRC, in his address stressed on identification of the causes and appealed to the participants to give concrete preventive measures to underscore the problem of ragging. **Smt. Vijaya Bharathi Sayani**, Hon'ble Member, NHRC, further highlighted the prevalence of caste-based ragging in certain parts of the country and emphasised the need for inclusive, targeted interventions.



of stakeholder consultation to ensure inclusivity and effectiveness. Furthermore, she drew attention to the National Task Force on Student Mental Health and Suicide Prevention in Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) and referred to the guidelines on suicides on campuses, applicable not only to universities but also to coaching institutions. She concluded her intervention by welcoming the directions issued by the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) on this subject.



Smt. Rina Sonowal Kouli, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Education, providing an overview of the higher education ecosystem in India

8. **Prof. Manish R. Joshi, Secretary, University Grants Commission (UGC)** elaborated on the UGC's regulatory framework and the comprehensive Anti-Ragging Policy that has been in force since 2009. He underscored the importance of the online affidavit system and highlighted the role of district-level committees in ensuring compliance. He explained that in cases of non-compliance, show-cause notices are duly issued to institutions. In terms of recommendations for the NHRC, Shri Joshi suggested the possibility of conducting joint awareness campaigns in Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities, strengthening psychosocial support systems in higher educational institutions, establishing real-time grievance dashboards with anonymized data, holding quarterly review meetings with NHRC and other stakeholders to monitor progress, and mandating the inclusion of anti-ragging modules in student induction programs.

9. **Smt. Alka Tomar, Chairperson, Centre for Youth** outlined the Centre for Youth's role in ensuring the anti-ragging system functions effectively. She highlighted the online student undertaking process and compliance requirements, such as anti-ragging cells in every HEI.



12. **Dr. Gururaj Gopinath Pamidi**, Chief Administrative Officer, IIM, Indore emphasized the responsibility of institutions in preventing ragging and advocated for the creation of a strong and collaborative ecosystem where institutions can learn from each other and adopt best practices. He also spoke about the importance of establishing Centres for Wellness and Inclusion (CWI) on campuses, which would offer comprehensive mental health services, including access to professional counselors. A strong mentor-mentee program, coupled with sensitization initiatives, was recommended to foster student safety and emotional well-being. He called for transparent, efficient, and well-structured grievance redressal mechanisms and emphasized the importance of prevention by integrating awareness campaigns from the point of student induction.

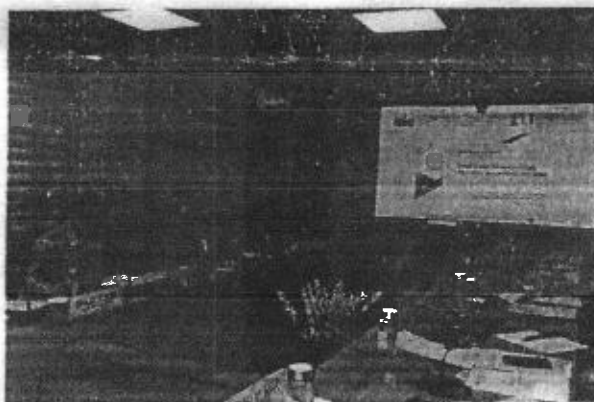


Dr. Gururaj Gopinath Pamidi, Chief Administrative Officer, IIM Indore, sharing suggestions on curbing ragging in higher educational institutions

13. **Dr. Arvind Kumar Drave**, Consultant, National Medical Commission (NMC), recommended that institutions must provide complete and timely responses to NMC's structured inquiries to ensure accountability in reported cases. To minimize ragging, he advocated for the separation of freshers and seniors in hostels and the installation of CCTV cameras at all entry points to monitor activity. He stressed the need for wellness centres in all colleges, which should offer yoga, cultural programs, and similar activities to support students' mental health. Recognizing the high pressure faced by postgraduate students, he called for reducing workload and addressing harassment by academic guides. Additionally, he urged the reactivation of district advisory committees, pointing out their critical role in case review

14. **Prof. Sampa Saha**, IIT, Delhi, highlighted the structured initiatives already in place to prevent ragging at the institution. She emphasized that cyber-bullying is emerging as a

17. **Shri Gaurav Singhal**, Vice President, Society Against Violence in Education (SAVE) emphasized that colleges and universities must adopt strict anti-ragging measures to ensure student safety and legal compliance. To safeguard freshers, he recommended providing an information leaflet at admission with emergency contacts, rights, and reporting mechanisms. He also stressed the importance of accommodating freshers in separate hostel blocks wherever possible, along with active monitoring, surprise checks, CCTV surveillance and strict enforcement by Anti-Ragging Committees and Squads. Furthermore, he underlined the crucial role of parental involvement in preventing and addressing ragging.



Shri Gaurav Singhal, Vice President, Society Against Violence in Education (SAVE)

18. **Ms. Meera Kaura Patel**, Legal head, Society Against Violence in Education (SAVE) emphasized that ragging has been made a cognizable offence only in a few states and stressed the need for a National Anti-Ragging Act to make it cognizable across the country. She noted that even where such provisions exist, victims are often unwilling to disclose their identity, and anonymous reporting limits proper inquiries. To address this, she suggested granting locus to not-for-profit organisations to represent victims and underlined the importance of institutional accountability in reducing ragging cases. She further recommended a compliance mechanism requiring all academic institutions to upload an annual anti-ragging report, which would strengthen adherence to regulations. Lastly, she called for collaboration between the NHRC, NALSA, and UGC to expand legal assistance for victims and urged the NHRC to play a supervisory role in monitoring the closure of ragging cases.



Annex

List of participants

National Human Rights Commission

1. Justice V Ramasubramanian, Hon'ble Chairperson
2. Dr. Justice Bidyut Ranjan Sarangi, Hon'ble Member
3. Smt. Vijaya Bharathi Sayani, Hon'ble Member
4. Shri Bharat Lal, Secretary General
5. Shri Samir Kumar, Joint Secretary
6. Smt. Saidingpuii Chhakchhuak, Joint Secretary
7. Lt Col Virender Singh, Director
8. Shri Sanjay Kumar, Deputy Secretary
9. Dr. (Ms.) Rajul Raikwar, Consultant (Research)
10. Ms. Prema Hasija, Junior Research Consultant

Participants from Ministries and other Organizations

1. Smt. Rina Sonowal Kouli, Joint Secretary, Dept. of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India
2. Prof. Manish R. Joshi Secretary, University Grants Commission (UGC)
3. Dr. N. H Siddalinga Swamy, Advisor, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), New Delhi
4. Prof. Manas K. Mandal, Professor, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur
5. Shri Bharat Parashar, Member Secretary, National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi
6. Dr. Rakesh Lodha, Associate Dean, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi
7. Dr. Gururaj Gopinath Pamidi, Chief Administrative Officer, IIM, Indore
8. Dr. Arvind Kumar Drove, Consultant, National Medical Commission (NMC), New Delhi
9. Prof. Sampa Saha, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi
10. Prof. Royana Singh, Professor, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
11. Prof. Rajendra Kachroo, Founder, Aman Movement;
12. Smt. Alka Tomar, Chairperson, Centre for Youth
13. Dr. Meet Ghonia, National Secretary, The Federation of Resident Doctors Association
14. Shri Gaurav Singhal, Vice President, Society Against Violence in Education (SAVE)
15. Smt. Meera Kaura Patel, Legal head, Society Against Violence in Education (SAVE)

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