

Prevention and prohibition of Ragging

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
UGC REGULATIONS ON CURBING THE MENACE OF RAGGING IN
HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, 2009.
(under Section 26 (1)(g) of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956)
New Delhi-110002, the 17th June 2009

The Raghavan Committee report, submitted to the court in May 2007, includes a proposal to include ragging as a special section under the **Indian Penal Code**. The Supreme Court of India interim order (based on the recommendations) dated May 16, 2007 makes it obligatory for academic institutions to file official **First Information Reports (FIR)** with the police in any instance of a complaint of ragging. This would ensure that all cases would be formally investigated under **criminal justice system**

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 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;
- 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;
- g. 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;
- h. any act or abuse by spoken words, emails, posts, 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;
- i. any act that affects the mental health and self-confidence of a fresher or any other student with or without an intent to derive a sadistic pleasure or showing off power, authority or superiority by a student over any fresher or any other student.

PUNISHMENT:-

1. The punishment to be meted out to the persons indulged in ragging has to be exemplary and justifiably harsh to act as a deterrent against recurrence of such incidents.
2. Every single incident of ragging a First Information Report (FIR) must be filed without exception by the institutional authorities with the local police authorities.
3. The Anti-Ragging Committee of the institution shall take an appropriate decision, with regard to punishment or otherwise, depending on the facts of each incident of ragging and nature and gravity of the incident of ragging.
4. a) Depending upon the nature and gravity of the offence as established the possible punishments for those found guilty of ragging at the institution level shall be any one or any combination of the following:-
 - (i) Cancellation of admission
 - (ii) Suspension from attending classes
 - (iii) Withholding/withdrawing scholarship/fellowship and other benefits
 - (iv) Debarring from appearing in any test/examination or other evaluation process
 - (v) Withholding results
 - (vi) Debarring from representing the institution in any regional, national or international meet, tournament, youth festival, etc.
 - (vii) Suspension/expulsion from the hostel
 - (viii) Rustication from the institution for period ranging from 1 to 4 semesters
 - (ix) Expulsion from the institution and consequent debarring from admission to any other institution.
- b) 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 the potential raggers.

Dear Students,

Pls submit two NOTARIZED AFFIDAVITS ON Rs. 20/- STAMP PAPER:

- a. **Affidavit by student**
- b. **Affidavit by parent**

ANNEXURE I
AFFIDAVIT BY THE STUDENT

I, _____ (full name of student with admission/registration/enrolment number)
s/o - d/o Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____

- 1) having been admitted to INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & MEDIA, KOLKATA have received a copy of the UGC regulations on Curbing the menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009, (hereinafter called the “Regulations”) carefully read and fully understood the provisions contained in the said Regulations.
- 2) I have, in particular, perused clause 3 of the Regulations and am aware as to what constitutes ragging.
- 3) I have also, in particular, perused clause 7 and clause 9.1 of the Regulation and am fully aware of the penal and administrative action that is liable to be taken against me in case I am found guilty of or abetting ragging, actively or passively, or being part of a conspiracy to promote ragging.
- 4) I hereby solemnly aver and undertake that
 - a) I will not indulge in any behavior or act that may be constituted as ragging under clause 3 of the Regulations.
 - b) I will not participate in or abet or propagate through any act of commission or omission that may be constituted as ragging under clause 3 of the Regulations.
- 5) I hereby affirm that, if found guilty of ragging, I am liable for punishment according to clause 9.1 of the Regulations, without prejudice to any other criminal action that may be taken against me under any penal law or any law for the time being in force.
- 6) I hereby declare that I have not been expelled or debarred from admission in any institution in the country on account of being found guilty of, abetting or being part of a conspiracy to promote, ragging; and further affirm that, in case the declaration is found to be untrue, I am aware that my admission is liable to be cancelled.

Declared this _____ day of _____ month of _____ year _____

Signature of Deponent

Name:

VERIFICATION

Verified that the contents of this affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge and no part of the affidavit is false and nothing has been concealed or misstated therein.

Verified at (place) on this the (day) of (month) (year)

Signature of deponent

Solemnly affirmed and signed in my presence on this the _____ (day) of _____ month, (year) after reading the contents of this affidavit.

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ANNEXURE II
AFFIDAVIT BY PARENT/GUARDIAN

I, Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____
(full name of parent/guardian) father / mother/guardian of _____
(full name of student with admission /registration/enrolment number),

- 1) having been admitted to **INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & MEDIA, KOLKATA**, have received a copy of the UGC regulations on Curbing the menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009, (hereinafter called the“Regulations”) carefully read and fully understood the provisions contained in the said Regulations.
- 2) I have, in particular, perused clause 3 of the Regulations and am aware as to what constitutes ragging.
- 3) I have also, in particular, perused clause 7 and clause 9.1 of the Regulations and am fully aware of the penal and administrative action that is liable to be taken against my ward in case he/she is found guilty or abetting ragging, actively or passively, or being part of a conspiracy to promote ragging.
- 4) I hereby solemnly aver and undertake that
 - a) My ward will not indulge in any behavior or act that may be constituted as ragging under clause 3 of the Regulations.
 - b) My ward will not participate in or abet or propagate through any act of commission or omission that may be constituted as ragging under clause 3 of the Regulations.
- 5) I hereby affirm that, if found guilty of ragging, my word is liable for punishment according to clause 9.1 of the Regulations, without prejudice to any other criminal action that may be taken against my ward under any penal law or any law for the time being in force.
- 6) I hereby declare that my word has not been expelled or debarred from admission in any institution in the country on account of being found guilty of, abetting or being part of a conspiracy to promote, ragging; and further affirm that, in case the declaration is found to be untrue, I am aware that my admission my word is liable to be cancelled.

Declared this _____ day of _____ month of _____ year_____

Signature of Deponent

Name:

Address:

Telephone/Mobile No:

VERIFICATION

Verified that the contents of this affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge and no part of the affidavit is false and nothing has been concealed or misstated therein.

Verified at _____ (place) on this the _____ (day) of _____ (month) and _____ (year)

Signature of deponent

Solemnly affirmed and signed in my presence on this the (day) of month, (year)
after reading the contents of this affidavit.

OATH COMMISSIONER



INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & MEDIA, KOLKATA

I, son / daughter / ward of Dr./Mr./Ms.

..... Reg.No.

Program: Dept.: student of International School of Business & Media, Kolkata hereby give an undertaking for the following during my stay at the Institute.

I shall abide by the admissible rules and regulations of ISB&M, Kolkata and follow the code of conduct for students. I acknowledge that the Institute has the authority of taking disciplinary action on me for non-compliance of the same.

That I understand the meaning of Ragging and know that the ragging in any form is a punishable offence and the same is banned by the Court of Law. I understand that, in case I am involved in ragging, the case will be reported to the police and the law will take its own course and I will be summarily expelled from the Institute.

That I have not been found or charged for my involvement in any kind of ragging in the past. However, I undertake to face disciplinary action/legal proceedings including expulsion from the Institute if the above statement is found to be untrue or the facts are concealed, at any stage in future.

That I shall not resort to ragging in any form at any place and shall abide by the rules/laws prescribed by the Courts, Government of India and the Institute authorities for the purpose from time to time.

In the event of my involvement in any activity outside the campus which is punishable by the law of the land, the Institute shall in no way provide any support to me and will not be responsible either for my action.

I also declare that I am not suffering from any serious/contagious ailment including psychology related symptoms.

That I have read and understood the directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on anti-ragging (available at ugc and aicte websites). I have submitted the required affidavit and undertaking forms duly signed by my parents and also myself.

Signature of Student

I hereby fully endorse the undertaking made by my child/ward.

Signature of Father/Mother and or Guardian