VIVEK COLLEGE OF EDUCATION BIJNOR

ANTI - RAGGING CELL

Ragging is a social evil and inhuman practice, which has disturbed the lives of many students and have forced some, even to end their lives, so awareness about the evil of ragging its adverse effects on them and what are the different measures and remedies, available to them, to protect themselves, from being a victim, of such offences. and its evil consequences among the new as well as old students is very essential in every educational institution.

Ragging in any form, is punishable by law and so we should be cautious enough, not to indulge in it, otherwise it might ruin our education, careers and even our entire lives. UGC has issued strict guidelines to prevent ragging in educational institutions.

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor is quite active and strict to the issue of ragging and shows zero tolerance attitude towards ragging among students to make the campus environment healthy and ragging free. And for this purpose, it has formed well co- ordinated and effective **Anti-Ragging Cell**.

Ragging is totally prohibited in the institution, and anyone found guilty of ragging and/or abetting ragging, whether actively or passively, or being a part of a conspiracy to promote ragging, is liable to be punished in accordance with these Regulations as well as under the provisions of any penal law for the time being in force.

Aims and Objectives

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor aims to eliminate ragging in all its forms by prohibiting in accordance with UGC Regulations, preventing its occurrence and punishing those who indulge in ragging as provided for in UGC Regulations and the appropriate law in force.

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor prohibits 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, or indulging in rowdy or undisciplined activities by any student or students which causes or is likely to cause annoyance, hardship or psychological harm or to raise fear or apprehension thereof in any fresher or any other student or 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, 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; and thereby, to eliminate ragging in all its forms.

Definition of 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, 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.
- 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.

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Anti - Ragging Cell Composition

Anti Ragging <u>Commi</u>ttee • 1. Dr. Deepti Dimri

• 2. Mr. Servesh Kumar Sheetal

• 3. Dr. Pushpa Joshi

• 4. Mr. Anuj Sharma

• 5. Mr. Nawaz (M.S.W)

• 6. Ms. Sonakshi Goel (M. Sc)

• 7. Mr. Adityaveer Singh (BCA)

• 8. Mr. Akash Mittal (B.Com)

• 9. Mr. Vikas Kumar

• 10. Mr. L K Joshi

• 11. Dr. Rajeev Chaudhary

(Chairperson)

(Member)

(Member)

(Member)

(Member - PG Student)

(Member - PG Student)

(Member - UG Student)

(Member - UG Student)

(Member - Parent)

(Member - Parent)

(Co-ordinator)

Anti Ragging Squad • 1. Dr. Rajeev Chaudhary

• 2. Dr. Sanjay Tyagi

• 3. Mr. Harjeet Singh

• 4. Dr. Pushpa Joshi

• 5. Mr. Saurabh Chaudhary

(Convener)

(Member)

(Member)

(Member

(Member)

(Non Teaching Member)

Anti Ragging Monitoring Cell

• 1. Dr. Deepti Dimri

• 2. Dr. Rajeev Chaudhary

• 3. Dr. Pushpa Joshi

• 4. Ms. Kajal

(Chairperson)

(Co-ordinator)

(Member)

(Member - PG Student)

Anti - Ragging Committee

The Anti-Ragging Committee of Vivek College of Education, Bijnor ensures strict compliance with the provisions of UGC Regulations as well as the provisions of any law for the time being in force concerning ragging; and also monitors and supervises the performance of the Anti-Ragging Squad in prevention of ragging in the institution.

Anti - Ragging Squad

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor also constituted a smaller body to be known as the Anti- Ragging Squad as nominated by the Head of the Institution for maintaining vigil, oversight and patrolling functions and it always remains mobile, alert and active at all times.

The Anti-Ragging Squad of Vivek College of Education, Bijnor makes surprise raids on different areas of campus, and other places vulnerable to incidents of, and having the potential of, ragging and is empowered to inspect such places.

The Anti-Ragging Squad also conducts an on-the-spot enquiry into any incident of ragging referred to it by the Head of the institution or any member of the faculty or any member of the staff or any student or any parent or guardian or by any other person, as the case may be; and submits the enquiry report along with recommendations to the Anti-Ragging Committee for action under clause (a) of Regulation 9.1.

The Anti-Ragging Squad conducts such enquiry observing a fair and transparent procedure and the principles of natural justice and after giving adequate opportunity to the student or students accused of ragging and other witnesses to place before it the facts, documents and views concerning the incident of ragging, and considering such other relevant information as may be required.

Anti - Ragging Monitoring Cell

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor also constituted a body to be known as Monitoring Cell on Ragging, which coordinates with the different members to achieve the objectives of the UGC Regulations and also reviews the efforts made by members to publicize anti-ragging measures, soliciting of affidavits from parents/guardians and from students, each academic year, to abstain from ragging activities or willingness to be penalized for violations; and functions as the prime mover for initiating action on the part of the appropriate authorities of the Vivek College of Education, Bijnor to facilitate the implementation of anti-ragging measures at the level of the institution.

Functions of Anti - Ragging Cell

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor makes the community at large and the students in particular aware of the dehumanizing effect of ragging, and the approach of the institution towards those indulging in ragging, prominently by display of posters depicting the provisions of penal law applicable to incidents of ragging, and the provisions of these Regulations and also any other law for the time being in force, and the punishments thereof, on Notice Boards, Canteen and other buildings as well as at places, where students normally gather and at places, known to be vulnerable to occurrences of ragging incidents.

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor also utilizes social media platform to give adequate publicity to the law prohibiting ragging and the negative aspects of ragging and the institution's resolve to ban ragging and punish those found guilty without fear or favour.

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor also try to identify, properly illuminate and keep a close watch on all locations known to be vulnerable to occurrences of ragging incidents.

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor tightens security in its premises, especially at vulnerable places and intense policing by Anti-Ragging Squad, referred to in the UGC Regulations and volunteers, if any, shall be resorted to at such points at odd hours during the first few months of the academic session.

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor also utilizes the vacation period before the start of the new academic year to launch a publicity campaign against ragging through posters, leaflets and such other means, as desirable or required, to promote the objectives of these Regulations.

The Vivek College of Education, Bijnor on admission or enrolment or registration of students, take the following steps, namely;

- a) Every fresh student admitted to the institution shall be given a printed leaflet detailing to whom he/she has to turn to for help and guidance for various purposes including addresses and telephone numbers, so as to enable the student to contact the concerned person at any time, if and when required, of the Anti-Ragging Helpline referred to in these Regulations, Wardens, Head of the institution, all members of the anti-ragging squads and committees, relevant district and police authorities.
- b) It also obtains the affidavit from every student as referred in clause (m) of Regulation 6.2 and maintains a proper record of the same and to ensure its safe upkeep thereof, including maintaining the copies of the affidavit in an electronic form, to be accessed easily when required either by the Commission or any of the Councils or by the institution or by the affiliating University or by any other person or organization authorized to do so.

The institution undertakes measures for extensive publicity against ragging by means of audio-visual aids, counseling sessions, workshops, painting and design competitions among students and such other measures, as required.

It also conducts discreet random surveys amongst the freshers every fortnight during the first three months of the academic year to verify and crosscheck whether the institution is indeed free of ragging or not and for the purpose the institution designs its own methodology of conducting such surveys.

The telephone numbers of the Anti-Ragging Helpline and all the important functionaries in the institution, Heads of institutions, faculty members, members of the anti-ragging committees and anti-ragging squads, district and sub-divisional authorities and state authorities, and other functionaries or authorities where relevant, are widely disseminated for access or to seek help in emergencies.

Powers of Anti - Ragging Committee

ADIMINISTRATIVE ACTION IN THE EVENT OF RAGGING:

The institution shall punish a student found guilty of ragging after following the procedure and in the manner prescribed here in under:

- ➤ The Anti-Ragging Committee of the institution shall take an appropriate decision, in regard to punishment or otherwise, depending on the facts of each incident of ragging and nature and gravity of the incident of ragging established in the recommendations of the Anti-Ragging Squad.
- ➤ The Anti-Ragging Committee may, depending on the nature and gravity of the guilt established by the Anti-Ragging Squad, award, to those found guilty, one or more of the following punishments, namely;
- a) Suspension from attending classes and academic privileges.
- b) Withholding/ withdrawing scholarship/ fellowship and other benefits.
- c) Debarring from appearing in any test/ exam or other evaluation process.
- d) Withholding results.
- e) Debarring from representing the institution in any regional, national or international meet, tournament, youth festival, etc.
- f) Suspension/ expulsion from the hostel.

- g) Cancellation of admission.
- h) Rustication from the institution for period ranging from one to four semesters.
- i) Expulsion from the institution and consequent debarring from admission to any other institution for a specified period.
- ➤ Provided that where the persons committing or abetting the act of ragging are not identified, the institution shall resort to collective punishment.
- An appeal against the order of punishment by the Anti-Ragging Committee shall lie, in case of an order of an institution, affiliated to or constituent part, of a University, to the Vice-Chancellor of the University;
- Where in the opinion of the appointing authority, a lapse is attributable to any member of the faulty or staff of the institution, in the matter of reporting or taking prompt action to prevent an incident of ragging or who display an apathetic or insensitive attitude towards complaints of ragging, or who fail to take timely steps, whether required under these Regulations or otherwise, to prevent an incident or incidents of ragging, then such authority shall initiate departmental disciplinary action, in accordance with the prescribed procedure of the institution, against such member of the faulty or staff.
- ➤ Provided that where such lapse is attributable to the Head of the institution, the authority designated to appoint such Head shall take such departmental disciplinary action; and such action shall be without prejudice to any action that may be taken under the penal laws for abetment of ragging for failure to take timely steps in the prevention of ragging or punishing any student found guilty of ragging.

Reporting Channels

Important Helpline

1. Dr. Deepti Deemri (Chairperson) 9411845777

2. Dr. Rajeev Chaudhary (Coordinator) 7055604042

3. Office 8057100200

4. On Line vivekcollege@gmail.com

5. U.G.C. Toll Free No.: 18001805522

E-mail: helpline@antiragging.in

Website: - <u>www.antiragging.in</u>

6. M.J.P.R.U. 0581-2521041

E-mail: antiragginghelpline@mjpru.ac.in

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Mechanism

Receive Complaint From Various Channels

Maintain The Record

Investigation

Action

Close out