

## भारतीय सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान, इलाहाबाद

## INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, ALLAHABAD

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#### OFFICE ORDER

Sub: Prohibition and Ban of Ragging & formation of Institute level anti-ragging committee and Squads -

Ref: Directives of the Supreme Court of India, dated May 16, 2007 in SLP No (s) 24295 of 2006 University of Kerala Vs Council, Principals', Colleges, Kerala & Ors (with SLP(C) No. 24296-99/2004 & W.P. (Crl) No. 173/2006 and SLP(C) No. 14356/2005).

The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India admitted and heard the above referred SLPs in relation to the menace of ragging in Technical Institutions/ Universities/ Colleges in the Country.

In this connection, a committee headed by Dr. R.K. Raghavan, former Director of CBI, for giving specific recommendations on effective prevention of ragging in educational institutions was constituted by the apex court.

The Committee had carried out a very detailed study on the various factors contributing to ragging and collected the public opinion. Further, the committee had submitted a detailed report with suitable recommendations and measures required to effectively curb the menace. The recommendations of the Committee were duly accepted and the following directives have been issued to all the educational institutes for necessary implementation by the Hon'ble Court.

#### I. Potential enlisted by the committee for effective change in situation:

- Primary responsibility for curbing ragging rests with academic institutions themselves.
- Ragging adversely impacts the standards of higher education.
- 3. Incentives should be available to institutions for curbing the menace and there should be disincentives for failure to do so.
- Enrolment in academic pursuits or a campus life should not immunize any adult citizen from penal provisions of the laws of the land.
- Ragging needs to be perceived as our failure to inculcate human values from the schooling stage.
- 6. Behavioral patterns among students, particularly potential 'raggers', need to be identified.
- Measures against ragging must deter its recurrence. 7.
- 8. Concerted action is required at the level of the school, higher educational institution, district administration, university, State and Central Governments to make any curb
- 9. Media and the Civil Society should be involved in this exercise.

#### II. Functions/Responsibilities of the Committee/Squads

#### II (A). Forms of Ragging (As per UGC Committee Report)

Ragging is found to take the following forms (The list is only indicative and not exhaustive)

#### Crisp Orders:

- > To address seniors as 'Sir',
- > To perform mass drills,
- > To copy class notes for the seniors,
- > To serve various errands,
- > To do mental job for the seniors,
- > To ask/answer vulgar questions,
- > To look at pornographic pictures to 'shock the fresher out of their innocence',
- > To force to drink alcohol, scalding tea etc.,
- > To force to act with sexual overtones, including homosexual acts,
- > To force to do acts which can lead to physical injury/mental torture or death,
- > To strip, kiss etc.,
- > To do other obscenities,
- > It can be seen from the above the most of them, except the first few, constitute perverse form of ragging.

#### II (B) Ragging as defined under Section2 (29) of Karnataka Education Act 1983 (Karnataka Act No. 1 of 1995)

The Karnataka Education Act, 1983 (Karnataka Act. No. 1 of 1995) Section 2 (29) defines ragging as:

"causing, inducting, compelling or forcing a student, whether by way of a practical joke or otherwise, to do any act which detracts from human dignity or violates his person or exposes him to ridicule or forbear from doing any lawful act, by intimidating, wrongfully restraining, wrongfully confining, or injuring him or by using criminal force to him or by holding out to him any threat of such intimidation, wrongful restraint, wrongful confinement, injury or the use of criminal force."

#### III. Directions approved by the Supreme Court.

- 1) The punishment to be meted out has to be exemplary and justifiably harsh to act as a deterrent against recurrence of such incidents.
- 2) Every single incident of ragging where the victim or his parent/guardian or the Head of institution is not satisfied with the institutional arrangement for action, a First Information Report must be filed without exception by the institutional authorities with the local police authorities.
- 3) In the prospectus to be issued for admission by educational institutions, it shall be clearly stipulated that in case the applicant for admission is found to have indulged in ragging in the past or if it is noticed later that he has indulged in ragging, admission may be refused or he shall be expelled from the educational institution.
- 4) Anti-ragging committees and squads shall be forthwith formed by the institutions.

#### IV: Action Taken by the Institute

#### 1. Formation of Committees / Squads by the Institute:

Complying with the directive of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the Institute has formed the following Anti-ragging committees and squads for overseeing the

implementation of the provisions of the verdict with immediate effect:

Institute level Anti-ragging Committee: (1)

> Dean, Students' Affairs Chairman > Head of the Division Member Warden/Counsellor of the concerned Hostel -Member

Registrar/Dy. Registrar/Asstt. Registrar

of the Institute Member > Legal Counsel Member > Nominated person Member

(2)Institute level Anti-ragging Squads:

> Dean, Students' Affairs Chairman > Assistant Proctor (two by rotation) Member > Security Officer Member > One M.Tech / Ph.D. Student nominated -Member Assistant Registrar (rotation) Member Warden (nominated) Member

- Hostel Level Anti-ragging Squads: (3)
  - > Warden of the Hostel
  - > Two Prefects
  - > One representative of Freshers
- 2: Duties/Responsibilities of Institute Level/Hostel Level Ragging Committees/Squads
- 2 (1): It shall be the collective responsibility of the authorities and functionaries of the concerned institution and their role shall also be open to scrutiny for the purpose of finding out whether they have taken effective steps for preventing ragging.
- 2 (2): It shall be the job of the Institute Level Committee to see that the recommendations of the Institute/Hostel Level Committees are implemented without exception and if it is noticed that there is any deviation, the same shall be forthwith brought to the notice of Director.
- 2 (3): The Committee constituted as above shall continue to monitor the functioning of the anti-ragging squads to be formed. They shall also monitor the implementation of the recommendations to which reference has been made above.
- 2 (4): The Institute level Anti-ragging Squads and Hostel level Anti-ragging Squads shall work in coordination with the Institute level Anti-ragging Committee and oversee the implementation of the recommendations.
- Undertaking from Students and Parents 3:

All students of the Institute and their parents and, or Guardians are hereby required to submit a combined undertaking at the time of registration, in the prescribed format as attached to this order, which is mandatory for registration.

All concerned officials of the Institute, students, parents & guardians of the students, members of Anti-ragging committees & Anti-ragging squads are hereby requested to adhere to the stipulations and effectively monitor and comply with the provisions made in the directives.

> (Dr. M.D. Tiwari) Director

#### Copy to:

- > ES to Hon'ble Director
- All Deans/Dy. Registrar

- All Teachers/ Employees
   All Students
   All members of Anti-ragging committees & squads
   All Notice Boards & E-Circular
- > Website of the Institute



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### Undertaking from the Students and Parents as per the provisions of antiragging verdict by the Hon'ble Supreme Court and rules/orders of the Institute

I	I, Mr. /Ms
1)	. I have understood that indulging in any form of ragging is a cognizable offence and it will result in police action and / or would also result in cancellation /expulsion of my studentship to the course(s) and I will have no claim whatsoever in that regard against the Institute.
2)	That I have read and understood the directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India or anti-ragging and the measures proposed to be taken in the above references. (Available at http://www.iiita.ac.in/)
3)	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 Institute and Court of Law.
4)	That I declare that have not been found or charged for my involvement in any kind of ragging in the past.
5)	That I shall not resort to ragging in any form at any place and shall abide by the rules/laws prescribed by the Courts, Govt. of India and the Institute authorities for the purpose as a present and as revised from time to time.
6)	That, 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 or if I am found to have indulged in ragging

Signature of Student

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

Signature of Mother / Father and or Guardian