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Respected Madam/Sir,

In pursuance to the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 08.05.2009 in Civil Appeal No. 887/2009, the UGC had notified "Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009". The Regulations are available on the UGC website i.e. www.ugc.ac.in. These regulations are mandatory for all higher educational institutions in the country.

As multiple mechanisms are required to ensure a ragging-free campus, here are some recommendations and action steps which are required to be deployed in your esteemed university and all institutions under your ambit.

A. Basic Measures:

- 1. Constitution of anti-ragging committee, anti-ragging squad, setting up of Anti-Ragging Cell and adequate publicity for these measures through various media are to be undertaken.
- 2. Mention of anti-ragging warning in the institution's prospectus and information booklets /brochures shall be ensured.
- 3. To create E-admission booklet or brochure, E-leaflets giving details on guidance in case of ragging to admitted students instead of print/hard copy of your institutions.
- 4. Updating websites of institutions with the complete address and contact details of nodal officers related to anti-ragging committee.
- 5. In compliance with the UGC Regulations and its 2nd Amendment regarding submission of undertaking by each student and every parent, an online undertaking in every academic year to be submitted.
- 6. UGC has notified 3rd Amendment in UGC Regulations on 29th June, 2016 to expand the definition of ragging by including the following:
 - "3. (i) 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."
- 7. Installing CCTV cameras at vital points.

B.Counseling and monitoring measures

- 1. Regular interaction and counseling with the students can detect early signs of ragging and identification of trouble-triggers.
- 2. Surprise inspection at hostels, students accommodation, canteens, rest-cum-recreation rooms, toilets, bus-stands and any other measure which would augur well in preventing/quelling ragging and any uncalled for behaviour/incident shall be undertaken.

C. Creative Dissemination of the idea of ragging-free campus

- 1. Events like Anti-Ragging workshops, seminars and other creative avenues to spread the idea.
- 2. Safety and security apps without affecting the privacy of individuals can be creatively deployed.



CONTINUATION SHEET

D. Using other UGC initiated measures

- 1. Students in distress due to ragging related incidents can call the National Anti-Ragging Helpline **1800-180-5522 (24x7 Toll Free)** or e-mail the Anti-Ragging Helpline at helpline@antiragging.in.
- 2. For any other information regarding ragging, please visit the UGC website i.e. www.ugc.ac.in & www.ugc.ac.in & www.ugc.ac.in &
- 3. UGC also drives an Anti-Ragging Media Campaign through different modes and UGC has got developed the following entities to promote anti-ragging which are available on UGC website i.e. www.ugc.ac.in.
 - a. UGC has developed 05 TVCs of 30 seconds each from different perspective i.e. Parents, Victim and Offenders.
 - b. UGC has designed and distributed posters amongst Universities/Regulatory Authorities/Councils/IITs/NITs/Other educational institutions for the prominent display. (Copy attached).
 - c. UGC has consecutively organized 02 Anti-Ragging Competitions for students/faculty /general public for the wider awareness of the menace of ragging.

You are requested to adopt these steps and to implement the recommendations of the committee on "Psychosocial Study of Ragging in Selected Educational Institutions in India" (available on UGC website).

You are also requested to implement the revised procedure for students to file online Anti-Ragging affidavit. The student will receive an e-mail with his/her registration number. The student will forward that e-mail to the Nodal officer in his/her university/college e-mail. (Please note that the student will not receive pdf affidavits and he/she is not required to print & sign it as it used to be in the earlier case).

Universities/Colleges have to display the email address and contact number of the Nodal Officer of Anti-Ragging Committee of their university/college on their website and campus areas like Admission Centre, Departments, Library, Canteen, Hostel, and Common facilities, etc.

Universities and Colleges are requested to insert a mandatory column in their university/colleges admission form as per the given format:

Anti Ragging Undertaking Reference no:	
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Universities are also requested to fill online compliance on www.antiragging.in and also immediately instruct all the colleges under their purview to follow it.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Manish Joshi)

The Vice-Chancellor of all Universities

The Principal of all Colleges

Encl: As above

Copy to:-

- 1. All Regulatory Authorities (As per list attached)
- 2. UGC, Regional Offices (As per list attached)
- 3. Ms. Jasleen Kaur, Under Secretary, Ministry of Education, (jasleen.kaur@nic.in).
- 4. DS(website), UGC (for uploading on (i) UGC website, (ii) Under ragging related circulars and (iii) Twitter handle of UGC).

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