

RULES & REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTION AND PROHIBITION OF RAGGING

The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide its Order dated 16.5.2007 has ordered strict implementation of following rules & regulations for Prevention and prohibition of Ragging in technical Institutions.

Various Types of Ragging

The Hon'ble Supreme Court has, inter-alia, mentioned the following types of ragging:

1. Ragging has several aspects with, among others, psychological, social, political, economic, cultural, and academic dimensions.
2. Any act that prevents, disrupts or disturbs the regular academic activity of a student should be considered within the academics related aspect of ragging; similarly, exploiting the services of a junior student for completing the academic tasks assigned to an individual or a group of seniors is also an aspect of academics related ragging prevalent in many institutions, particularly in the technical institutions.
3. Any act of financial extortion or forceful expenditure burden put on a junior student by senior students should be considered an aspect of ragging for ragging economic dimensions.
4. Any act of physical abuse including all variants of it: sexual abuse, homosexual assaults, stripping, forcing obscene and lewd acts, gestured, causing bodily harm or any other danger to health or person can be put in the category of ragging with criminal dimensions.

Any act or abuse by spoken words, emails, snail-mails, blogs, public insults should be considered within the psychological aspects of ragging. This aspect would also include deriving perverted pleasure, vicarious or sadistic thrill from actively or passively participating in the discomfiture to others; the absence of preparing 'freshers' in the run up to their admission to higher education and life in hostels also can be ascribed as a psychological aspect of ragging – coping skills in interaction with seniors or strangers can be imparted by parents as well. Any act that affects the mental health and self-confidence of students also can be described in terms of the psychological aspects of ragging. The human rights perspective of ragging involves the injury caused to the fundamental right to human dignity through humiliation heaped on junior students by seniors; often resulting in the extreme step of suicide by the victims.

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Actions to be taken against students for indulging and abetting in Ragging in technical institutions Universities including Deemed to be University imparting technical education:

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. The students who are found to be indulged in ragging should be debarred from taking admission in any technical institution in India.
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. Depending upon the nature and gravity of the offence as established by the Anti-Ragging Committee of the institution, 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
 - (x) Fine of Rs. 25,000/-
 - (xi) 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 raggars
4. The institutional authority shall intimate the incidents of ragging occurred in their premises along with actions taken to the Council immediately after occurrence of such incident and inform the status of the case from time to time.
5. Courts should make an effort to ensure that cases involving ragging are taken up on priority basis to send the correct message that ragging is not only to be discouraged but also to be dealt with sternness.

**AFFIDAVIT BY
THE STUDENT**

I, _____ s/o/ d/o _____
Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____ having been admitted to Vedatya Institute, Gurgaon, have received a copy of the 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 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.

I hereby solemnly aver and undertake that:

- a) I will not indulge in any behavior or act that may be constituted as ragging as defined in the Regulations
- b) I will not participate in or abet or propagate through any act of commission or omission that may be constituted ragging as defined in the Regulations
- c) I hereby affirm that, if found guilty of ragging, I am liable for punishment according to clause _____ 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
- d) 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: _____

**AFFIDAVIT BY
PARENT/GUARDIAN**

I, _____ parent /guardian/father/ mother of _____
_____ having been admitted to Vedatya Institute, Gurgaon,
have received a copy of the 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.

I have, in particular, perused the Regulations and am aware as to what constitutes ragging
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.

I hereby solemnly aver and undertake that:

- a) My ward will not indulge in any behavior or act that may be constituted as ragging as
defined in 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 defined in the Regulations
- c) I hereby affirm that, if found guilty of ragging, my word is liable for punishment
according to clause 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
- d) 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: _____