# Aniket Shikshan Sanstha's Aniket College of Social Work

Affiliated to Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University.

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# **Anti Ragging College Brochure**

# <u>Aim</u>

To root out ragging in all its forms from the University by institution stringent .anti-ragging measures and provisions for strict punishments to defaulters.

- 2. Terms of Reference
- (a) Supreme Court Orders
- (b) UP Govt orders dated 26 March 2009
- (c) UGC Draft Regulations and Guidelines 3.

What constitutes Ragging

- (a) Any disorderly conduct whether by words spoken or written or by an act which has the effect of teasing, treating or handling with rudeness any other student.
- (b) Indulging in rowdy or undisciplined activities which causes or is likely to cause annoyance, hardship or psychological or physical harm or to raise fear or apprehension thereof in a fresher or a junior student.
- (c) Asking the students to do any act or perform something which such student will not in the ordinary course and which has the effect of causing or generating a sense of shame or embarrassment so as to adversely affect the physique or psyche of a fresher or a junior student.
- (d) Teasing, embarrassing, humiliating, assaulting or using criminal force or criminal intimidation, wrongful restraining or confining or causing grievous hurt, kidnapping, extortion or molesting or committing unnatural offences or causing death or abetting suicide, use of criminal force, criminal trespass and intimidation.

# **Causes for the increase in the incidence of ragging**

Lack of morality, erosion of values and discipline.

External pressure of power that hinder enforcement and action against students with powerful connection.

Lack of authorities on the part of teachers.

The powers and moral authority of the Wardens and other functionaries have eroded over the years, as many of them may not be committed to their work, but take up such responsibilities for the sake of perks attached to those offices.

Lack of interest and involvement in such matters among majority of faculty members.

Fear among students subjected to ragging that the Head of the Departments and others may be pressurized later on for withdrawal of complaints or for revocation of the orders of punishment.

Fear that they and/or their family members may be harassed and victimized by the perpetrators of this menace.

Indulgence of parents with too much money to students leading to incidence of drinking, drug abuse etc.

Easy access to Alcohol and other psychoactive substances in the campus.

Hushing up or downplaying of the reported cases by the authorities.

- 4. Prohibition of Ragging
- (a) Ragging within the University Campus including its Institutions / Departments and Hostels is strictly prohibited.
- (b) Ragging in any form is prohibited also in the private lodges/buildings where these University students are staying.
- (c) No person including students / staff / faculty shall participate or abet or propagate ragging in any form.

No person shall practise ragging in any form, within or outside the premises of the college.

Any person who contravenes the provision listed above shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to 3 years or with fine which may extend to fifty thousand rupees or with both.



#### **Roles and Responsibilities**

Every person who is the Officer- in - Charge of the college or who is in the service or pay of or remunerated by the college to do any work assigned to him/ her in connection with the maintenance of discipline therein, shall be bound to take immediate action on the occurrence of any incidence of ragging and to report it to the anti ragging squad, the principal or the "Officer-in-Charge" defined at para 3.2 above. The report will also include the identity of those who have engaged in ragging and the nature of the incidence.

This will include teaching as well as non teaching staff. Non Teaching staff has to be incorporated in Anti Ragging Squad of the college.

Anti ragging complaints, in whatever form or from whatever source these may emanates, shall be dealt with immediately and appropriately. The action will also be conveyed to the appropriate authorities. The identity of the complainant will be kept confidential.

In all cases a First Information Report (FIR) will be filed without exception by the college authorities with the local Police authority.

Any decision of the parent/guardian to file their own FIR directly will not absolve the college authorities from filing their own FIR.

Any person who contravenes the above provisions shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or a fine which may extend to ten thousand rupees, or with both.

Whenever any student or, as the case may be, the parents or guardian or a teacher, the non teaching staff or an Officer-in-Charge makes a complaint, in writing, of ragging to the principal, the principal shall, without prejudice to the foregoing provisions, within 24 hours of the receipt of the complaint, enquire into it and, if, prima facie, it is found true, suspend the student found guilty.

Where, on enquiry by the principal, it is proved that prima facie there is no substance in the complaint of ragging; he shall intimate the fact, in writing, to the complainant.



#### Formation of committees

To assist authorities in curbing the menace of ragging, various committees have been formed in the college. These committees and associations will support the college authorities in deciding all matters relating to ragging.



### **Anti Ragging Committee**

There will be an Anti Ragging Committee with members from various segments of the society.

#### **Punishments**

Ragging is a cognizable offence under the law and the punishments to be meted out have to be exemplary and justifiably harsh to act as a deterrent. It may include:-

- (a) Cancellation of admission, suspension, rustication or expulsion from the University
- (b) FIR with the police and arrest.
- (c) More severe punishment where justified such as fine / imprisonment etc.
- (d) Collective punishment may be imposed where involved persons are not identified.