

MALABAR CANCER CENTRE COLLEGE

Anti-Ragging Committee

Background:

In view of the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of "University of Kerala v/s. Council, Principals, Colleges and others" in SLP no. 24295 of 2006 dated 16.05.2007 and that dated 8.05.2009 in Civil Appeal number 887 of 2009, and in consideration of the determination of the Central Government and the University Grants Commission to prohibit, prevent and eliminate the scourge of ragging including 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 indisciplined 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, in all higher education institutions in the country, and thereby, to provide for the healthy development, physically and psychologically, of all students, the University Grants Commission, in consultation with the Councils, brings forth this Regulation.

Objectives

To prohibit any form of ragging at Malabar Cancer Centre College including in its departments, posting units, all its premises (academic, residential, sports, canteen and the like) whether located within the campus or outside and in all means of transportation of students whether public or private.

Ragging

Ragging is a criminal offence as per the Supreme Court verdict. Ragging is an offence under penal code , which define ragging as: "Causing, inducing, compelling or forcing a student, whether by way of practical joke or otherwise, to do any act which detracts from human dignity or violates his/her person or exposes him/her to ridicule from doing any lawful act. By intimidating, wrongfully restraining, wrongfully confining, or injuring him or by using criminal force on him/her or by holding out to him/her any threat of intimidation, wrongful confinement, injury or the use of criminal force." "Ragging in all its forms is totally banned at Malabar Cancer Centre College.

Measures for prevention of ragging at the institution level.-

Every institution shall constitute the following bodies; namely,

1. Every institution shall constitute a Committee to be known as the Anti-Ragging Committee to be nominated and headed by the Head of the institution, and consisting of representatives of civil and police administration, local media, Non-Government Organizations involved in youth activities, representatives of faculty members, representatives of parents, representatives of students belonging to the freshers' category as well as senior students, non-teaching staff; and shall have a diverse mix of membership in terms of levels as well as gender.
2. It shall be the duty of the Anti-Ragging Committee to ensure compliance with the provisions of these Regulations as well as the provisions of any law for the time being in force concerning ragging; and also to monitor and oversee the performance of the Anti-Ragging Squad in prevention of ragging in the institution.
3. Every institution shall also constitute a smaller body to be known as the Anti-Ragging Squad to be nominated by the Head of the Institution with such representation as may be considered necessary for maintaining vigil, oversight and patrolling functions and shall remain mobile, alert and active at all times. Provided that the Anti-Ragging Squad shall have representation of various members of the campus community and shall have no outside representation.
4. It shall be the duty of the Anti-Ragging Squad to be called upon to make surprise raids on hostels, and other places vulnerable to incidents of, and having the potential of, ragging and shall be empowered to inspect such places.
5. It shall also be the duty of the Anti-Ragging Squad to conduct 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 any employee of a service provider or by any other person, as the case may be; and the enquiry report along with recommendations shall be submitted to the Anti-Ragging Committee for action Provided that the Anti-Ragging Squad shall conduct 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.
6. The institution shall set up appropriate committees, including the course-incharge, student advisor, Wardens and some senior students as its members, to actively monitor, promote and regulate healthy interaction between the freshers, junior students and senior students.

7. Every institution shall obtain the affidavit from every student and maintain 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 authorised to do so.

The procedure for handling issues of ragging will be as follows:

1. The information on ragging can be received in the following manner :
 1. Through the notified contact details of the Committee members, and national help-line number on ragging for necessary relief in terms of the provisions of the UGC Regulations.
 2. Through any other member of the Institute.
 3. From any external source.
2. In the event of receipt of information of ragging by any of the officers mentioned at (i) above, he/she will promptly alert/inform the Chairman of the Anti-Ragging Committee of the Institute or any of its members. The activity shall be completed, at the most, within two hour of receipt of this information.
3. The Anti-Ragging Committee of the Institute shall promptly conduct a preliminary on the spot enquiry and collect details of the incident as available prima facie. The preliminary investigation/details of the incident shall be immediately brought to the notice of the Director of the Institute. The activity shall be completed, at the most, within twenty hours of receipt of information.
4. The Anti-Ragging Committee of the Institute shall promptly conduct enquiry into the incident as per provisions laid down in Clause 6.3(e) of the UGC Regulations.
5. The Anti-Ragging Committee of the Institute shall complete the enquiry and submit its report along with recommendations to the Chairman of the Anti-Ragging Committee of the Institute within fifteen days of the incident.
6. Thereafter, the said report and recommendations shall be considered by the Anti- Ragging Committee for deciding the punishment on the erring students in terms of provisions contained at Clause 9.1 of the UGC Regulations.

Punishments against Ragging

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 shall be any one or any combination of the following:

1. Suspension from attending classes and academic privileges
2. Withholding / withdrawing scholarship / fellowship and other benefits

3. Forfeiting Campus Placement opportunities / recommendations
4. Debarring from appearing in any test/examination or other evaluation process
5. Withholding of results
6. Debarring from representing the institution in any regional, national or international meet, tournament, youth festival etc.
7. Suspension/ expulsion from the hostel
8. Cancellation of Admission
9. Rustication from the institution for a period, ranging from 1 to 3 years
10. Expulsion from the institution and consequent debarring from admission to any other institution for a specific period
11. 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 raggers. In addition, in case of every single incident of ragging, a First Information Report (FIR) will be filed with the local police authorities. The possible punishment includes rigorous imprisonment (in compliance with the order of Supreme Court of India)

SCOPE

- The policy is applicable to all courses runs under Malabar Cancer Centre (Medical and Non medical UG, PG, Fellowship).

Anti-Ragging committee:

Name	Designation	Nominated as
Dr.Sangeetha K Nayanar	Principal	chairman
Dr.Geetha M	HOD,Dept of Radiation Oncology	member
Dr.Vinin NV	Associate Professor, Dept of Radiation Oncology	member
Mrs.ShilpaAjaykumar	Lecturer, Division of Radiation Physics	member
Mr.Ratheesan.K	Lecturer &Course coordinator, BSc MRT	convenor
Mr.Jiju T T V	Purchase Officer	member
Mr.Preman.K	PTA President	member
Mr.Satheeshkumar	PTA executive committee member	member
Mr.Achuthan K	NGO representative	member
Mr.AneeshPathiriyad	Media person	member

Ms.Nandana	Junior student	member
Mr.Adarsh	Junior student	member
Ms.Shabana Yasmin	Senior student	member
Mr.Amal K S	Senior student	member
Dr.Satheesan.B	Director,MCC	Patron

Responsibilities of members

Chairman-

1. Presides all the meeting, maintains the decorum of the committee
2. Aware of all the policies and policies related to ragging
3. Actively involves in the decision making
4. Encourages the members of the committee to be actively involved in the discussion.
5. Forwards the meeting minutes to the concerned for verification and implementation.
6. Verifies the ATR and approves the same in the next meeting.

Convener

1. Convenes the meeting as per the proposed schedule.
2. Prepares the agenda well in advance.
3. Maintains the register of meeting. It includes the attendance register, meeting minutes and ATR.

Members

1. Should attend the meeting on time. Any inconvenience shall be reported to the convener well in advance.
 2. Should be actively involved in the discussion.
 3. Should send the agenda for discussion well in advance via e mail.
 4. All the members are responsible to co-operate in maintaining conducive academic atmosphere for students both in college & hostel premises.
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