

INSTITUTE REGULATIONS ON CURBING THE MENACE OF RAGGING : (2015-16)

Ragging is a criminal offence as per the Supreme Court verdict. Ragging in all its forms, within or outside the institution / campus, is totally banned. Ragging is an offence under penal code and Karnataka Education act 1983.

Definition of Student Ragging: Any conduct by a student, whether by words spoken or written or by an act which includes physical abuse, lewd acts, teasing, rough or rude treatment, indulging in rowdy, undisciplined and obscene activities which cause or are likely to cause annoyance, undue hardship, physical or psychological harm or mental trauma or raise apprehension or fear in a fresher / junior student or other students or forcing a student to do any act which such a student is not willing to do and which has the effect of causing or generating a sense of shame or embarrassment or danger to student's life or adversely affect the physique or psyche of a fresher or a junior student.

Punishable Ingredients of Ragging:

- Abetment / instigation to ragging
- Criminal conspiracy to rag
- Unlawful assembly and rioting while ragging
- Public nuisance created during ragging
- Violation of decency and morals through ragging
- ▶ Injury to body, causing hurt / mental trauma or grievous hurt
- ➢ Wrongful restraint
- Wrongful confinement
- Use of criminal force
- Assault as well as sexual offences or unnatural offences
- ➢ Extortion
- Criminal trespass
- Offences against property
- Criminal intimidation
- Attempt to commit any or all of the above mentioned offences against the victim
- Physical or psychological humiliation
- Any act / abuse by spoken words, e-mails, snail mails, blogs, public insults etc.
- > Any act that prevents, disrupts or disturbs the regular academic activity of a student
- > All other offences following from the definition of "Ragging".

Punishments against Ragging:

Whoever directly or indirectly commits, participates in, abets or instigates ragging inside or outside the educational institution shall be punished. 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:

- Suspension from attending classes and academic privileges
- Withholding / withdrawing scholarship / fellowship and other benefits
- Forfeiting Campus Placement opportunities / recommendations
- Debarring from appearing in any test / examination or other evaluation process
- Withholding of results

- Debarring from representing the institution in any regional, national or international meet, tournament, youth festival, etc.
- Suspension/ expulsion from the hostel
- Cancellation of Admission
- Rustication from the institution for a period, ranging from 1 to 4 semesters
- Expulsion from the institution and consequent debarring from admission to any other institution for a specific period
- Fine of Rupees 25,000/-
- 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 <u>First Information Report (FIR) will be filed with the</u> <u>local police authorities</u>. The possible punishment includes <u>rigorous imprisonment (in compliance with the order</u> <u>of Supreme Court of India)</u>.

SMVITM complies with the Anti-ragging regulations related to prevention and prohibition of ragging in technical institutions as prescribed in the Karnataka Govt. circular No. ED98URC98 dated 09.09.1998, UGC notification No. F.1-16/2007(CPP-II) Dated 17th June, 2009 and AICTE notification F.No.37-3/Legal/AICTE/2009 dated 01.07.2009.

Helpline:

In the case of any ragging incidences, the students may immediately call and bring it to their notice for necessary help, guidance and actions.

The Director	- 96111 09850
The Principal	- 2589183/ 94493 30555
Dean (Academic)	- 94805 75730
The Chief Warden	- 99643 04006
Anti Ragging Squad Chairman	- 96204 18750
Boys Hostel Asst. Warden	- 99169 43300
Boys Hostel Care Taker	- 2589186 / 99458 95393
Girls Hostel Warden	- 2589185 / 81053 08285
Student Welfare Officer	- 98449 90322
Security Officer	- 91405 85769

The freshers / junior students are hereby instructed that they should move in groups within the academic areas / campus, should not respond to the calls from seniors, should not participate in any kind of "freshers' party" anywhere inside/outside the campus, desist from doing anything against their will even if ordered by the seniors and that, they have nothing to fear, as the institution cares for them and shall not tolerate any atrocities against them.

Prof. Dr. Thirumaleshwar Bhat Principal, SMVITM Date: 15.07.2015 Place: Bantakal