GOVERNMENT GIRLS' GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE

7, MAYUR BHANJ ROAD, KOLKATA - 700023

ANTI RAGGING CELL



The Legal definition of Ragging

'Ragging' is any act that causes, or is likely to cause any physical, psychological or physiological harm of apprehension or shame or embarrassment to a student. This includes

- **4** Teasing or abusing of playing practical joke on or causing hurt to any student.
- Asking or forcing any student to perform something which he or she in the ordinary course is not willing to perform,

Ragging is quite different from other crimes in the sense that it is performed by certain sections of the society to get perverse pleasure.

Ragging includes the following types of activities and abuses :

- A Physical abuse, for example, forcing to eat, drink or smoke, forcing to dress or undress.
- Verbal abuse, for example swear words and phrases, direct or indirect derogatory references to the person's appearance, attire, religion, caste, family or chosen field of study.
- Chores for seniors e.g. copying notes, cleaning rooms, etc.
- Missing classes. Not being allowed to study.
- Using foul language or shouting or cheering loudly.
- Misbehaving with strangers, particularly women.

Lifestyle restrictions include :

- Not allowing certain kinds of clothing or accessories e.g. jeans, belts etc.
- Enforcing rules regarding shaving or oiling hair. Forcing certain kinds of dress.
- Restricting access to parts of the hostel e.g. common room.
- Requiring certain modes of address i.e. seniors should be called Sir or Ma'am.
- Requiring a particular wake-up time.

Observation and Directives of the Supreme Court

The Supreme Court of India has observed that enrolment in academic pursuits or a campus life should not immunize any adult citizen from the penal provisions of the laws of the land. According to the directions of the Supreme Court if any instance of ragging is brought to the notice of the administration or the faculty, it is legally binding on the institute to report the matter to the Local Police.

In pursuance to the Judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 08/05/2009 in Civil Appeal No. 887/2009, the University Grants Commission has framed "UGC Regulations on curbing the menace of ragging in higher educational institutions, 2009" which have been notified on 4th July, 2009 in the Gazette of India. These regulations are mandatory for all higher educational institutes. The UGC has made it compulsory for all students/parents to submit anti-ragging related affidavits to the institutions at the time of admission.



Anti Ragging Cell formation in the College

In a recent notification Memo No.FD-763/2018 dated 19.07.2018 Education Directorate has instructed the Principals/Vice Principals/OICs/TICs of both Government and Government-Aided college to take measures against Ragging. The Government Girls' General Degree College, Kolkata formed an Anti-ragging Cell headed by Dr. Madhumita Sen, Associate Professor and Head, Dept. of Sociology in 2016. This has been constituted following the existing UGC norms.

At the beginning of every academic session since the inception of the college in 2016, on the day of Orientation Program both the newcomers and the senior students of the College are made aware of the ragging related rules and regulations by the Principal of the college ,the IQAC coordinator and the Convenor of the Anti-ragging Cell. Newly admitted students and their Guardians fill up an Anti-ragging declaration forms at the time of admission which are provided in the College website in stamp paper affidavit. Both the parents and the newly admitted student sign the particular forms of declaration to abide and follow the rules and regulation against the anti-ragging activities. There is no incident of ragging reported in the college till date.

Ant Ragging Form declaration by Student

Available at https://www.govtgirlsekbalpur.com/facilities/ARC_ANNEXURE-1.pdf

Ant Ragging Form declaration by Parent/ Guardian

Available at https://www.govtgirlsekbalpur.com/facilities/ARC_ANNEXURE-2.pdf

Directives to the Seniors by the College Authority :

The college encourage any interaction between freshers and seniors where the seniors are friendly, and welcoming.

- Participation by freshers can only be voluntary in any clubs or committees.
- Seniors are expected to maintain self-imposed discipline and restraint.

Punishments:

Rustication from the institution.

Composition of the Anti Ragging Cell (2022-2023 session) :

1. Dr. Syeda Shariqatul Moula Alquadri, Principal

2. Dr. Debaprasad Bannerjee, IQAC ccordination and Tecahers' Council Secretary

Convenor:

1) Dr. Madhumita Sen, Head, Dept. of Sociology

Members:

1) Dr. Sampa Sen

2)Dr. Angshuman Sarkar,

3) Sri Sovanil Roychowdhury, Head Clerk

4) Mrs. Putul Chattopadhyay, Office Staff Member

5) Kazi Mubaina (Student representative -- Education Department)

6)Shazia Rahman (Student Representative -- B.Com.)

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Anti ragging helpline no. 24x7 Toll Free Number. 1800-180-5522. (*helpline@antiragging.in*).

24X7 toll-free West Bengal Anti-Ragging Helpline — 1800 345 5678

(functional from August 2023)

