

Government of Gujarat,
Education Department,
GR No.PRCH/1309/729/KH,
New Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
Dated 14th July, 2009.

Preamble:-

The Hon'ble Supreme Court in its judgment dated 8th May, 2009 in Civil Petition No. 887 of 2009 in the matter of University of Kerala Vs. Council, Principals, Colleges, Kerala and others has directed various authorities, Committee on ragging, central Government, all the States and Union Territories, regulatory bodies, institutional authorities etc. to implement recommendations of the committee in all the educational institutions of the country.

Resolution:-

The state government is pleased to form the Committees at the Institute Level, University Level, District Level and State Level with reference to the judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 8th May, 2009 for prevention of ragging in the Institution/College. The members of the Committees and the function of the Committees are as follow:-

[A] Institute Level:-

1. Each institute will have an **Anti-ragging Committee** and an anti-ragging squad.
2. An **Anti-ragging Committee at the level of institute/College** shall be formed and shall consist of the following members:-
 1. Head of the Institution/College **Chairman**
 2. Representative of Police Administration
Police Inspector / Police-Sub Inspector **Member**
 3. Local Media **Member**
 4. Non-Government organizations (NGO) **Member**

5. Representative of Parents	Member
6. Representative of students belonging to the fresher's category	Member
7. Representative of senior students	Member
8. Representative of non teaching staff	Member
9. Representative of Civil Administration	Mamlatdar
10. Representative of faculty members	Member Secretary

Functions of the Institute level Anti-Ragging Committee:-

1. To hold Orientation Programmes for students.
2. To hold Joint sensitization programme and counseling of both freshers and senior by a Professional counselor.
3. To hold Joint Orientation Programmes of freshers and seniors to be addressed by the Principal/Head of Institution and the Anti Ragging Committee.
4. Send periodic reports of the action taken report to the District level committee and University.
5. The principal or Head of the Institution shall obtain an undertaking from every employee of the institution including teaching and non-teaching members of staff, contract labour employed in the premises either for running canteen or as watch and ward staff or for cleaning or maintenance of the buildings/lawns etc. that he/she would report promptly any case of ragging which comes to his/her notice. A provision shall be made in the service rules for issuing certificates of appreciation to such member of the staff who report ragging which will form a part their service record;
6. The college canteens and hostel messes are also places where ragging often takes place. The employers/employees of the canteens/mess shall be given necessary instructions to keep strict vigil and to report the incidents of ragging to the college authorities if any;

7. Each batch of freshers should be divided into small groups and each such group shall be assigned to a member of the staff. Such staff member should interact individually with, each member of the group on a daily basis for ascertaining the problems/difficulties if any faced by the fresher in the institution and extending necessary help. By building up rapport with each member of the group teachers or other members of the staff would be able to infuse confidence in the freshers and make them feel at home so as to enable them to report incidents of ragging or bullying. Each group in-charge shall maintain a diary of his/her interaction with the freshers under his/her charge.

8. In the case of freshers admitted of a hostel it shall be the responsibility of the teacher in charge of the group to coordinate with the warden of the hostel and to make surprise visits to the rooms in the hostel where the members of the group lodges.

9. Freshers shall be lodged in a separate hostel block, wherever possible and where such facilities are not available, the college/institution shall ensure that seniors' access to freshers' accommodation is strictly monitored by wardens, security guards and college staff.

10. If any incident of ragging comes to the notice of the authority concerned, the accused student will be given opportunity to explain and if his explanation is not satisfactory the authority would expel him from the institution.

12. Any other appropriate steps for prevention of Ragging.

3. **Anti-ragging squad:-**

- The Anti-ragging squad shall have the following members:-
 1. Hostel rector.
 2. Student's representative Boys (Senior's) of the college.
 3. Student's representative Girls (Senior's) of the college.
 4. Student's representative Boys (Fresher's) of the college.
 5. Student's representative Girls (Fresher's) of the college.

Functions of the Institute level Anti-Ragging squad:-

1. It should be a body with vigil, oversight and patrolling functions and should appropriately be a smaller body which should be nominated by the Head of the institution.
2. In the case of freshers admitted to a hostel it shall be the responsibility of the teacher in charge of the group to coordinate with the warden of the hostel and to make surprise visits to the rooms in the hostel where the members of the group are lodged.
3. Freshers shall be lodged in a separate hostel block, wherever possible and where such facilities are not available, the college/institution shall ensure that seniors' access to freshers' accommodation is strictly monitored by wardens, security guards and college staff.
4. As ragging takes place mostly in the hostels after the classes are over in the college. A round the clock vigil against ragging in the hostel premises shall be provided;

[B] District Level:-

- **District level Anti-ragging Committee** will consist of the following members.

1. District Collector / District Magistrate / Deputy Commissioner	Chairman
2. Heads of institutes.	Member
3. Superintendent of Police.	Member
4. Local Media.	Member
5. Non-Government organizations (NGO) (Who has actively participated in youth programmes).	Member
6. Representative of student organization.	Member
7. Additional District Magistrate	Member Secretary

Functions of the District level Anti-Ragging Committee:-

1. The above Committee will hold preparatory meetings during the summer vacation to take stock of the state of preparedness of each institution.
2. Their compliance with the policies and directions or guidelines of the appropriate bodies, the University/State/Central Authorities;
3. Hon. Supreme Court's guidelines in regard to curbing the menace of ragging.
4. To launch publicity campaigns during summer months.

[C] University Level:-

- There will be a **Monitoring Cell on ragging at the level of University** which shall coordinate with the affiliated colleges and institutions.

- The Cell shall consist of the following members.

1. Vice Chancellor of University	Chairman
2. Registrars of University/ Deputy Registrar of University	Member Secretary
3. Heads of Institutions/ College	Member
4. Heads of Women’s harassment Cell	Member
5. Non-Government organizations (NGO)	Member
6. Media	Member

Functions of the University level Monitoring Cell:-

1. The Cell should call for reports from the Heads of institutes in regard to the activities of the Anti-ragging Committee, Anti-ragging squads, Anti-ragging Monitoring Cells at the level of the Institution, the compliance with instructions on conducting programmes, counseling sessions, the incidents of ragging, the problems faced by wardens or other officials.
2. The Cell shall also review the efforts made by the institutions to publicize anti-ragging measures, soliciting undertaking from parents and students each year to abstain from ragging activities or willingness to be penalized for violations.
3. It will function as the prime mover for initiating action on the part of the appropriate authorities of the University for amending the Statutes or Ordinances or Bye - laws to facilitate the implementation of anti-ragging measures at the institution.

[D] State Level:-

1. There shall be a **Monitoring Cell at the state level**. Chancellor will get a Status report from University Monitoring Cell.
2. The state level Monitoring Cell will consists of the following members.

1. Commissioner of Higher Education	Chairman
2. Additional Commissioner Health Education	Member
3. Additional DGP (Law & Order)	Member

4. Director of Technical Education	Member
5. Joint Director, Colleges	Member Secretary
6. Joint Director, NSS	Member

Functions of the State level Monitoring Cell:-

The cell shall receive periodically and at such frequencies as it may lay down, **status reports** from the University level Monitoring Cells and District level Anti-Ragging Committees and report the same to the state government.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,

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