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CIRCULAR

Read:

- 1. Letter from UGC dated 10-06-2025 with reference no. D.o.No.F.1-15/2009 (ARC) Pt.III.
- 2. UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009 dated 17-06-2009 with reference no. F.1-16/2007(CPP-II)

University has received an e-mail from UGC regarding the compliance/implementation for the Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions. The University is hereby instructing to all the affiliated colleges/institutions to follow/implement the instructions/directions on an urgent basis.

The Instructions/Directions to be followed are mentioned below:

Instructions/Directions from Gujarat Technological University regarding Anti-Ragging to the Affiliated Institutions.

- 1. What constitutes Ragging?- Ragging constitutes one or more of the following acts:
 - a. 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;
 - b. indulging in rowdy or undisciplined activities by any student or students which cause or are likely to cause annoyance, hardship, physical or psychological harm, or to raise fear or apprehension thereof in any fresher or any other student;
 - c. 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, torment, or embarrassment to adversely affect the physique or psyche of such fresher or any other student;
 - d. any act by a senior student that prevents, disrupts, or disturbs the regular academic activity of any other student or a fresher;
 - e. Exploiting the services of a fresher or any other student for completing the academic tasks assigned to an individual or a group of students.
 - f. any act of financial extortion or forceful expenditure burden put on a fresher or any other student by students;



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- g. any act of physical abuse, including all variants of it: sexual abuse, homosexual assaults, stripping, forcing obscene and lewd acts, gestures, causing bodily harm or any other danger to health or person;
- any act or abuse by spoken words, emails, posts, or public insults, which would also include deriving perverted pleasure, vicarious or sadistic thrill from actively or passively participating in the discomfiture of fresher or any other student;
- i. I. Any act that affects the mental health and self-confidence of a fresher or any other student

With or without an intent to derive a sadistic pleasure or show off power, authority, or superiority by a student over any fresher or any other student.

Instructions for Affiliated Colleges:

Before Admission of Students:

- 1. The advertisement for admissions shall clearly mention that ragging is totally banned in the institution, and anyone found guilty of ragging and/or abetting ragging is liable to be punished as per the provisions of the Anti-Ragging Act 2009.
- 2. The brochure of admission/instruction booklet or the prospectus, whether in print or electronic format, shall prominently print these Regulations in full. Provided that the institution shall also draw attention to any law concerning ragging and its consequences, as may be applicable to the institution publishing such a brochure of admission/instruction booklet, or the prospectus.

Provided further that the telephone numbers of the Anti-Ragging Helpline and all the important functionaries in the institution, including but not limited to the Head of the institution, faculty members, members of the Anti-Ragging Committees and Anti-Ragging Squads, District and Sub-Divisional authorities, Wardens of hostels, and other functionaries or authorities where relevant, shall be published in the brochure of admission/instruction booklet or the prospectus.

3. You are requested to implement the revised procedure for students to file an online Anti-Ragging Affidavit. The student will receive an email with his/her



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registration number. The student will forward that email to the Nodal Officer in his/her university/college email.

- The application form for admission, enrolment or registration shall contain an 4. affidavit, mandatorily in English and in Hindi and/or in one of the regional languages known to the parents/guardians of the applicant, as provided in the English language in Annexure I to these Regulations, to be filled up and signed by the parents/guardians of the applicant to the effect that he/she has read and understood the provisions of these Regulations as well as the provisions of any other law for the time being in force, and is aware of the prohibition of ragging and the punishments prescribed, both under penal laws as well as under these Regulations and also affirm to the effect that his/her ward has not been expelled and/or debarred by any institution and further aver that his/her ward would not indulge, actively or passively, in the act or abet the act of ragging and if found guilty of ragging and/or abetting ragging, his/her ward is liable to be proceeded against under these Regulations or under any penal law or any other law for the time being in force and such action would include but is not limited to debarment or expulsion of his/her ward.
- **5.** The institution shall utilise the vacation period before the start of the new academic year to launch a publicity campaign against ragging through posters, leaflets and such other means as may be desirable or required, to promote the objectives of these Regulations.

After Admission of Student:

- 1. Every fresh student admitted to the institution shall be given a printed leaflet detailing to whom he/she has to turn to for help and guidance for various purposes including addresses and telephone numbers, so as to enable the student to contact the concerned person at any time, if and when required, of the Anti-Ragging Helpline referred to in these Regulations, Wardens, Head of the institution, all members of the anti-ragging squads and committees, relevant district and police authorities.
- 2. The institution shall, on the arrival of senior students after the first week or after the second week, as the case may be, schedule orientation programmes as follows, namely; (i) joint sensitization programme and counselling of both freshers and senior students by a professional counsellor, referred to in clause(o) of Regulation 6.1 of these Regulations; (ii) joint orientation programme of freshers and seniors to be addressed by the Head of the institution and the antiragging committee; (iii) organization on a large scale of cultural, sports and other activities to provide a platform for the freshers and seniors to interact in the



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presence of faculty members ; (iv) in the hostel, the warden should address all students; and may request two junior colleagues from the college faculty to assist the warden by becoming resident tutors for a temporary duration.(v) as far as possible faculty members should dine with the hostel residents in their respective hostels to instil a feeling of confidence among the fresher's.

- 3. The institution shall obtain an undertaking from every employee of the institution including all 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 and employees of service providers providing services within the institution, that he/she would report promptly any case of ragging which comes to his/her notice.
- 4. The Heads of institutions affiliated to a University or a constituent of the University, as the case may be, shall, during the first three months of an academic year, submit a weekly report on the status of compliance with Anti- Ragging measures under these Regulations, and a monthly report on such status thereafter, to the Vice-Chancellor of the University to which the institution is affiliated to or recognized by. (MANDATORY, FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE RULES OF ANTI-RAGGING, ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AGAINST THEM BY THE UNIVERSITY)
- 5. Measures for encouraging healthy interaction between fresher's and seniors:
 - i. The institution shall set up appropriate committees, including the coursein-charge, student advisor, Warden and some senior students to actively monitor, promote and regulate healthy interaction between the freshers and senior students.
 - ii. Freshers' welcome parties shall be organized in each department by the senior students and the faculty together soon after admissions, preferably within the first two weeks of the beginning of the academic session, for proper introduction to one another and where the talents of the freshers are brought out properly in the presence of the faculty, thus helping them to shed their inferiority complex, if any, and remove their inhibitions.
 - iii. The institution shall enhance the student-faculty interaction by involving the students in all matters of the institution, except those relating to the actual processes of evaluation and of faculty appointments, so that the students shall feel that they are responsible partners in managing the affairs of the institution and consequently the credit due to the institution for good work/ performance is due to them as well.



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6. As mentioned in the attached circular received from UGC, all the affiliated colleges have to upload the Details of the Anti-Ragging Committee on their institutions' websites and also have to upload the links of videos and Posters as provided in the circular by UGC. **(Mandatory)**

Establishment of Committees and Their Functions:

1. The Anti-Ragging Committee: -

The Anti-Ragging Committee shall be headed by the Head of the institution and shall consist of representatives of faculty members, parents, students belonging to the freshers' category as well as seniors and non-teaching staff. It shall monitor the anti-ragging activities in the institution, consider the recommendations of the Anti-Ragging Squad and take appropriate decisions, including spelling out suitable punishments to those found guilty.

2. The Anti-Ragging Squad:-

The Anti-Ragging Squad shall be nominated by the Head of the institution with such representation as considered necessary and shall consist of members belonging to the various sections of the campus community. The Squad shall have vigil, oversight and patrolling functions. It shall be kept mobile, alert and active at all times and shall be empowered to inspect places of potential ragging and make surprise raids on hostels and other hot spots. The Squad shall investigate incidents of ragging and make recommendations to the Anti-Ragging Committee and shall work under the overall guidance of the said Committee.

These are the various directions/instructions which are provided to all the affiliated colleges, affiliated with Gujarat Technological University. If any failure is found in the implementation of the compliance with the directions/instructions of the Gujarat Technological University, strict action will be taken against them as per the provision of Anti-Ragging Act.



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