

Anti-Ragging Cell

What Constitutes Ragging?

Ragging constitutes of one or more of any of the following acts

- Any kind of misconduct to a student of an educational institution, which causes physical or psychological harm.
- Forcing a student to do any act against his/her willingness.
- Targeting a student on the ground of his colour, race, religion, caste, gender, sexual orientation, linguistic identity or economic background.
- Deliberately creating a sense of shame or embarrassing a junior student or fresher.
- Force students to perform acts which can lead to physical injury/ mental torture or death.

Objective of the Cell

- 1. **Preventing Ragging:** Implementing strict measures to eliminate ragging in all forms within the institution.
- 2. **Spreading Awareness:** Conducting awareness programs to educate students about the negative impact of ragging and legal consequences.
- 3. **Providing Support:** Offering guidance and assistance to victims of ragging to ensure their safety and well-being.
- 4. **Monitoring & Surveillance:** Ensuring vigilance in hostels, classrooms, and common areas to deter ragging incidents.
- 5. **Handling Complaints:** Establishing a proper mechanism to receive, investigate, and address complaints related to ragging.
- 6. **Enforcing Regulations:** Implementing UGC and government guidelines against ragging, including disciplinary actions for offenders.
- 7. **Counselling & Mentoring:** Providing emotional and psychological support to both victims and offenders to promote a healthy campus culture.
- 8. **Encouraging Peer Support:** Promoting anti-ragging values among students through peer mentoring and positive interactions.

Function of the Cell

1. Prevention & Awareness:

- Organizing awareness programs, seminars, and workshops to educate students about the negative effects of ragging.
- Displaying **anti-ragging posters** and helpline numbers across campus.

2. Monitoring & Vigilance:

- Keeping a close watch on **senior-junior interactions**, especially in the initial months of the academic year.
- Forming **student committees** to assist in monitoring activities and reporting violations.

3. Complaint Handling & Redressal:

- Establishing a confidential complaint mechanism for victims or witnesses of ragging.
- Conducting **immediate inquiry and investigation** into reported cases.
- Coordinating with college authorities, police, and legal bodies if necessary.

4. Disciplinary Actions:

- Taking **strict action** against students found guilty of ragging as per UGC and institutional regulations.
- Recommending **suspension**, **fines**, **or expulsion** based on the severity of the offense.
- Ensuring the **rehabilitation and counseling** of both victims and offenders.

5. Support & Counseling:

- Providing **emotional and psychological support** to victims.
- Encouraging a healthy and inclusive peer culture through mentoring programs.
- Conducting interactive sessions to address concerns and promote positive student interactions.

6. Compliance & Reporting:

- Submitting **regular reports** to university authorities and regulatory bodies like UGC.
- Ensuring adherence to the UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging (2009).
- Reviewing and updating **anti-ragging policies** periodically for better effectiveness.

Punishment for ragging

- Guardian call and Class suspension according to the degree of offence.
- Disallowing to appear in examination.
- Financial punishment.
- Rustication from College (if fault is severe).
- Holding back results.
- Cancellation of admission.
- Imprisonment as per West Bengal Prohibition of Ragging in Educational Institutions act, 2000'.

Activities

- The Committee keeps a deep observation over any kind of act of ragging inside the campus (Classrooms, Canteens, and Grounds etc.) and take prompt action.
- Anti-ragging banners are placed at various places of the campus to alert the students about this criminal offence.
- Emergency helpline number and email contact has been given so that any student can report any kind of ragging incident inside the campus.
- The Anti-ragging cell shows zero tolerance against any such reported act and strict measures are taken to curb the menace of Ragging.

Committee Members

SL.NO.	Name	Designation
1.	Prof. (Dr.) Arijit Saha, Principal	President
2.	Sri. Subhabrata Bhattacharya	Convenor
3.	Dr. Sabitri Dutta, Presiding Officer, ICC	Member
4.	Smt. Doyel Chatterjee	Member
5.	Sri. Tapas Mondal	Member
6.	Dr. Apurba Pahar	Member
7.	Sri. Ashis Mandal	TCS
8.	Smt. Nafisa Khatun	Member
9.	Dr. Sarmistha Roy Chowdhury	Member
10.	Dr. Suparna Das	Member
11.	Sri. Mithun Chowdhury	Member
12.	Officer-in-charge Nagerbazar Police station	External Member
13.	Municipal Chairman Nominee	External Member
14.	NGO involved in youth activities	External Member
15.	Local media representative	External Member
16.	Sri. Prasenjit Shome	Non-Teaching Member
17.	Sri. Aloke Ghosh	Non-Teaching Member
18.	External Member	Student member
19.	Samajit Halder	1st year Student Member
20.	Ratul Banerjee	Senior Student Member