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ANTI-RAGGING POLICY AND COMMITTEE

In accordance with UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009 (with amendments)

Introduction

The Post Graduate Institute of Behavioural & Medical Sciences (PGIBAMS), Raipur, strictly adheres to the University Grants Commission (UGC) mandate for a ragging-free, inclusive, and psychologically safe academic environment. Ragging in any form is strictly prohibited and shall invite serious disciplinary and legal consequences. The institute commits to proactive prevention, prompt redressal, and emotional support to ensure student safety and well-being.

Definition of Ragging

Ragging is defined as any conduct by a student(s), whether by words or actions, that causes physical or psychological harm, fear, embarrassment, or harassment to another student. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Verbal abuse or intimidation
- Physical assault or coercion
- Forced tasks or participation in objectionable acts
- Social exclusion or cyberbullying
- Mental harassment or threats

Objectives of the Anti-Ragging Framework

- To prevent the occurrence of any ragging-related activities through education and vigilance
- To ensure immediate and appropriate action in response to any complaints
- To provide confidential psychological support to victims or affected students
- To promote a culture of respect, dignity, and inclusiveness across the campus

Anti-Ragging Committee

The Anti-Ragging Committee of PGIBAMS is the apex body responsible for implementing the anti-ragging policy, conducting regular reviews, and overseeing disciplinary action. It is chaired by the Chairman of PGIBAMS and includes key faculty members from academic and student support roles.

Members of the Anti-Ragging Committee include:

- **Dr. P. N. Shukla** – Chairman, PGIBAMS (Chairperson)
- **Dr. Sonal Shukla** – Consultant Psychiatrist and Director(Member)
- **Dr. Rituparn Shukla** – Director(Member)
- **Mr. Vikas Shukla** – Director (Administration)(Member)
- **Dr. Manoj K. Pandey** – Professor and Head, Dept of Clinical Psychology(Member)
- **Mrs. Aditi Priya**-Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology (MemberSecretary)
- **Mr. Riju Rai Roy** – Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology(Member)
- **Ms. Shreya Prakash** – Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology (Member)
- **Mrs. Prabha Mishra** – Assistant Professor and Student Counsellor
- **Mr. Vinayak Maruwada Rao** – Head, Account Section, Officer In-Charge, Student Support Services& Anti-Ragging Services
- **Two senior student representatives** (nominated annually)

Anti-Ragging Squad

A dedicated Anti-Ragging Squad has been constituted to maintain on-ground vigilance in classrooms, common areas, hostels, and informal spaces. The squad is empowered to intervene immediately, investigate incidents, and report findings to the Committee.

Members of the Anti-Ragging Squad include:

- **Mr. Vikas Shukla** – Director (Administration)(Member)
- **Mr. Riju Rai Roy** – Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology
- **Ms. Shreya Prakash** – Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology

Preventive Measures

- Orientation sessions and awareness campaigns at the beginning of each academic year
- Mandatory anti-ragging affidavits from students and parents at the time of admission
- Prominent display of anti-ragging information across the campus
- Regular monitoring by the Anti-Ragging Squad

Support for Victims

The Student Support Centre (SSC), PGIBAMS, provides free, confidential psychological counseling and emotional support to any student experiencing ragging or harassment. Victims are encouraged to report any incident without fear of reprisal.

Penalties for Ragging

Depending on the severity of the incident, the following penalties may be imposed, in accordance with UGC and university regulations:

- Suspension or rustication from the institution
- Cancellation of admission
- Withholding of academic results,
- Barred from university exams or campus placements
- FIR and legal proceedings under relevant IPC provisions

Confidentiality and Protection

All complaints will be handled sensitively and confidentially. The identity of the complainant will be protected, and no retaliatory action will be tolerated against those who report ragging

Final Declaration

PGIBAMS reiterates its commitment to zero tolerance against ragging. All students, staff, and stakeholders are encouraged to actively contribute to maintaining a safe, respectful, and vibrant academic environment.

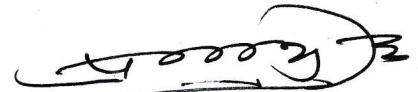
Anti-Ragging Contact Information:

- Email: ssc@pgibams.ac.in
- Helpline: 0771-4223368
- Location: Department of Clinical Psychology, PGIBAMS Campus, Raipur, and Mana Basti Campus
- Hours: Monday to Saturday, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

UGC Anti-Ragging Helpline

In addition to institutional support, students may contact the national anti-ragging helpline for assistance:

- Toll-Free Number: 1800-180-5522
- Website: www.antiragging.in



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