

**THE OXFORD DENTAL COLLEGE**

Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068

**ANTIRAGGING BOOKLET**



**SAY NO TO RAGGING**

## **RAGGING IS A CRIMINAL AND NON- BAILABLE OFFENCE**

Ragging is a **disturbing reality in the higher education system of our country**. Even though over the years, ragging has **claimed hundreds of innocent lives** and has **ruined the careers of thousands of bright students**, the practice is still perceived by many as a way of 'familiarisation' and an 'initiation into the real world' for young college-going students.

### **WHAT IS RAGGING?**

- Any conduct by any student/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.
- **Indulging in rowdy or undisciplined activities** by any student or students which causes or is likely to cause annoyance, hardship, physical or psychological harm or to raise fear or apprehension thereof in any fresher or any other student.
- **Asking any student to do any act which such student will not in ordinary course do and which has the effect of causing or generating a sense of shame, or torment or embarrassment** to adversely affect the physique or psyche of such fresher or any other student.
- **Any act by a senior student that prevents, disrupts, or disturbs the regular academic activity** of any other student or fresher.
- **Exploiting the services of a fresher or any other student for completing the academic tasks assigned** to an individual or a group of students.
- **Any act of financial extortion or forceful expenditure** burden put on a fresher or any other student by students.
- **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, post, public insults** which would also include **deriving perverted pleasure, vicarious or sadistic thrill from actively or passively participating in the discomfiture** to a fresher or any other student.
- **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 thrill

or showing off power, authority, or superiority by a student over any fresher or any other student.

### **Punishment Provisions**

Any student or group of students found guilty of ragging on campus or off campus shall be liable to one or more of the following punishments:

- **Debarring from appearing in any sessional test/ university examination or withholding results**
- **Suspension from attending classes** and academic privileges
- **Withdrawing scholarships** and other benefits
- **Suspension from the college** for a period of one month
- **Cancellation of admission**
- **Debarring from representing the institution** in any national or international meet, tournament, youth festival, etc
- **Suspension/expulsion from the hostel**
- **Rustication from the institution** for periods varying from **1 to 4 semesters** or equivalent period
- **Expulsion from the institution** and consequent debarring from admission to any other institution
- **Imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years** or with fine which may extend to ten thousand rupees or with both
- **Collective punishment - When the students committing or abetting the crime** of ragging are not identified, the institution shall resort to collective punishment as a deterrent to ensure community pressure on the potential raggers.

The **UGC regulations** state that students can be **expelled from an institution** and **prohibited from taking admission** to another institute for a specified period after being found guilty of ragging. They can also be **fined up to 2.5 lakhs**.

A student who is **caught ragging another student** may also face administrative actions, such as **suspension from the college or hostel**. If a complaint is filed against the student, the case can be made under the **Indian Penal Code (IPC), 1860 (IPC)**, which could lead to more serious charges, **like jail time or a fine**.

**To report ragging, please contact any of the following officers**

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| 1. | <b>Antiragging committee</b> | <b>9740070049</b> |
| 2. | <b>Boys hostel warden</b>    | <b>9591461061</b> |
| 3. | <b>Girls hostel warden</b>   | <b>9845283643</b> |

**Email: [support.theoxforddental@gmail.com](mailto:support.theoxforddental@gmail.com)**

**Alternatively, you can reach out to**

**UGC Anti-Ragging Cell (ARC)**  
New Delhi 110 001  
P: 91 11 2338 2087  
E: [raggingcell@yahoo.in](mailto:raggingcell@yahoo.in)

**National Anti-Ragging Helpline**  
New Delhi 110 007  
P: 1800 180 5522  
E: [helpline@antiragging.in](mailto:helpline@antiragging.in)