ANTI-RAGGING

PSG IMSR shows zero tolerance to ragging. Ragging in any form is strictly prohibited in the campus and outside. Our institution has taken comprehensive measures to combat the issue of ragging in compliance with the prevalent regulations - The UGC Regulations for "Preventing Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009" (as amended) and the NMC (Prevention and Prohibition of Ragging in Medical Colleges/Institutions) Regulations 2021.

Excerpts of the National Medical Commission (Prevention and Prohibition of Ragging in Medical Colleges and Institutions) Regulations, 2021 is presented here for your information.

Regulations 3: Definition of Ragging.

Ragging shall mean any disorderly conduct, whether by words spoken or written or by an act which has the effect of teasing, treating or handling with rudeness any other student, indulging in rowdy or undisciplined activities which causes or is likely to cause annoyance, hardship or psychological harm or to raise fear or apprehension thereof in a fresher or a junior student or asking the students to do any act or perform something which such student will not in the ordinary course and which has the effect of causing or generating a sense of shame or embarrassment so as to adversely affect the physique or psyche of a fresher or a junior student.

Regulations 4: Actions that may constitute ragging.

The following actions shall be included but not limited to those that may constitute ragging, namely:-

• 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;

- 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 the student will not in the
 ordinary course do and which has the effect of causing or generating a
 sense of shame, or torment or embarrassment so as 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 a 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, such as, 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, snail-mails, blogs, public insults which would also include deriving perverted pleasure, vicarious or sadistic thrill from actively or passively participating in the discomfiture to fresher or any other student;
- any act of physical or mental abuse (including bullying and exclusion)
 targeted at another student (fresher or otherwise) on the ground of
 colour, race, religion, caste, ethnicity, gender (including transgender),
 sexual orientation, appearance, nationality, regional origins, linguistic
 identity, place of birth, place of residence or economic background;
- any act that undermines human dignity and respect through humiliation or otherwise;
- 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 showing off power, authority or superiority by a student over any fresher or any other student;
- any other act not explicitly mentioned above but otherwise construed as an act of ragging in the letter and spirit of the definition for ragging as provided under regulations 3 and 4.

Excerpts from Chapter IV of the regulations:

Reporting incidents of ragging.

- It shall be mandatory for all concerned to report every incident of ragging.
- Not reporting an incident of ragging even by a fresher shall be viewed seriously and may amount to abetment of ragging.
- The report or complaint of an incident of ragging may be made by—— (i) a fresher or a parent or other student; or (ii) authorities of the hostel, security personnel or any other staff such as canteen staff; or (iii) Head of the Institution, faculty member, or members of the Anti-Ragging Squad or Anti-Ragging Committee on surprise checking; or iv) Others such as direct complaint to local Police or District Authorities.

Institutional administrative and penal actions.-

The nature of punitive actions that may be decided shall include the following, but shall not be limited to one or more of these actions that may be imposed, as deemed fit, namely:—

- suspension from attending classes and academic privileges;
- withholding or withdrawing scholarship or fellowship and other benefits;
- debarring from appearing in any test or examination or other evaluation process;
- withholding results;
- debarring from attending conferences, and other academic programmes;
- debarring from representing the institution in any regional, national or international meet, tournament, youth festival, etc.;
- suspension or expulsion from the hostel;
- imposition of a fine ranging from twenty-five thousand rupees to one lakh rupees;
- cancellation of admission;
- rustication from the medical college or institution for a period ranging from one to four semesters;
- expulsion from the medical colleges or institutions and consequent debarring from admission to any other institution for a specified period.

The medical college shall **record in the Transfer Certificate** issued to the student as to whether the student has been punished for the offence of committing or abetting ragging, or not, as also whether the student has displayed persistent violent or aggressive behaviour or any inclination to harm others.

Any other measure as directed by Courts of law shall be followed by the institution

Provided that where the persons committing or abetting the act of ragging are not identified, the institution shall resort to collective punishment.

Any act of ragging is a criminal offence and therefore is liable for punishment under the provisions of Indian penal law.

For more information:

- The Complete version of Regulations is available in the NMC website link https://www.nmc.org.in/ActivitiWebClient/open/getDocument?
 path=/Documents/Public/Portal/NmcGazette/231281.pdf
- <u>V</u>isit the UGC Website https://www.antiragging.in/

PSG IMSR is against ragging in any form. Please desist from doing anything against your will even if ordered by the seniors. You have nothing to fear as the Institution cares for you and will not tolerate any atrocity against you. In case you are a victim or witness to any such incident you could contact the members of antiragging committee (details given below) or walk into the Principal Office or Academic Office to raise a complaint.

Students can complain of any incidents of ragging in the following ways. The details of the complainant will be kept strictly confidential.

- Contact the college anti-ragging helpline no: 9894192635
- Drop a written complaint in the **complaint box** kept near the dissection hall/ Biochemistry Lab/ Physiology Lab
- Send an email to psgmedschool@gmail.com
- Inform by phone call/ message/ in person to any of the anti-ragging committee members/ faculty of the institution

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