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Preamble

The University Grants Commission (UGC) has issued strict guidelines to curb the menace of ragging in higher educational institutions (Ref. No. D.O. No. F.1-15/2009 (ARC) Pt-III dated 14th May 2024).

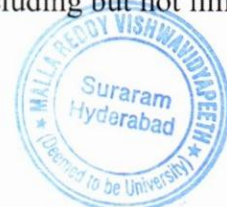
Malla Reddy Vishwavidyapeeth (MRV) is committed to curbing the menace of ragging in every form. MRV reiterates a policy of zero tolerance towards ragging and, in pursuance of this commitment, has established an Anti-Ragging Committee, an Anti-Ragging Squad, an Anti-Ragging Cell, and CCTV surveillance at vital points across its campuses, along with regular sensitization of students to dissuade them from indulging in or abetting any form of ragging.

Scope

1. To sensitize students about the harmful physical and psychological effects of ragging and harassment in any form, and to disseminate information on the means and modes available to report such incidents.
2. To prevent incidents of ragging or harassment through measures such as surprise visits by Anti-Ragging Squads within hostels and across the campus.
3. To ensure a safe, dignified, and ragging-free campus for every student.

MRV envisions a campus environment free of ragging, where every student's dignity, safety, and well-being are respected and protected. Recognizing ragging as a violation of an individual's rights, MRV is dedicated to sensitizing and educating its students to refrain from such practices, and has established mechanisms to prevent, address, and resolve any form of ragging while ensuring strict compliance with applicable national Acts and regulations.

MRV is further committed to the legal frameworks and national guidelines on anti-ragging issued by the University Grants Commission (UGC) and other regulatory authorities, including but not limited to:



- National Medical Commission (NMC)
- National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions (NCAHP)
- Dental Council of India (DCI)
- All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)
- Pharmacy Council of India (PCI)
- Indian Nursing Council (INC)
- Applicable State anti-ragging legislation, where relevant to a constituent college's location

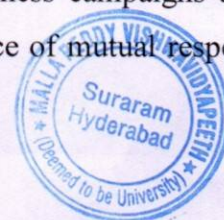
What Constitutes Ragging

In line with UGC Regulations, 2009 and the definitions adopted across peer deemed universities, ragging includes any conduct whether by words spoken or written, or by an act that has the effect of teasing, humiliating, or handling a fresher or any other student with rudeness, or that causes annoyance, hardship, or physical or psychological harm. Specifically, the following are treated as punishable acts of ragging at MRV:

- Abetment, instigation, or criminal conspiracy to rag.
- Any disorderly, rowdy, or undisciplined conduct causing or likely to cause annoyance, hardship, or fear in a fresher or junior student.
- Forcing a student to perform an act that they are unwilling to do, causing shame, embarrassment, or psychological harm.
- Financial extortion, forceful expenditure, or unlawful confinement.
- Physical abuse, assault, sexual offences, or any act endangering a student's health or safety.
- Public nuisance, criminal trespass, or intimidation connected with ragging.
- Abuse through spoken words, emails, messages, social media, or public insult.
- Any act that prevents, disrupts, or disturbs the regular academic activity of a student.

Governing Principles of MRV's Anti-Ragging Policy

4. **Commitment to a Ragging-Free Campus:** MRV is committed to fostering an environment free of ragging, treating students' dignity, safety, and well-being as fundamental rights.
5. **Sensitization and Education:** Regular workshops, seminars, and awareness campaigns are conducted to educate students on the harms of ragging and the importance of mutual respect and community values.

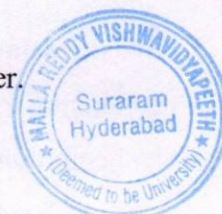


6. **Psychological Support for Students:** Professional psychological support is made readily available to students affected by ragging or needing help coping with campus life, ensuring a safe space for mental well-being.
7. **University-Allied Support Systems:** MRV maintains a framework of support systems, including counselling services, peer mentoring, and faculty guidance, to help students feel secure and supported.
8. **Adherence to National Anti-Ragging Laws:** MRV strictly follows the Medical Council of India (Prevention and Prohibition of Ragging in Medical Colleges/Institutions) Regulations, 2009 and amendments up to April 2018, the UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009, and all other applicable laws, guidelines, and directives issued by the Government of India and statutory authorities.
9. **Clear Definitions and Disciplinary Actions:** Ragging activities are clearly defined in line with national guidelines, and disciplinary or punitive action is prescribed transparently.
10. **Zero-Tolerance Policy:** MRV enforces a zero-tolerance policy toward any form of ragging, with stringent disciplinary measures including suspension, expulsion, or appropriate legal action.
11. **Mentoring Programs:** Senior students and faculty participate in mentorship programs designed to guide new students and minimize the risk of ragging.
12. **Anonymous and Confidential Reporting:** MRV provides students with a safe, anonymous, and confidential way to report incidents of ragging, with full protection from retaliation for the complainant, witnesses, and respondents alike.
13. **Regular Monitoring and Amendments:** MRV remains vigilant and regularly reviews its anti-ragging policies, adapting to new amendments or updates to national regulations.

Mandatory Student and Parent Undertaking

In keeping with UGC requirements and the practice followed at peer deemed universities, every student admitted to MRV and its constituent colleges, together with a parent/guardian, shall submit the prescribed anti-ragging affidavits/undertakings as under:

- Annexure I — Undertaking by the Student, submitted on plain paper (attestation by an Oath Commissioner is not required).
- Annexure II — Undertaking by the Parent/Guardian, submitted on plain paper.



- An online undertaking filed at the UGC's designated anti-ragging portal (antiragging.in) as mandated by UGC.

Non-submission of the above undertakings by the stipulated date shall be treated as non-compliance and may result in withholding of admission-related benefits until the requirement is fulfilled.

National and Institutional Anti-Ragging Helpline

Students and parents may report incidents of ragging through the following channels, all of which are treated as strictly confidential:

- Online complaint registration: www.antiragging.in
- MRV Anti-Ragging Cell — institutional helpline number and email to be displayed prominently at each constituent college and hostel, and communicated to students and parents at the time of admission.

UGC Guidelines: https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/6225980_English.pdf

AICTE Guidelines: <https://www.aicte-india.org/grievance/anti>

National Anti-Ragging Helpline: 1800-180-5522 (24 X 7 Toll Free),
helpline@antiraging.in

Composition of the University Anti-Ragging Monitoring Committee

The composition of the University-level Monitoring Committee of MRV is as follows:

Sl. No.	Member	Role
1	Vice Chancellor	Chairman
2	Registrar	Member
3	Dean / Director – Student Welfare & Affairs	Member
4	Principals/Deans of Constituent Colleges / Schools of Eminence	Member
5	Representative from local Police Administration	Member
6	Representative from local Media	Member
7	Controller of Examinations	Member
8	Finance Officer	Member
9	Chief Warden / Senior Resident Wardens of Hostels	Member
10	Head – Campus Security	Member
11	Parent representative – Male & Female	Member
12	Student Representative – Male & Female	Member
13	Social Worker/NGO	Member



14	Clinical Psychologist	Member
15	Campus Administrator	Member
16	Member Secretary, Anti-Ragging Cell (Nodal Officer)	Member Secretary

Composition of the Anti-Ragging Committee at Constituent Colleges/Schools

The Anti-Ragging Committee at each constituent college/schools of MRV shall be constituted with the following designated members, and shall comply with the regulations and periodic updates issued by the respective Statutory Regulatory Authority (SRA):

Sl. No.	Member	Role
1	Principal / Dean – Head of the Institution	Chairman
2	Coordinator, Anti-Ragging Committee (Senior Faculty, appointed by Chairman)	Convener
3	Representative from local Police Administration	Member
4	Representative from local Media	Member
5	Parent representative – Male	Member
6	Parent representative – Female	Member
7	Anti-Ragging Squad (minimum 3 teaching faculty across levels)	Member
8	Hostel Warden(s) – Male / Female, as applicable	Member
9	Student representatives from every year of study	Member
10	Senior Office Administration / Student Welfare Officer	Member
11	Senior Professor from Constituent units/schools	Member Secretary

Duties of the Anti-Ragging Squad

- Conduct surprise day and night visits/inspections of hostels, canteens, classrooms, buses, and other places of student congregation.
- Conduct on-the-spot enquiry into any incident of ragging referred to it, observing principles of natural justice and giving a fair opportunity to all parties concerned.
- Submit enquiry reports with recommendations to the Anti-Ragging Committee for further action.
- Maintain vigilance and report any suspicious activity indicative of ragging to the Committee immediately.



Coordination with Allied Student-Welfare Committees

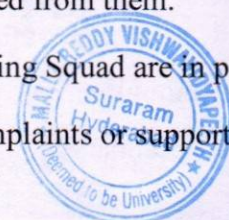
Recognizing that ragging-related concerns often intersect with other aspects of student welfare, MRV's Anti-Ragging Committee shall function in coordination with the following allied committees to ensure comprehensive support to students:

- Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) / Prevention of Sexual Harassment Cell for complaints involving sexual harassment.
- Grievance Redressal Committee for general student grievances that may accompany or follow from a ragging complaint.
- Equal Opportunity Cell / SC-ST Committee for complaints involving discrimination on the grounds of caste or category.
- Student Counselling & Wellness Centre for psychological first-aid, ongoing counselling, and mental-health support to affected students.

This coordinated structure ensures that a student affected by ragging receives holistic support covering disciplinary, psychological, and welfare dimensions, rather than being routed through a single, isolated redressal channel.

Measures and Initiatives to Curb Ragging on Campus

- Anti-ragging measures and initiatives in the hostel and college are explained to parents and students in person by the Principal and Class Coordinators.
- Students are informed of the Anti-Ragging Committee's composition, along with the email ID and phone number of every member, and the University's Anti-Ragging Toll-Free number.
- Students are made aware of the anti-ragging measures taken by the Institute(s) and the University.
- Students and parents are informed about the anti-ragging link on the MRV website and the UGC helpline number for lodging complaints regarding any incident of ragging or harassment.
- Posters on anti-ragging measures and consequences are prominently displayed across the colleges.
- Senior students are sensitized about the consequences of ragging and are advised against involvement in or support of ragging; a written undertaking is collected from them.
- Day squads are arranged, and night visits to hostels by the Anti-Ragging Squad are in place.
- Students are informed to contact the Anti-Ragging Squad for any complaints or support.



- Mentors are allotted to students and brief them on the anti-ragging measures in place on campus.
- Student Welfare Officers address students on preventive measures relating to hostel and campus life.
- Students are informed to report any incidents of ragging in the campus or hostel to the Warden, Faculty, or Mentor.
- A dedicated online/anonymous complaint mechanism is maintained on the MRV website, allowing students to report incidents without disclosing their identity, in line with UGC's confidentiality requirements.

Mode of Functioning of the Monitoring Committee on Receipt of a Complaint

- The aggrieved student lodges a verbal/written complaint of harassment through the Warden/SWO/Faculty/Mentor to the Principal of the constituent college/school.
- The complaint is received, and an enquiry committee is constituted by the Principal to look into and verify the complaint.
- The Principal of the constituent college may request the MRV Monitoring Committee to conduct an enquiry where the complaint is of a grave nature.
- The Committee conveys its decision/recommendation to the Principal after due enquiry.
- Appropriate measures are taken by the MRV Monitoring Committee following the enquiry.
- The identity of the complainant, respondent, and witnesses, along with statements and evidence, is treated as strictly confidential and is not disclosed to unauthorized persons at any stage.

Anti-Ragging Complaint Resolution Workflow

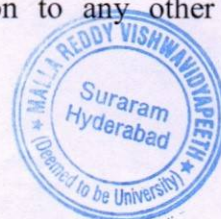
Step	Action	Responsibility	Timeline
1	Complaint lodgement (written / verbal / online) via Warden, Faculty, SWO or Mentor	Aggrieved student or representative	Day 0
2	Initial receipt and recording of the complaint	Principal / Anti-Ragging Committee Coordinator	Within 24 hours
3	Constitution of the Enquiry Committee	Principal of the Constituent College / Dean	Within 24 hours of complaint
4	Preliminary inquiry and submission	Enquiry Committee / Anti-	Within 48 hours

	of report	Ragging Squad	
5	Review of findings and decision recommendation	Anti-Ragging Committee	Within 96 hours
6	Approval and action; escalation to University Monitoring Committee, if required	Principal / University Monitoring Committee	Within 5–7 working days
7	Communication of decision to stakeholders	Anti-Ragging Committee through Principal	Immediately after decision
8	Implementation of punitive measures, if guilt is established	University / College Administration	Within 1–2 working days
9	Psychological support and counselling, where required	Student Welfare Office / Counsellor	Ongoing
10	Filing of FIR with police, where the act is criminal in nature	University Administration / Legal Cell	Immediately, as per law

Punitive Measures for Students Found Guilty of Ragging

The Anti-Ragging Committee of MRV shall take an appropriate decision regarding punishment, depending on the facts of each incident and the nature and gravity of the ragging established in the recommendations of the Anti-Ragging Squad. Depending on such findings, the Committee may award one or more of the following punishments to those found guilty:

- a. Suspension from attending classes and academic privileges.
- b. Withholding or withdrawing scholarship/fellowship and other benefits.
- c. Debarring from appearing in any test, examination, or other evaluation process.
- d. Withholding of results.
- e. Debarring from representing MRV in any regional, national, or international meet, tournament, or youth festival.
- f. Forfeiting campus placement opportunities or placement recommendations.
- g. Suspension or expulsion from the hostel.
- h. Cancellation of admission.
- i. Rustication from MRV for a period ranging from one to four semesters.
- j. Expulsion from MRV and consequent debarring from admission to any other MRV constituent college for a specified period.



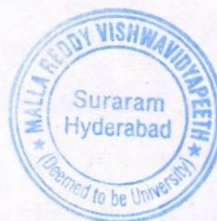
k. Collective punishment, where the persons committing or abetting the act of ragging cannot be individually identified.

l. Fine, as decided by the Enquiry Committee/Anti-Ragging Committee.

Every single incident of ragging that amounts to a criminal offence shall additionally be reported to the local police authorities through an FIR, without prejudice to the institutional disciplinary action detailed above. Ragging is treated as a cognizable offence under the law, on par with offences such as sexual assault and atrocities against women and against persons belonging to the SC/ST communities, and is prohibited in all its forms across every constituent college of MRV.

MRV reserves its rights to modify, amend, or replace this Policy, including withdrawal, at any time.

— Office of the IQAC / Anti-Ragging Policy, MRV-



**Sd/-
Registrar**