



**ARULMIGU PALANIANDAVAR ARTS COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, PALANI (Autonomous )**

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**ANTI-RAGGING CELL AND  
COMPLAINTS-CUM-REDRESSAL MECHANISM**

**Aim**

To ensure that no ragging takes place in the Institute and its hostel premises, by promulgating and enforcing stringent anti-ragging measures, and making provisions for deterrent and hard punishment to defaulters.

**References**

**As per the guidelines of the given Statutory Bodies:**

**Ministry of Education - <http://www.education.gov.in/>**

**University Grants Commission - <http://www.ugc.ac.in.>**

**Mother Teresa Women's University - <https://www.motherteresawomenuniv.ac.in/>**

**Ragging is a Grave Crime**

Ragging is a cognizable offence (offence for which the police can arrest the offender without warrant). This heinous practice has caused deaths and suicides of many bright students in the recent past in India, forcing the Supreme Court to take a serious view of the menace and recommend deterrent and justifiably harsh punishment to those guilty of ragging.

So, a ragging complaint against a student, if found valid after investigation can straightaway become a criminal case and land the perpetrator in serious trouble. The Institute is bound to take strong action against him or her, and regardless of this, the law of the land will catch up with the offender with hard punishment.

**Zero Tolerance to Ragging! A firm NO to ragging in any form!!**

**What Constitutes Ragging**

According to the Honourable Supreme Court of India, ragging means: "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 actor 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.”

Specifically, ragging constitutes any one or more of the following acts:

- (a) 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.
- (b) Indulging in rowdy or undisciplined activities by any student or students which causes or are likely to cause annoyance, hardship or psychological or physical harm or to raise the fear or apprehension thereof in a fresher or any other student.
- (c) Asking the students to do or perform any act which such 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.
- (d) Any act by a senior student that prevents, disrupts or disturbs the regular academic activity of any other student or fresher.
- (e) Exploiting the services of a fresher or any other student for completing the academic tasks assigned to an individual or a group of students.
- (f) Any act of financial extortion or forceful expenditure burden put on a fresher or any other student by other students.
- (g) Any act of physical abuse including all of its variants, viz., sexual abuse, homosexual assaults, stripping, and forcing obscene and lewd acts, gestures, causing bodily harm or any other danger to health or person.
- (h) Any act or abuse by spoken words, e-mails, posts or public insults which would also include deriving perverted pleasure, vicarious or sadistic thrill, or showing off power, authority or superiority, or passively participating in the discomfiture to any fresher or any other student.
- (i) 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 over any fresher.



## **Prohibition of Ragging**

Ragging in any form is strictly prohibited

- (a) within the Institute Campus including the Departments, Canteen, etc.,
- (b) in Hostels, Messes, Canteens, Cafeteria, etc., and
- (c) in Playgrounds, Transport Vehicles, etc.

## **Punishment**

### **(a) By the Institute:**

- Cancellation of admission, suspension, rustication or expulsion from the Institute/ Hostel.
- Filing FIR with the police.
- Collective punishment may be imposed where the persons involved are not identified.

**(b) By the Law & Order Agencies:** Over and above the Institute-level action, there will be strong police and legal action. Ragging is a cognizable offence under the law of the land, and the Supreme Court has ruled that the punishment to be meted out has to be exemplary and justifiably harsh to act as a deterrent. According to relevant sections of the The Indian Penal Code (IPC), those found guilty of a ragging related offence can be punished with imprisonment or fine or both. The quantum of punishment varies with the gravity of the crime. **Instructions to Freshers:**

- Be courteous to all. It will make a favorable impression of you.
- Always speak the truth, but never be blunt.
- Always keep your cell phone with you. Keep it on silent / vibration mode.
- Load your cell phone with all important contact numbers of the Institute / hostels / your parents.

### **Instructions to Parents**

- Instruct your wards to desist from ragging freshers or other students in any form.
- Keep regular contact with your wards and monitor their well being and academic progress.
- Frequently interact with the Faculty Advisor and other faculty members to track the welfare and progress of your wards (every student will have a faculty advisor).



### **Anti-Ragging Committee:**

The Committee will ensure that no incidents of ragging as given in this Regulation takes place, and it will also monitor and ensure that the instructions of this regulation are fully followed in letter and spirit at all times.

The Committee will also maintain the strictest vigil at all times and ensure that the Anti-Ragging Squad of the Institute carries out its functions properly.

It will deliberate on the reports of the Anti-Ragging Squads or of any other person who witnesses the incident of ragging, or on the complaint of any fresher or other students, and determine the punishment, namely, Institute level disciplinary action or filing FIR with police or both.

**For any Complaints, Queries & Assistance**

**Contact: 98421 11125**

<b>Anti-Ragging and Complaints cum Redressal Committee</b>			
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