RAGGING IS A CRIMINAL OFFENCE (AS PER THE SUPREME COURT VERDICT)

[Ragging is an offence under penal code and under section 116 of the Karnataka Education Act, 1983 (Karnataka Act No.1 of 1995)]

"Causing, inducing, compelling or forcing a student, whether by way of practical joke or otherwise, to do any act which detracts from human dignity or violates his/her person or exposes him/her to ridicule from doing any lawful act. By intimidating, wrongfully restraining, wrongfully confining, or injuring him or by using criminal force on him/her or by holding out to him/her any threat of intimidation, wrongful confinement, injury or the use of criminal force."

"Ragging in all its forms is totally banned in this institution in all the departments, hostels, premises, (academic, residential, sports, kiosks, cafeteria and the like) whether located within the campus or outside and in all means of transportation of students whether public or private. The institution shall take strict action including but not limited to criminal proceeding and/or cancellation of admission against those found guilty of ragging and/or of abetting ragging and the burden of proof shall hereby lie on the perpetrator of alleged ragging and not on the victim. An offence of Ragging may be charged either on a written complaint by the affected or on independent finding of the Anti Ragging Squad. This Institution is bound by the All India Council for Technical Education (*Prevention and Prohibition of Ragging in Technical Institutions, Universities including Deemed to be Universities imparting technical education*) Regulations 2009 & Rules prescribed by *Bangalore University*.

PUNISHABLE INGREDIENTS OF RAGGING:

- Abetment / instigation to ragging
- Criminal conspiracy to rag
- Unlawful assembly and rioting while ragging
- Public nuisance created during ragging
- Violation of decency and morals through ragging
- Injury to body, causing hurt / mental trauma or grievous hurt
- Wrongful restraint
- Wrongful confinement
- Use of criminal force
- Assault as well as sexual offences or unnatural offences
- Extortion
- Criminal trespass
- Offences against property
- Criminal intimidation
- Attempt to commit any or all of the above mentioned offences against the victim
- Physical or psychological humiliation
- Any act / abuse by spoken words, e-mails, snail mails, blogs, public insults etc.
- Any act that prevents, disrupts or disturbs the regular academic activity of a student
- All other offences following from the definition of "Ragging".

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PUNISHMENTS AGAINST RAGGING:

Depending upon the nature and gravity of the offence as established by the Anti-Ragging Committee of the Institution, the possible punishments for those found guilty of ragging shall be any one or any combination of the following:

- Suspension from attending classes and academic privileges
- Withholding / withdrawing scholarship / fellowship and other benefits
- Forfeiting Campus Placement opportunities / recommendations
- Debarring from appearing in any test/examination or other evaluation process
- Withholding of results
- Debarring from representing the institution in any regional, national or international meet, tournament, youth festival etc.
- Suspension/ expulsion from the hostel
- Cancellation of Admission
- Rustication from the institution for a period, ranging from 1 to 3 years
- Expulsion from the institution and consequent debarring from admission to any other institution for a specific period
- Fine of Rupees 25,000/-
- Collective punishment: When the persons 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.

In addition, in case of every single incident of ragging, a <u>FIRST INFORMATION REPORT (FIR) WILL BE</u> <u>FILED WITH THE LOCAL POLICE AUTHORITIES</u>. The possible punishment includes <u>RIGOROUS</u> <u>IMPRISONMENT (IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE ORDER OF SUPREME COURT OF INDIA)</u>

HELPLINE:

Dr. FRED FELIX	:	94481 49402
Sri. MATHEW THOMAS	:	98450 62687
Fr. JOSEPH	:	90369 40262

In the case of any ragging incident, the students may immediately call and bring it to the above persons notice for necessary help, guidance and actions.

The freshers / junior students are hereby instructed that they should move in groups within the academic areas / campus, should not respond to the calls from seniors, should not participate in any kind of "freshers' party" anywhere inside/outside the campus, desist from doing anything against their will even if ordered by the seniors and that, they have nothing to fear as the institution cares for them and shall not tolerate any atrocities against them.

Principal

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THE INSTITUTION LEVEL ANTI RAGGING COMMITTEE

Dr. Fred Felix Prof. Sujitha Paul Prof. K. Raghav Mr. Mathew Thomas Fr. Joseph Mr. Ali Mr. Akash Amarnath

Principal Head of Department Lecturer Administrator Student Counselor Student Representative Student Representative

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Complying with the directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and Bangalore University Directions and and AICTE Notification, the above Anti-ragging committee is formed for overseeing the implementation of the provisions of the Anti-ragging Verdict.

This committee comprising teaching faculty, administrators and women representatives will monitor the measures taken by the Institute for prevention of ragging, will look into the specific instances of ragging and complaints of ragging; and suggest appropriate action / punishment against individuals who indulge in ragging.

THE INSTITUTION LEVEL ANTI RAGGING SQUAD

Prof. S.P. Kumar	Professor
Mr. N. Santhosh Kumar	Lecturer
Mrs. Sajana Sabarish	Public Relations Officer
Miss. Sunta	Student Co-Ordinator

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This squad comprising teaching faculty / supporting staff, administrators and women representatives will have vigil, oversight and patrolling functions. It will be mobile, alert and active at all times and is empowered to periodically inspect places of potential ragging. It will make surprise raids on hostels and other hot spots. The squad shall investigate incidents of ragging, make recommendations to the Institution level Anti-ragging committee and shall work under the overall guidance of the said committee.

The squad will visit various potential locations and hostels (as decided by the team), both inside and outside the CIDS campus, regularly on all days (on rotational basis), from 8am to 10pm; will continuously monitor the situation and report to the anti-ragging committee from time to time. A vehicle will be made available to the visiting squad from 8am to 10pm on all days.

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