Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research, Kolkata

ZERO TOLERANCE FOR RAGGING

The Honorable Supreme Court of India has declared ragging to be a PUNISHABLE offence. It can be a CRIMINAL offence as well. IPGME&R, Kolkata, seeks to be a ragging-free institution. **Ragging is STRICTLY PROHIBITED here**. Anyone found guilty of ragging and / or abetting ragging, whether actively or passively, or is found to be part of a conspiracy towards ragging, is liable to be punished in accordance with applicable regulations. Freshers and other students are encouraged to report any instances of ragging or abetment of ragging so that remedial action can be taken promptly.

What constitutes ragging

Any act or behavior that has the potential to harm a fresher or other student physically, mentally or socially, or be detrimental to his or her academic performance or human dignity. This includes acts of:

- Physical abuse in any form, including stripping, sexual abuse or exposure to dangerous objects or situations
- Mental abuse, including bullying through words, gestures or public insult
- Social abuse, including spread of malicious information through social and electronic media
- Wrongful restraint or attempt to do so
- Forcing involvement in or witnessing of obscene or lewd acts or gestures
- Repeatedly disrupting or disturbing academic activity
- Forcing performance of academic, menial or other tasks on behalf of others
- Financial extortion or fraud
- Any other act or behavior which can be construed as shameful or damaging to dignity by the victim

Punishment for ragging

In addition to intimation of parents / guardians, may include

- Suspension from attending classes
- Withholding of examination results
- Withdrawal of academic privileges like library or scholarship facilities
- Debarring from representing the institution in academic or recreational gatherings
- Debarring from appearing in institutional / university examinations
- Suspension / Expulsion from hostel
- Filing of FIR with police
- Rustication from the institution

Victims of ragging and any other student / faculty / non-teaching staff can report incidents of ragging to:

• Director, IPGME&R (Chairperson of Antiragging and Disciplinary Committee) 033-22235181 director.ipgmer@gmail.com

• Dean of Student Affairs (Convener of Antiragging and Disciplinary Committee) 033-22236180 deanipgmerkolkata@gmail.com

National anti-ragging helpline of the Government of India (Toll free) 1800-180-5522