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Respected Sir/Madam.

In pursuance to the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 08.05.2009 in Civil Appeal No. 887/2009, the UGC had notified "Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009". The Regulations are available on the UGC website i.e. www.ugc.ac.in. These regulations are mandatory for all higher educational institutions in the country.

As multiple mechanisms are required to ensure a ragging-free campus, here are some recommendations and action steps which are required to be deployed in your esteemed university and all institutions under your ambit.

A. Basic Measures:

- 1. Constitution of anti-ragging committee, anti-ragging squad, setting up of Anti-Ragging Cell and adequate publicity for these measures through various media are to be undertaken.
- 2. Mention of anti-ragging warning in the institution's prospectus and information booklets /brochures shall be ensured.
- 3. Updating websites of institutions with the complete address and contact details of nodal officers related to anti-ragging committee.
- 4. In compliance with the UGC Regulations and its 2nd Amendment regarding submission of undertaking by each student and every parent, an online undertaking in every academic year to be submitted.
- 5. UGC has notified 3rd Amendment in UGC Regulations on 29th June, 2016 to expand the definition of ragging by including the following:
 - "3. (i) 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."
- 6. Installing CCTV cameras at vital points.

B. Counseling and monitoring measures

- 1. Regular interaction and counseling with the students can detect early signs of ragging and identification of trouble-triggers.
- 2. Surprise inspection at hostels, students accommodation, canteens, rest-cum-recreation rooms, toilets, bus-stands and any other measure which would augur well in preventing/quelling ragging and any uncalled for behaviour/incident shall be undertaken.

C. Creative Dissemination of the idea of ragging-free campus

- 1. Events like Anti-Ragging workshops, seminars and other creative avenues to spread the idea.
- 2. Safety and security apps without affecting the privacy of individuals can be creatively deployed.

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D. Using other UGC initiated measures

- For any other information regarding ragging, please visit the UGC website i.e. www.antiragging.in and contact UGC monitoring agency i.e. Aman Satya Kachroo Trust on mobile No. 09871170303, 09818400116 (only in case of emergency).
- UGC also drives an Anti-Ragging Media Campaign through different modes and UGC has got developed the following entities to promote anti-ragging which are available on UGC website i.e. www.ugc.ac.in.
 - uGC has developed 05 TVCs of 30 seconds each from different perspective i.e. Parents, Victim and Offenders.
 - b. UGC has designed and distributed posters amongst Universities/Regulatory Authorities/Councils/IITs/NITs/Other educational institutions for the prominent display.
 - c. UGC has consecutively organized 02 Anti-Ragging Competitions for students/faculty /general public for the wider awareness of the menace of ragging.

Any violation of UGC Regulations or failure of institution to take adequate steps to prevent ragging in accordance with these Regulations or failure to punish perpetrators of incidents of ragging suitably, will attract punitive action under the UGC Act.

You are requested to implement the recommendations communicated vide this office letter of even number dated December 27, 2018 and thereby ensure a ragging-free campus, a fundamental requirement for a supportive and fair institutional climate which is open to change, learning and progress.

With personal regards,

Yours sincerely.

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The Vice-Chancellor of all Universities.