

RAGGING IS PROHIBITED

As per the judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and the guidelines issued by MHRD/UGC, Institute level committee, Institute level squad and Hostel level squads are formed to keep a watch on acts of ragging and if any such act occurs, members of committee and squads are empowered to recommend punishments. In view of this, we all may note what constitutes ragging and what punishments can be given:

What Constitutes Ragging?

- a) Any act of teasing or rudeness
- b) Rowdy or undisciplined activities causing physical or psychological harm
- c) Asking the other to do shameful or embarrassing act
- d) Any act that prevents or disrupts regular academic activity
- e) Asking the other to complete one's own academic tasks
- f) Any act of financial extortion or forceful expenditure
- g) Any act of physical abuse
- h) Any act of words, emails, public utterances causing discomfort
- i) Any act that affects mental health and confidence of the other

A student indulging in ragging can be given following punishments:

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

In case you witness an act of ragging, you may contact any one of the following persons:

1. Prof. Srikanta Routroy, Associate Dean, SWD (9694096456)
2. Prof. Navin Singh, Chief Warden, SWD (9694096457)
3. Prof. Surekha Bhanot, Warden, Meera Bhawan (9694096461)

Or an online complaint (anonymous or with name) may be filed at:

<http://www.bits-pilani.ac.in:12349/AntiRagging.aspx>

