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To

All Principals,

Govt. Degree/Skt. Colleges/Pvt. Institutions,

Himachal Pradesh.

Subject: -

Regarding minutes of the 18th Meeting of Anti Ragging Monitoring Committee held in the University Grants Commission, New Delhi on 8th June, 2016.

This is in reference to letter no. F.No. 16-2/2016-U.5 dated 02.08.2016 received from Rajendra Prasad Tewari, Under Secretary to the Govt. of India through the Secretary (Education) to the Government of H.P. on the subject cited above. (copy enclosed)

In this context, please find enclosed herewith the Minutes of the 18th Meeting of anti-Ragging Monitoring Committee held in the University Grants Commission, New Delhi on 08.06.2016 under the Chairmanship of Dr. R.K. Raghvan, former CBI Director, for necessary action, compliance and report to Sh. S. Shankar, DS (HE), MHRD, Room No. 506, 'B' Wing, Shahtri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001, and Secretary, UGC, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002. Therefore, you are requested to take further necessary action as per the agenda items and ATR may be sent to this department so the same could be sent to the Government.

> Addl. Director of Hr. Education (C) Himachal Pradesh

> > = 11th November, 2016

Endst. No. even Shimla the Copy for information and necessary action to: -

1. The Registrar, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla. 2. The Registrar, All Govt./Pvt. Universities in the State.

3. Supdt. IT Cell, Directorate of Higher Education to upload the same on departmental website.

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Addl. Director of Hr. Education (<)

No. EDN-A-Ka (3)-6/2009-Loose. Government of Himachal Pradesh, Department of Higher Education.

From

The Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

To

- 1. The Addl. Chief Secretary (Health) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 2. The Addl. Chief Secretary (Agriculture) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 3. The Pr. Secretary (Ayurveda) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 4. The Pr. Secretary (Technical Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 5. The Pr. Secretary (Horticulture) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 6. The Secretary, HP PEIRC, Majitha House, Shimla-2.
- 6. The Joint Secretary (Home) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 7. All the Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.
- 8 The Director of Higher Education, Himachal Pradesh.

Dated, Shimla-2, the 218T October, 2016.

Subject:

Minutes of the 18th Meeting of Anti Ragging Monitoring Committee held in the University Grants Commission, New Delhi on 8th June, 2016- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith copy of letter no. F.No.16-2/2016-U.5 dated 2nd August, 2016 received from Shri Rajendra Prasad Tewari, Under Secretary, GOI, Ministry of HRD, Department of Higher Education, 537/C, Shashtri Bhawan, New Delhi- 110 115 on the subject cited above which is self explanatory and to say that necessary action in the matter be taken and ATR may be sent to the quarter concerned under intimation to this department.

Yours faithfully,

Under Secretary (Hr. Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

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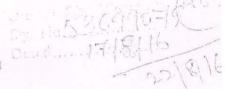
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F.No.16-2/2016-U.5 Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Higher Education)



537/C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi 2nd August, 2016

Enclosed please find the Minutes of the 18th Meeting of Anti-Ragging Monitoring Committee held in the University Grants Commission, New Delhi on 08.06.2016 (Wednesday) under the Chairmanship of Dr. R.K. Raghavan, former CBI Director, for necessary action, compliance and report to Shri S. Shankar, DS (HE), MHRD, Room No, 506. 'B' Wing, Shahtri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001, and Secretary, UGC, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi – 110 002.

Please attach Priority.

(Rajendra Prasad Tewari)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Tel: 23073528

All Participants.

All Anti-Ragging Monitoring Committee Members.

All Regulatory Bodies, including UGC.

All State Governments/Union Territories.

Shri. Gopal Subramanium, Hon'ble Amicus Curie & Former Solicitor General, Supreme Court of India, 223, Jor Bagh, New Delhi - 110 003.

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Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Agriculture Research and Education).

Ministry of Shipping.

Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.

All other Ministries dealing with Higher Education.

NIC attached to MHRD, with kind request to place the Minutes on the website of MHRD.

Ministry of Human Resource Development NEW DELHI

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Minutes of the 18th Meeting of Anti-Ragging Committee for monitoring measures to prevent ragging in higher educational institutions under the Chairmanship of Dr. R. K. Raghavan, former CBI Director, held on 8th June, 2016 at 11.00 AM in UGC Main Office, New Delhi.

A meeting of the Anti-Ragging Committee for monitoring measures to prevent ragging in higher educational institutions under the Chairmanship of Dr. R. K. Raghavan, former CBI Director, was held on 8th June, 2016 at 11.00 AM in UGC Main Office, New Delhi.

The following attended the meeting:-

1. Dr. R.K. Raghavan Former CBI Director, Chennai - Chairman

Prof. H. Devaraj
 Vice Chairman,
 University Grants Commission
 New Delhi

Vice-Chairman, UGC

3. Prof. S. Sathikh
Former Vice Chancellor
University of Madras
Chennai

Member

4. Prof. Sanjay Govind Dhande Former Director IIT Kanpur & Member Commission, UGC Pune - Member

 Dr. Rajendra Prasad Principal, Ramjas College Delhi

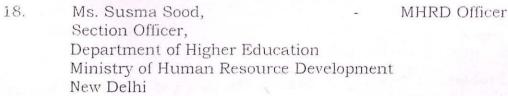
- Member

6. Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal Additional Secretary, University Grants Commission New Delhi

UGC Officer

7.	Dr. Archana Thakur Joint Secretary,		UGC Officer
	University Grants Commission, New I	Delhi	
8.	Shri S. Shankar Deputy Secretary	-	MHRD Officer
	Department of Higher Education Ministry of Human Resource Developm New Delhi	nent	
9.	Dr. Asha Sharma Vice President, Indian Nursing Council, New Delhi		Representing INC
10.	Shri Anil Mittal Deputy Secretary, Pharmacy Council of India, New Delhi	. 100	Representing PCI
11.	Shri Narender Singh Deputy Director	*	Representing AICTE
	All India Council for Technical Educati New Delhi	on	
12.	Shri Bhagwan Das Jain Assistant Secretary, Medical Council India, New Delhi		Representing MCI
13.	Dr. Ajay Kumar Medical Council of India, New Delhi	euithe gnetif	Representing MCI
14.	Shri Anupam Dhua Computer Programmer, Medical Council of India, New Delhi	-	Representing MCI
15.	Dr. S.K. Katharia Member, Dental Council of India, New Delhi	-	Representing DCI
16.	Prof. Raj Kachroo Founder Trustee, Aman Satya Kachroo Trust, Gurgaon	-	Representing NGO
17.	Shri Rajender Prasad Tewari Under Secretary, Department of Higher Education Ministry of Human Resource Developm	ent	MHRD Officer
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The meeting commenced with a welcome note by Dr. R. K. Raghavan, former CBI Director. The Committee first met separately with MHRD & UGC officials. It was appreciated that UGC had held a good number of Meetings relating to Anti-ragging in the interregnum. The Committee desired that all other Regulatory Bodies should follow suit.

The Agenda items were then taken up one by one:-

Item No. 1 Confirmation of Minutes of the 17th meeting of the Committee for monitoring measures to prevent ragging in higher educational institutions held on 05.06.2015.

The minutes were confirmed.

Item No. 2. Action Taken on the last meeting of the Dr. R.K. Raghvan Committee held on 05.06.2015 and preventive measures taken by the Regulatory Authorities.

The Action Taken was noted.

The following issues were specially mentioned:-

3rd Amendment to Anti Ragging Regulation of UGC: Additional (i) Secretary, UGC, informed the Committee about the enlargement of the definition of Ragging through the 3rd amendment to UGC's Anti-Ragging Regulations by including the words/terms like race, racial, ethnic, ethnicity, transgender, stalking, etc. It was informed that the Sub-Committee constituted by Dr. Raghavan Committee comprising Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Dr. Arun Agarwal and Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal held three meetings i.e. on 13th July, 2015, 17th August, 2015 and 16th November, 2015 and submitted its report on 16th November, 2015. matter was placed before the Commission and the Commission considered and approved the 3rd Amendment in its meeting held on 4th February, 2016. The said regulations were sent to MHRD for concurrence. The concurrence of MHRD has been received. Finally the 3rd Amendment has been sent to Govt. of India Press for publication in the Gazette. The Committee requested the UGC to take steps for early publication of the Regulation in the Gazette of India.

- (ii) Problem of Ragging in States: The cases of ragging in various States were discussed in the meeting. It was noted that the Secretary/Vice-Chairman, UGC, had already sent the letter to Chief/Education Secretaries but till date no response has been received from their side. The Committee directed MHRD to send the reminder to Chief Secretaries and Education Secretaries of the concerned States where there are more ragging cases to curb the menace of ragging.
- (iii) Inaction of certain bodies on Anti-Ragging: Additional Secretary (UGC) mentioned that certain bodies (such as Sports Authority of India) which were not within the purview of UGC do not take timely action against ragging. The Committee desired that UGC may write to such organizations for taking quick action on ragging cases.
- (iv) The Committee also desired that while closing the complaints, reasons for closure along with the satisfaction level of the student/parent/guardian shall be clearly mentioned on the website.

Item No. 3 To report the matter related to media publicity for anti-ragging measures in respective Councils.

The Additional Secretary, UGC, informed the Committee that UGC sanctioned the amount of Rs. 4,77,92,617/- (Four Crore Seventy Seven Lacs Ninety Two Thousand Six Hundred Seventeen Only) for the following activities, as Media Publicity against ragging out of Rs. 5.00 crores received from MHRD for the purpose:-

S.No.	Amount	Activities	
1	Rs.1,51,14,000/- has been released to Doordarshan for	To telecast the 30 seconds TVCs on Anti-Ragging on DD-National & DD-News for the period of 180 days plus 150 days bonus Plan for telecast on DD-News. To telecast the 15 minutes and 25 minutes documentaries six times (once in a month for six months).	
		To prepare the Three TVCs (HD format) (30 second advertisement films) in Hindi & English with dubbing in 10 (Ten) Regional Languages.	

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2	An amount of Rs. 48,03,000/- has been released to NFDC for making films		
		ii. One 15 minutes film with variations of (five minutes and one minute) for on campus screening and for use in the meetings/ seminars/ symposia/conferences, with dubbing in Nine Regional Languages (Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Kannada, Marathi, Oriya, Assamese, Gujarati & Bengali).	
		iii. One 25 minutes Telefilm to be produced on the campus of a university by taking interviews of the teachers, students etc., inside and outside the University campus.	
3	An amount of Rs. 1,49,76,828/- has been released to DAVP for	For broadcasting jingles of 30 seconds each on FM Channels.	
	nationwide FM Radio		
4.	An amount of Rs. 50,00,000/-has been released to DAVP for printing and mailing the 1,35,000 posters on Anti-Ragging.	Printing and mailing of the 1,35,000 posters on Anti-Ragging, is under progress.	
5.	An amount of Rs. 79,98,789/- has been released to Prasar Bharti for broadcasting on nationwide All India Radio.	Broadcasting on nationwide All India Radio i.e. FM Rainbow, FM Gold Vividh Bharti.	

The UGC had also announced a competition for students, teachers and general public for wide publicity and promotion of Anti-Ragging measures, for the following activities:-

i. Poster designing on ragging & its consequences.

ii. Logo/Icon/Slogan designing for anti-ragging.

iii. Essay competition on ragging and its effects on the students and the society at large.

In response to the above, UGC received the following entries:-

i.	Posters		107
ii.	Logo	-	75
iii.	Slogans	_	84
iv.	Essays	-	130

The Committee endorsed selection of 3 Posters, 2 Logos and 3 Slogans to be used henceforth for promoting anti-ragging measures.

Item No. 4 To report the matter related to Mobile Application on Anti-Ragging.

The Chairman and Members expressed happiness over the UGC's initiative of developing the Anti-Ragging Mobile Application for filing complaints of ragging, filing the undertaking and for calling the Toll Free Anti-Ragging Helpline Number. The Chairman and the Members desired more and more use of such technology.

Item No. 5 Status of Monitoring by UGC with Councils

The Chairman and the Members praised the UGC for conducting the Inter-Council Meeting & Coordination Committee meeting twice a year for taking effective measures for curbing the menace of ragging in higher educational institutions.

It was desired that all Regulatory Authorities should spend as much funds as possible on Media Campaigning on Anti-ragging. For this the Committee desired that all instruments of Media and all kinds of Media, including Social Media, should be used.

The Committee Members desired immediate installation of CCTV cameras at all vital and sensitive locations. It was desired that Workshops on Anti-ragging be organized by all concerned. It was also desired that all organizations should ensure in every manner preventive and pro-active steps on Anti-Ragging.

The following submissions were made by various Councils:-

- (a) Submission by Indian Nursing Council: Dr. Asha Sharma, Vice President, INC, informed Committee that there are no ragging cases in Nursing Colleges. She also informed that INC has allocated some budget for Anti-Ragging publicity. The Committee requested INC to frame its own Anti-Ragging regulations.
- (b) Submission by Dental Council of India: Dr. S.K. Katharia, Member, DCI, informed the Committee that DCI has Anti-Ragging regulations. They have also organized many workshops for awareness on Anti-Ragging and have given wide publicity on newspapers on anti-ragging.

They have also appointed a Nodal Officer for looking into Ragging cases. if any.

- (c) Submission by Pharmacy Council of India: Shri Anil Mittal, Deputy Secretary, representing PCI, informed that PCI have appointed a Nodal Officer for looking into ragging cases. They have framed Anti-Ragging regulations and Anti-Ragging Committees have been constituted in the pharmacy Colleges. They have also made Budget provision for Anti-Ragging publicity.
- (d) Submission by Medical Council of India: Dr. Ajay Kumar with other two Officers represented MCI in the meeting. Dr. Ajay Kumar informed that the Council has anti-ragging regulations and an Anti-Ragging helpline. It has also issued circulars to all Medical Colleges for strict compliance of these regulations. MCI is monitoring cases of ragging regularly. There is Anti-Ragging Committee in each Medical College. An Oversight Committee appointed by the Hon, Supreme Court headed by Former CJI, Mr. Justice Lodha, has been constituted to look after all the functions of the MCI. A list of 09 pending cases of ragging was handed over during the meeting to MCI for taking action. The Committee directed MCI to arrange a formal meeting of the Committee with the Executive Committee of the MCI to discuss status of anti-ragging measures taken by the MCI.
- (e) Submission by AICTE: Shri Narender Singh representing AICTE referred to actions taken by AICTE to control ragging. He informed that AICTE has anti-ragging regulations and a Anti-Ragging Committee. AICTE gives wide publicity in newspapers about Anti-Ragging measures and they take stringent action against the Institutions/ Colleges where ragging cases are reported. They spend around 2-3 crores each year on Anti-Ragging activities. This year only 06 cases of ragging have been reported so far. The Committee appreciated the action taken by AICTE to control the menace of ragging.

Item No. 6 Status of the Project titled "Psychosocial Study of Ragging in Selected Educational Institutions in India."

UGC gave a copy of report of the Committee to all the members. The Committee also requested UGC to arrange for a presentation of the Committee of Mental and Community Health Professionals Report by Prof. Mohan Rao, JNU, New Delhi, at the next meeting of the Committee.

Item No. 7 Any other item with permission of the Chairman

DS (HE) requested all the Regulatory Bodies to appoint Nodal Officer and to update their websites. He also requested regulatory bodies to set aside some funds for Anti-Ragging publicity. He specifically told MCI to take effective steps to

control the menace of ragging in Medical Colleges. The Committee agreed that there were huge problems of ragging in Medical Colleges.

The Committee recommended that meeting of Anti-Ragging Monitoring Committee be held half yearly. The Committee also recommended that one more member (preferably female member) may be nominated on the Committee to substitute of Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy. The Committee also directed UGC to prepare a note regarding action taken by UGC/MHRD to curb the menace of ragging till date for submission to the Attorney General of India for apprising the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

The Committee desired that the Anti-ragging Monitoring Agency should identify the institutions which were lagging behind in Anti-ragging and send a complete list to UGC/MHRD. The Committee desired that this may be done early. Incidentally Prof. Raj Kachroo of the agency mentioned about the following institutions: BHU, MANIT, Bhopal, and Indian Maritime University. Prof. Kachroo also mentioned that the Agency was frequently sending mails to all concerned on Anti-ragging and also using social media for Anti-ragging.

It was also desired that the Anti-ragging Monitoring Agency should review and update its information along with various formats from time to time. The Committee noted some spelling mistakes in the Website of the Agency. The Committee also desired that in case a complaint was closed reasons for closure along with the satisfaction level of the student/parent/guardian should also be clearly mentioned before the closure of the case.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.
