## **ORDINANCE ON**

## STUDENTS' DISCIPLINE

## (Under Section 22 (g) of SVSU Act)

- 1. Discipline includes the observance of good conduct and orderly behaviour by the students of the University;
- 2. The following and such other Rules as framed by the University from time to time shall strictly be observed by the students of the University;
  - 2.1 Every student of the University shall maintain discipline and consider it his/her duty to behave decently at all places;
  - 2.2 No student shall visit places or areas declared by the University as "Out of Bounds" for the students;
  - 2.3 Every student shall always carry his/her Identity Card issued by the competent authority of the university;
  - 2.4 Every student, who has been issued the Identity Card, shall have to produce or surrender the Identity Card, as and when required by the University;
  - 2.5 Any Student found guilty of impersonation or of giving a false name shall be liable to disciplinary action;
  - 2.6 The loss of the Identity Card, whenever it occurs, shall immediately be reported in writing to the competent authority of the university and also to the local Police Station.
  - 2.7 If a student is found to be continuously absent from classes without information for a period of 15 days in one or more classes, his/her name shall be struck off the rolls. He/she may, however, be readmitted within the next fortnight by the university on payment of the prescribed readmission fee etc. He/she will not be readmitted beyond the prescribed period.

## 3. **Indiscipline shall include:**

- 3.1 Irregularity in attendance, persistent idleness or negligence or indifference towards the work assigned;
- 3.2 Causing disturbance to a Class or the Office or the Library, the Auditorium and the Play Ground etc.;
- 3.3 Disobeying the instructions of teachers or the authorities;
- 3.4 Misconduct or misbehaviour of any nature at the time of elections to the student bodies or at meetings or during curricular or extra-curricular activities of the University;
- 3.5 Misconduct or misbehaviour of any nature at the Examination Centre;
- 3.6 Misconduct or misbehaviour of any nature towards a teacher or any employee of the University or any visitor to the University;
- 3.7 Causing damage, spoiling or disfiguring to the property/equipment of the University;
- 3.8 Inciting others to do any of the aforesaid acts;
- 3.9 Giving publicity to misleading accounts or rumour amongst the students;
- 3.10 Mischief, misbehaviour and/or nuisance committed by the residents of the hostels:
- 3.11 Visiting places or areas declared as 'Out of Bounds' for the students;
- 3.12 Not carrying the Identity Cards issued by the competent authority;
- 3.13 Refusing to produce or surrender the Identity Card as and when required by Proctorial and other Staff of the University;
- 3.14 Any act and form of sexual harassment, ragging or discrimination on the basis of caste, category, religion, race etc.;
- 3.15 Engaging in unlawful activities that includes membership of banned organizations, organizing meetings and processions without due permission of the competent authorities; and

- 3.16 Any other conduct anywhere which is considered to be unbecoming of a student.
- 4. Students found guilty of breach of discipline shall be liable to such punishment, as prescribed below:
  - (1) Fine; (2) Campus Ban; (3) Expulsion; and (4) Rustication.

However, no such punishment shall be imposed on an erring student unless he/she is given a fair chance to defend himself/herself. This shall not preclude the Vice-Chancellor from suspending an erring student during the pendency of disciplinary proceedings against him/her.

- 5. All powers relating to discipline and disciplinary action in relation to the student shall vest with the Vice-Chancellor. However, the Vice-Chancellor may delegate all or any of his powers as he/she deemed proper to the competent authority or to the Discipline Committee as the case may be or any functionary of the University.
- 6. (i) Without prejudice to any provision in the Act or Statute, there shall be a Discipline Committee comprising of the following members:
  - (1) Dean Students' Welfare (DSW) Chairman.
  - (2) Two Deans of the Faculty to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.
  - (3) Dean and Head of the concerned Faculty and the Department/Centre.
  - (4) Chief Warden and the Warden of the concerned hostel.
  - (5) Proctor- Member Secretary
  - (i) Subject to any powers conferred by the Act and the Statute on the Vice-Chancellor, the Committee shall take cognizance of all matters relating to discipline and proper standards of behaviour of the students of the University and shall have the powers to punish the guilty as it deems appropriate.
  - (ii) The said Committee shall, make such Rules as it deemed fit for the performance of its functions and these Rules and any other Orders under them shall be binding on all the students of the University.
  - (iii) The recommendations of the Discipline Committee shall be submitted to the Vice-Chancellor whose decision will be final and binding. However, the Vice-

- Chancellor, if he/she is of the opinion that the case merits' review, may refer the case back to the Discipline Committee for reconsideration.
- (iv) Appeal against the decision may be submitted to the Vice-Chancellor who may refer the same to the Discipline Committee for their reconsideration and the decision taken by the Vice-Chancellor on appeal shall be final and binding.
- (v) Half of the total members shall constitute the quorum for a meeting of the said Committee.