

ORDINANCE ON
PROHIBITION OF RAGGING

(Under Section 24 (k) of SVSU Act)

To provide for prohibition of ragging in the Shri Vishwakarma Skill University, its maintained institutions and educational institutions affiliated to it and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

1. This Ordinance may be called the University Prohibition of ragging in Educational Institution Ordinance, 2021.
2. In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires, -
 - (a) “Committee” means an anti-ragging Committee constituted under section 5 of the Ordinance.
 - (b) “Educational Institute” means a school, college, university or an institute and its constitution unit and includes canteen, hostel or transport provided by school, college or university, whether within or outside the premises;
 - (c) “Government” means the State Government of Haryana.
 - (d) “Head” means the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Principal of the affiliated or constituent College or Principle/Headmaster of the School, as the case may be head of an institution or Director of an educational institute by whatever name called;
 - (e) “Institution” means general, skill, technical and professional institute and includes institution imparting education and research facilities;
 - (f) “Ragging” means doing an act which causes or is likely to cause insult or annoyance or fear or apprehension or threat of intimidation or outrage of the modesty or injury to a student and includes the following acts, namely: -
 - (i) abetment to ragging;
 - (ii) criminal conspiracy to ragging;
 - (iii) unlawful assembly and rioting while ragging;
 - (iv) public nuisance created during ragging;
 - (v) verbal abuse and aggression, indecent gestures and obscene behaviour;
 - (vi) outraging the modesty;

- (vii) injury to body, causing hurt or grievous hurt;
- (viii) wrongful restraint;
- (ix) wrongful confinement;
- (x) use of criminal force;
- (xi) assault as well as sexual offence;
- (xii) extortion;
- (xii) trespass;
- (xiv) offence against property;
- (xv) criminal intimidation;
- (xvi) physical or psychological humiliation;
- (xvii) defamation or threat to defame;
- (xvii) any type of abuse through electronic media;
- (xix) threat to commit any or all of the above-mentioned offences;

- (g) “State” means the State of Haryana;
- (h) “Student” means any person pursuing education in the University or its affiliated or constituent College/School;
 - (i) “University” means Shri Vishwakarma Skill University, Dudhola, Palwal;

- 3.**
- (a) There shall be a complete prohibition of ragging of a student in the university and all the constituent or affiliated educational institution, in any form and nature;
 - (b) No educational institute shall permit or condone any incident of ragging in any form and shall take all necessary and required measures including but not limited to the provisions of the Ordinance to achieve the objectives of eliminating ragging within the educational institute or outside.
 - (c) No student shall practice ragging in any form, within or outside the premises of an educational institute.
 - (d) All educational institutes shall take action in accordance with the Ordinance against those found guilty of ragging.

4. The Head shall: -

- (a) be overall responsible to stop and prevent ragging and take all necessary preventive measures to prohibit ragging in educational institute and shall ensure that no person practice ragging in any form within or outside the

premises of an educational institution and adopt required measures to achieve the object;

- (b) obtain an undertaking in writing from the students, in case he/she is eighteen years of age or above and from his/her parents/guardian and the student concerned in case he/she is less than eighteen years that he/she shall not attempt, abet or commit ragging inside or outside the educational institution at the time of admission;
 - (c) give full publicity to the provisions of the Ordinance and about the members of the committee along with their mobile numbers etc. by placing the same at prominent places as well as at notice board in the educational institution and also make it a part of prospectus and upload on its website;
 - (d) give full publicity to the punishments to be awarded for ragging through open circulars and suitable posters in the educational institution; and
 - (e) notify any change in the constitution of the committee immediately and shall take necessary action as per clause (iii) above.
- 5.**
- (a) There shall be constituted with immediate effect one or more committee (as per UGC norms) (s) in all educational institutions by the Head, depending upon strength of students, vastness of premises of the educational institution and the number of departments etc.
 - (b) Each committee shall consist of three senior faculty members out of which at least one shall be a woman and senior most amongst them shall be the Chairperson. The committee shall also consist of two representatives from amongst the parents of the students including a woman to be nominated by the Head;

Provided that in case of an educational institution exclusively for boys or girls, all the members may be male or female, as the case may be.
 - (c) The parents of the students nominated in a committee shall hold office for a maximum term of two academic sessions.
- 6.**
- (a) The committee or any member thereof shall have power to inspect any class room, hostel room or any other enclosure where it apprehends that any incident of ragging is being committed or there is apprehension of the same.
 - (b) The committee may take appropriate steps and suggest such measures as deemed necessary to the Head.
 - (c) On receipt of an information by any member of the committee from the Head, a student, parents or any source in writing or through any electronic media that an act of ragging is being committed or there is apprehension of the same, he/she shall intimate the same to the

Chairperson and may conduct raid, if necessary or take other appropriate steps to stop the act of ragging.

- (d) The member or the committee may conduct on the spot inquiry observing a fair and transparent procedure and the principle of natural justice and shall give an adequate opportunity to the victim student and student accused of ragging and other witnesses and may also ask them to produce other documents or witnesses, if necessary, concerning the incident of ragging.
- (e) The committee shall submit the inquiry report to the Head within seventy-two hours of the incident for appropriate action under the ordinance.

Provided that in case an offence is committed under the provisions of Indian Penal Code, 1860 (45 of 1860) and is a cognizable offence, the member shall immediately report the matter to the Head.

- 7. (a) The Head shall examine the report and if satisfied will take appropriate action as per the gravity of offence.
- (b) On receipt of the report of ragging, the Head will direct the committee to make an inquiry and report.
- (c) The committee on receipt of any information concerning any reported incident of ragging, the Head, shall immediately determine if a criminal offence is made out and if so, it either on his/her own motion or through a member of the committee authorized by him/her, proceed to file First Information Report immediately.

Provided that the educational institution shall also continue with its own inquiry and other measures without waiting for action on the part of the police and such remedial action shall be initiated and complete immediately.

- (d) If the Head is not satisfied with the report made by the committee, he/she may, himself/herself, conduct an independent enquiry and pass any appropriate orders in writing, for reasons to be recorded therein.

He/she may also decide to lodge First Information Report (FIR) if an offence is found to have been committed under the Indian Panel Code, 1860 (45 of 1860) and is a Cognizable offence.

- 8. (a) In a proven case of ragging, whether First Information Report (FIR) has been lodged or not, the Head shall impose a punishment of suspension for at least a period of two semesters or one annual academic year, as the case may be, and may also impose any one combination, of penalties as described in (i) to (x) of sub-section (2): -

- (b) Depending upon the nature and gravity of the offence as reported by the committee, the Head may impose any one or combination of the following punishments upon the students(s) found guilty: -
- (i) withholding or withdrawing scholarship or fellowship and other benefits;
 - (ii) forfeiting campus placement opportunities or recommendations;
 - (iii) debarring from appearing in any test or examination or other evaluation process;
 - (iv) withholding of result;
 - (v) debarring from representing the educational institution in any regional, national or international meet, tournament, youth festival etc.
 - (vi) suspension or expulsion from the hostel;
 - (vii) cancellation of admission;
 - (viii) rustication from the educational institution for a period, ranging upto three years;
 - (ix) expulsion from the educational institution and consequent debarring from admission to any other educational institution for a period of three years;
 - (x) imposition of fine up to thirty-five thousand rupees.

- 9.** The Head shall ensure that there is no contravention of the provisions of this Ordinance or direction or order made there under by an educational institution.
- 10.** The provisions of this Ordinance shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the Indian Penal Code 1860 (45 of 1860), the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974), and the provisions of the University Act and other Laws
- 11.** Suitable modification/amendment to be made in this ordinance according to any new/latest regulation notification of UGC and other Regulatory bodies which are relevant to this ordinance.

Annexure 1

SELF DECLARATION BY THE STUDENT

1. I, _____(full name of student with admission/registration/enrolment number) S/o, D/o Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____, having been admitted to _____(name of the institution), have carefully read “ SHRI VISHWAKARMA SKILL UNIVERSITY PROHIBITION OF RAGGING ORDINANCE, 2021” and fully understood the provisions contained in the said Ordinance.
2. I have, in particular, perused clause 2(f) of the Ordinance and am aware as to what constitutes ragging.
3. I have also, in particular, perused clause 8 of the Ordinance and I am fully aware of the penal and administrative action that is liable to be taken against me in case I am found guilty of or abetting ragging, actively or passively, or being part of a conspiracy to promote ragging.
4. I hereby solemnly aver and undertake that:
 - (a) I will not indulge in any behaviour or act that may be constituted as ragging under the Ordinance.
 - (b) I will not participate in or abet or propagate through any act of commission or omission that may be constituted as ragging under the Ordinance.
5. I hereby affirm that, if found guilty of ragging, I am liable for punishment according to Ordinance, without prejudice to any other criminal action that may be taken against me under any penal law or any other law for the time being in force.
6. I hereby declare that I have not been expelled or debarred from admission in any institution in the country or abroad on account of being found guilty of, abetting or being part of a conspiracy to promote, ragging; and further affirm that, in case the declaration is found to be untrue, I am aware that my admission is liable to be cancelled.

Declared this _____day of _____month of _____ 20.....

Signature of the Student

Name

Annexure-2

SELF DECLARAION BY PARENT/GUARDIAN

1. I, Mr./Mrs./Ms _____ (full name of parent/guardian) father/mother/guardian of, _____ (full name of student) _____ Roll Number _____, having been admitted to _____ (course) _____ Institution _____ have carefully read “SHRI VISHWAKARMA SKILL UNIVERSITY PROHIBITION OF RAGGING ORDINANCE, 2021” and fully understood the provisions contained in the said Ordinance.
2. I have, in particular, perused clause 2(f) of the Ordinance and am aware as to what constitutes ragging.
3. I have also, in particular, perused clause 8 of the Ordinance and I am fully aware of the penal and administrative action that is liable to be taken against my ward in case he/she is found guilty of or abetting ragging, actively or passively, or being part of a conspiracy to promote ragging.
4. I hereby solemnly aver and undertake that:
 - (a) My ward will not indulge in any behaviour or act that may be constituted as ragging under the Ordinance.
 - (b) My ward will not participate in or abet or propagate through any act of commission or omission that may be constituted as ragging under the Ordinance.
5. I hereby affirm that, if found guilty of ragging, my ward is liable for punishment according to Ordinance without prejudice to any other criminal action that may be taken against my ward under any penal law or any, law for the time being in force.
6. I hereby declare that my ward has not been expelled or debarred from admission in any institution in the country or abroad on account of being found guilty of, abetting or being part of a conspiracy to promote ragging; and further affirm that, in case the declaration is found to be untrue, the admission of my ward is liable to be cancelled.

Declared this _____ day of _____ month of _____ 20.....

Signature of the Parent/Guardian

Name : _____

Address : _____

Telephone/Mobile No. _____

Email ID _____

Signature of the Student

Name : _____

Address : _____

Telephone/Mobile No. _____

Email ID _____