

PERIYAR UNIVERSITY, SALEM

ANTI RAGGING COMMITTEE REPORT (2017 – 18)

District Level Anti-Ragging Committee, Roc. No. 15230/2014/C3, Dated; 09.06.2017

Meeting was convened by the Salem district collector office on 9.6.2017 at 11.30 a.m. The major things discussed were to create awareness among the students to register complaints against ragging through whatsapp, online, SMS and mainly to display bill boards in the educational institutions/universities, to form the anti ragging committee and to conduct Anti-Ragging Campaign. The University Anti- ragging committees have taken appropriate measures to eradicate anti-ragging in higher education institutions under Periyar University affiliation.

Activities of Anti-Ragging Cell - Intimation by Periyar University to Principal Secretary, PU/R/Anti Ragging/2017; Dated: 30.8.2017

As Per UGC regulations and Higher Education Department, Government of Tamilnadu direction Periyar university have constituted three Committees (Anti- Ragging committee, Anti-Ragging Squad and Anti-Ragging Monitoring Committee) consisting of teaching, non-teaching, students from various departments and their parents to look after anti-ragging in the university campus.

It was stated that the anti ragging committee has not received any complaints from the students of the university departments as well the affiliated colleges and hence the report was submitted with **NIL complaints.**

Curbing the measures of the “Blue Whale Game” in educational institutions. Lt. No. 15884/G1/2017-1; Dated 14.9.2017.

With reference to above letter sent by Department of Higher Education, Govt Tamilnadu was circulated to university departments and affiliated colleges of Periyar University to curb the addiction of **blue whale** killer game. The students counseling centre was vigilantly monitor with the help of students monitors/informers about the sudden changes and behavior of students if found suspicious which must be notified

to the concerned authorities. Also the students were strictly oriented about the demerits of the killer game and other social issues at department level.

An anti-ragging meeting was arranged for department students of Periyar University on 14-July-2017.

UGC D.O letter No.F.1-15/2009 (ARC)pt.III dated 13th Nov 2017 stated the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India order constituted four members committee in the matter of mental and public health professionals circulated among the departments and colleges.

The committee submitted its report entitled "Psychosocial study of Ragging in Selected Educational Institutions in India. The committee recommended organising welcome and orientation programmes at the beginning of every academic session involving the students through which a clear message shall be sent regarding acceptable and unacceptable behaviours. This must include zero tolerance to ragging, sexual harassment and discrimination based on caste, religion ethnicity etc.,

As per committee recommendations Periyar University is keen to curb the ragging and sexual harassment and discrimination of caste, religion, ethnicity for which a week long orientation programme namely Students induction programmes are organised every academic year.

CCTV cameras installed in the university campus for proper surveillance mechanism, Hostel wardens and mentors were organised. For filing complaints of ragging standard operating procedure such as complaints boxes, on-line complaints booking systems were introduced.

For Psychosocial support for the students, Psychology faculty appointed as counselor in the student counseling centre to sensitization/training and Sociology faculty appointed as hostel warden to level the inequalities, prejudice, discrimination, exclusion, harassment and violence. To bring out the students from their physical and mental pressure, university started Fine Arts Club using creative methods such as drama, art, films and other media.

Periyar University must appreciate the huge diversities in terms of ethnicity language, religion sexuality etc., The University is effectively address the diversity related concerns and the social climate of the university attract the students from different parts of the country.

Periyar University is provided an environment where the students learn the values of democratic, mutually respectful relationships, non violent conflict resolution, autonomous and critical thinking, compassion and caring respect for differences, fairness and respect for deliberation on values through holding various civic, environment programmes and activities.

Department of higher Education letter no 11440/A2/2017-1 dated 19.12.2017 to take measures to curb online child sexual abuse materials (CSAM). This communication sent to all the departments and affiliated colleges.

University level Anti-Ragging committee meeting was held on 03/12/2018 chaired by Vice-Chancellor of the university. The agenda of the meeting was to eliminate ragging inside the campus; members of the Anti-Ragging Committee closely monitor the students during break hours. The minutes of meeting and action taken report sent to State Level Anti-Ragging Committee.

The anti-ragging cell has not been received any complaints from the students of the university departments and hence university submitted NIL report.



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