

SUNDARBAN HAZI DESAARAT COLLEGE



Anti-Ragging Policy

“Bullying ends here, education we hold dear!”

The UGC created "UGC Regulations on controlling the menace of ragging in higher educational Institutions, 2009" which were notified on June 17, 2009, in response to the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India's decision in civil Appeal No. 887/2009 on May 8, 2009, Sundarban Hazi Desarat College has created an Anti-Ragging Cell.

The entire act of Ragging is against human rights. Anyone found guilty of ragging and/or aiding ragging, whether actively or passively, or being a part of a conspiracy to promote ragging, is liable to be punished in accordance with UGC Regulations 2009 as well as under the provisions of any penal law currently in effect. Ragging is completely prohibited at Sundarban Hazi Desarat College, Pathankhali, Gosaba, inside and/or outside the campus.

The college makes sure to provide the freshmen with a friendly and inviting environment. The Institute established the committee listed below in accordance with UGC Regulation 2009 to accomplish this goal.

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Objective

To eradicate ragging in all its forms from the college by making it illegal, preventing it from happening by adhering to these Regulations' provisions, and punishing those who engage in it in accordance with these Regulations and the relevant law currently in effect.

Definition of Ragging

UGC REGULATIONS ON CURBING THE MENACE OF RAGGING IN HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, 2009

Clause 3

- Misconduct of any student either in spoken or written form or any action that has the effect of harming others.
- Indulging in undisciplined activities that cause physical or psychological harm or fear or apprehension
- Asking others to do things that they normally will not do and causes a sense of shame or emotional embarrassment.
- Any act that disrupts the others academic activity by any senior student
- Financial extortion or forceful monetary burden on a fresher or any other student.
- Any act of physical abuse including sexual, homosexual assaults, stripping of clothes, forcing lewd acts and gestures causing physical and mental torture.
- Any act of abuse by spoken words, emails, posts, public insults to derive sadistic pleasure.
- Any act that affects the mental health and self-confidence of any student with or without an intent to derive sadistic pleasure or priority over others.

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Ragging, as defined by the Honourable Supreme Court of India in its landmark judgment in 2001, is

“Any disorderly conduct whether by words spoken or written or by an act which has the effect of teasing, treating or handling with rudeness any other student, indulging in rowdy or undisciplined activities which causes or is likely to cause annoyance, hardship or psychological harm or to raise fear or apprehension thereof in a fresher or a junior student or asking the students to do any act or perform something which such student will not in the ordinary course and which has the effect of causing or generating a sense of shame or embarrassment so as to adversely affect the physique or psyche of a fresher or a junior student.”

Measures for Prohibition of Ragging

1. Ragging is prohibited in all forms in the institution, and the College shall strictly abide by the provisions of any Act of the Central Government and the State Governments, if any, that may be enacted and/or currently be in effect. This includes rape, other crimes against women, and mistreatment of people who are SC/ST.
2. All areas of the College, including its departments, constituent units, and facilities (academic, Hostel, sports, canteen, etc.), are completely free of ragging in any form.
3. The College will punish anyone who violate its policies harshly.

Instruction to Students

1. You are not required to participate in ragging in any way.
2. You don't have to compromise on your self-respect and dignity.
3. You can notify the appropriate authorities about occurrences of ragging.
4. You can get in touch with the Principal or any member of the college's anti-ragging squad or committee.

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5. The college must allow students to use communication tools (landlines and mobile phones) to ask for assistance.
6. If the College's investigation leaves you unsatisfied, you can file a First Information Report (FIR) with the local police and file a complaint with the civil authorities as well.
7. The college is in any case required to file FIR if your parents or you are not satisfied with the action taken against those who 'ragged' you.
8. Your complaint can be oral or written and would be treated by the authorities in strict confidence.
9. Take active part in all institutional activities intended to end ragging on campus.

Procedure

1. Students are required to give a declaration along with their guardians at the time of admission that they will not engage in ragging in any form
2. The students are informed about the policies and punishments of ragging at the Orientation Programme at the beginning of the Academic Session.
3. The Anti Ragging Squad of the College undertakes periodic visits to the Hostel premises to take cognizance of any such incident if such may occur.
4. Any instance of Ragging, if found are reported to the Anti-Ragging Committee of the College, who as per the policy of the institution, may seek to recommend one or more than one of the following punishments.

Punishments For Ragging

1. The college administration is required to file a FIR with the local police for each instance of ragging. Additionally, any one of the following penalties, individually or in combination, may be imposed:

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2. Admission cancellation.
3. suspension from class attendance.
4. denying/removing fellowships, scholarships, and other benefits.
5. denying the person, the right to participate in any test, examination, or other evaluation process.
6. Refusing to represent the College in any youth festival, competition, or regional, national, or worldwide meet, etc.
7. Expulsion or suspension from the Hostel.
8. a suspension from the College for a time frame of one to six semesters.
9. expulsion from the College.
10. Collective punishment: When the persons committing or abetting the crime of ragging are not identified, the institution shall resort to collective punishment as a deterrent to ensure community pressure on the potential raggers.

The policy is adopted this day, that is, 02-06-2017, replacing the earlier practices of the institute in matters related to ragging.

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