

**THE TAMIL NADU DR. M.G.R. MEDICAL UNIVERSITY, CHENNAI-32**  
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Sub: Examination Wing – The Tamil Nadu Dr.M.G.R  
Medical University – Violation of Anti-Ragging  
Declaration and Hostel Regulations – Suspension  
of Students from College – Clarification – Regarding.

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Recently, it came to our notice that some of the Medical Institutions have issued an order of suspension and suspended their students for a specific period towards violation of Anti-Ragging Declaration and Hostel Regulations based on the report of the Anti-Ragging Committee. The relevant Medical Council of India (Prevention and Prohibition of Ragging in Medical Colleges / Institutions) Regulations 2009 are extracted hereunder:-

**“ 3.3 Ragging includes the following:**

**Any conduct whether by words spoken or written or by an act which has the effect of harassing, 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 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. The conduct includes but is not restricted to any act by a senior student that prevent, disrupts or disturbs the regular academic activity of any other student or a fresher; exploiting the services of a fresher, or any other students for completing the academic tasks assigned to an individual or a group of students, any act of financial extortion or forceful expenditure burden put on a fresher on any other student by students, any act of physical abuse including all variants of it: sexual abuse, homosexual assaults, stripping, forcing obscene and lewd acts, gestures, causing bodily harm or any other danger to health or person any act or abuse by spoken words, emails, post public insults which would also include deriving perverted pleasure, vicarious or sadistic thrill from activity or passively participating in the discomfiture to fresher or any other students; any act that affects the mental health and self confidence of a fresher or any other student with or without an intent to derive a sadistic pleasure or showing off power authority or superiority by a student over any fresher or any other student.**

**Any act of physical or mental abuse (including bullying and exclusion) targeted at another student (fresher or otherwise) on the ground of colour, race, religion, caste, ethnicity, gender (including transgender) sexual orientation, appearance, nationality, regional origins, linguistic identity, place of birth, place of residence or economic background.**

**8. Awardable Punishments:-**

**8.1. At the Medical College / Institutions Level:**

Depending upon the nature and gravity of the offence as established by the Anti-Ragging Committee of the institution, the possible punishments for those found guilty of ragging at the institution level shall be any one or any combination of the following:-

**8.1.1 Suspension from attending classes and academic privileges.**

**8.1.2 Withholding / withdrawing scholarship/ fellowship and other benefits.**

**8.1.3 Debarring from appearing in any test / examination or other evaluation process.**

**8.1.4 Withholding results**

**8.1.5 Debarring from representing the institution in any regional, national or international meet, tournament, youth festival, etc.,**

**8.1.6 Suspension / expulsion from the hostel**

**8.1.7 Cancellation of admission**

**8.1.8 Rustication from the institution for period ranging from 1 to 4 semesters.**

**8.1.9 Expulsion from the institution and consequent debarring from admission to any other institution for a specific period**

**8.1.10 Fine of Rs.25,000/- and Rs.1 Lakh.**

**8.1.11 Collective Punishment: When the persons committing or abetting the crime of ragging are not identified, the institution shall resort to collective punishment.**

**8.2. Penal consequences for the heads of the institutions/ administration of the institution who do not take timely steps in the prevention of ragging and punishing those who rag.**

The authorities of the institution particularly the Head of the institution, shall be responsible to ensure that no incident of ragging takes place in the institution. In case any incident of ragging takes place, the Head shall take prompt and appropriate action against the person (s) whose dereliction of duty lead to the incident. The authority designated to appoint the Head shall, in its turn, take prompt and appropriate action against the Head.

**In addition to penal consequences, departmental enquiries be initiated against such heads institutions/ members of the administration /faculty members/ non-teaching staff, who display an apathetic or insensitive attitude towards complaints of ragging."**

As per the above punishment provision of N.M.C., the Head of all the medical institutions have to issue the suspension order by clearly mentioning the specific punishment provision against their candidates. However, it is noticed that some of the Head of the concerned medical institutions have failed to mention the above punishment provision of N.M.C., in the suspension order. Therefore, the University is facing difficulties in identifying whether the said candidates have been debarred from appearing any test / examinations University examinations or not?

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In view of the above, all the Head of the Medical institutions are hereby directed to strictly follow the above punishment provisions of National Medical Commission, New Delhi and mention the specific punishment provision in the suspension order issued to their candidates. Further, the report of the Anti-Ragging Committee, order of suspension and details of I.A / attendance of the said students should be forwarded to the University immediately so as to take further course of action by this University. Otherwise the University will take appropriate action against the person (s) whose dereliction of duty as per 8.2 of the above Regulations of National Medical Commission, New Delhi.

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