



VIKRAMA SIMHAPURI UNIVERSITY

Nellore – 524 324, Andhra Pradesh, India

Anti-Ragging Policy

Policy Statement:

Vikrama Simhapuri University, Nellore, in accordance with the guidelines of UGC, A.P Prohibition of Ragging Act, 1997 and also in adherence to the judgments of the APEX court formulated a policy to curb ragging and act stringently against those who violate as per the administrative and legal procedures.

What is Ragging?

1. Any disorderly conduct whether by words spoken or written or by an act which has the effect of teasing, treating or handling with rudeness a fresher or a junior student.
2. Indulging in rowdy or undisciplined activities which causes or is likely to cause annoyance, hardship or Psychological harm or to raise fear or apprehension there of in a fresher or a junior student.
3. 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 institution devised a mechanism to deal with ragging menace and a system has also been developed for the purpose of preventing the acts of ragging. The following are certain steps in place to avoid incidents of ragging:

1. The University's handbook to the students elaborates necessary information regarding punishments in the event of indulging in ragging.
2. Undertaking will be obtained from the students and the parent. The student will be held responsible for any violation of the provisions of law pertaining to ragging and they will be liable for legal prosecution in case of violation.
3. The Principal (convenor) appoints Anti-ragging squads consisting of all the heads of at least three of Departments every year who visit the hostels and campus (day and night times) to check and prevent activities of ragging if any. Students of final year are also accommodated in the Anti-Ragging committee and their assistance is sought if required to identify the troubleshooters.

4. The Vikrama Simhapuri University prominently displays posters which create awareness about Anti-ragging and provides telephone numbers of University monitoring cell on ragging and police officials to contact in case of any incident of ragging.
5. The Chief warden and Deputy wardens regularly visit the hostels and counsel the students about anti- ragging besides creating the confidence and sense of security among the students.
6. The Heads / Coordinators of the respective departments counsel the students and advise the newly joined students not to hesitate to bring to their notice any grievances on ragging.
7. CCTV's are installed at strategic points for surveillance and a complaint boxes are placed in all the blocks enabling the students to drop letters of complaint on ragging.
8. The court judgments and information related to punishments levied for the violators of law in respect of ragging are made available in the website of the University.
9. The support of the district officials and the parents is sought for effective implementation of steps to check ragging.

Awareness Programs and Initiatives

1. Besides the information provided in the University Handbook, the officials and teachers regularly interact with the students to create awareness about Anti- ragging laws and advise them to stay away from the evil and bring to their notice any incident/incidents to promptly act as per the established procedures and laws in vogue.
2. Senior police officials and judicial officers are invited to address and educate the students about legal aspects related to ragging.

Vigilance

1. The University top officials including the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Principal and Registrar make surprise visits in the campus and also hostels to check incidents if any and also alert the staff.
2. The security officer and personnel will also go around places in and outside the campus to prevent incidents of ragging.

Anti-Ragging Cell

Adhering to the guidelines of regulatory bodies and court directions Anti-Ragging Cell has been constituted with the following composition:

1.	Principal, Vikrama Simhapuri University College, Nellore	Convener
2.	Wardens, University Hostels(Both Men & Women)	Members
3.	Coordinator, Student Welfare	Member
4.	Student Representatives	Member

The University since its inception has been a ragging free campus. The students and the parents feel secure and the Vikrama Simhapuri University has been vigilant and sensitive in implementing all the required steps in averting incidents of ragging with the support of all the stakeholders and district administration.

The following undertaking has been taken by the student at the time of admission.

LAWS OF THE UNIVERSITY

(Undertaking to be given by all students as required under Rule 3(b) of the Andhra Pradesh Prohibition of Ragging in all Educational Institutions Rules, 2002. Notified as per Section 9 (1) of the Andhra Pradesh Prohibition of Ragging Ad. 1997.

G.O. Ms. No. 67. Higher Education (E.C.-2). dated 31.08.2002).

UNDERTAKING

I, _____ son/daughter of _____

Residing at _____ applicant for admission to the student of the first year / second year of the ----- Degree Course in the Vikrama Simhapuri University College of Nellore during the academic year

200 _____ 200 _____ here by declare that

I am aware of the facts that-

(i) ragging within the premises of the college, hostels and library or anywhere outside the Educational Institutions, is a criminal offence:

(ii) if involved directly or indirectly in committing or abetting ragging, I am liable for one or more of the following punishments to be imposed by the competent Officers/Authorities of the College/University: -

1. Cancellation of admission:
2. Suspension from the institution or classes for limited period:
3. Withholding/withdrawing scholarship/fellowship and other benefits

(contd.)

Debarring from appearing for any test/examination or the revaluation process:

4. With holding of results;
5. Debarring from representing the institution in any event at inter-university, national or international level:
6. Suspension/Expulsion from the hostel
7. Rustication for a period varying from 1 to 2 academic year(s):
8. Expulsion from the institution and consequential debarring from admission to any other institution:
9. Fine with public apology: and also

(iii) The court of Law can award, punishment with imprisonment for a term which may extend from 6 months to life. or fine which may extend from Rs.1.000/- to 50,000/- or with both.

As such I undertake that I shall not indulge myself in any activity of ragging or abetting ragging other students.

Date:

Signature of the Student.

Permanent Address:

HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT

Principal



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MONITORING CELL ON RAGGING

(UGC Regulations on curbing the menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions)

As per the directions of the Honorable Vice-Chancellor of the University, the Monitoring Cell on Ragging to curb ragging in the campus and to take necessary steps and to initiate precautionary measures for prohibition of ragging in the campus for the academic year respectively is constituted.

MONITORING CELL ON RAGGING:

The Anti-Ragging cell with the following administrators are constituted by the Honorable Vice-Chancellor for both VSU College, Nellore and VSUPG Center, Kavali

1	The Principal, VSU College, Nellore / The Special Officer, VSUPG Center, Kavali	Convener
2	The Dy. Wardens for Boys	Member
3	The Dy. Wardens for Girls	Member
4	The Student Representative for Boys	Member
5	The Student Representative for Girls	Member

RAGGING COMPLAINT-LETTER BOX COMMITTEE:

(UGC Regulations on curbing the menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions)

Ragging Complaint-Letter Box Committee is constituted by the University with the Senior and active faculty members of various departments of faculty. Letter Box is to be fixed on the wall and collect the letters in the complaint boxes regularly at different places in the VSU College Hostels in both Nellore and Kavali campus until further correspondence.

CORE COMMITTEE TO CHECK AND MONITOR ANTI RAGGING ACTIVITIES:

The committees with specific assignments have been constituted in an academic year to curb the ragging activities and also to bring awareness against the evil effects and serious consequences of indulgence in such nefarious activities on both the University Campus at Nellore and kavali. The committee has the following office bearers identified from the different faculties.

ANTI-RAGGING COMMITTEE:

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| 1. | The Principal / The Special Officer | : Convener |
| 2. | All the Dy. Wardens | : Member |
| 3. | Student Representatives | : Member |

SECRET STUDENT GROUP:

The Committee is responsible to inform the various committees, the Principal / Special Officer, and University Authorities. A secret committee consisting of students will be informing concerned authorities from time to time during the new admission in the campus.

ANTI-RAGGING SQUAD:

To visit the premises of the Hostels, Canteen and other places especially in the late evening and give its report next day. This committee is constituted by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor from time to time during the new admissions in the campus.

Monitoring Body on Ragging: (All HOD's & Principal / Special Officer)	All Head of the Departments are held responsible for instances of ragging in the concerned department and in the Hostels. Accordingly, they should take necessary steps in consultation with the members of the faculty.
Hostel Committee for Anti: Ragging	All Deputy Wardens & some Non Teaching Staff & Security suggested by Deputy Wardens

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