

RAGGING MEANS

What is Ragging?

The Supreme Court Of India has defined ragging as –

"Ragging 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 student, indulging in rowdy or undisciplined activities which cause or are likely to cause annoyance, hardship or psychological harm or to raise fear or apprehension thereof in a fresher or a junior student and which has the effect of causing or generating a sense of shame or embarrassment so as to adversely affect the psyche of a fresher or a junior student".

- ▶ In simpler terms, Ragging is a systematic human rights abuse practiced by the seniors on the freshers so as to exert their dominance over the juniors.

Where has Ragging come from?

- ▶ The ragging problem is a legacy of the **British**, who imported the practice to India from elite public schools back home.
- ▶ But while experts say extreme forms of hazing have all but disappeared in Britain, they continue in India and other Asian countries

Countries affected by Ragging -

- ▶ USA
- ▶ India
- ▶ Sri Lanka



What is Ragging?

- ❖ Can result in physical injury due to beating, hitting with the help of objects, or due to tasks performed against a person's will.
- ❖ Psychological fear due to intense fear.
- ❖ It is an abuse of human rights.
- ❖ Can lead to forceful initiation on alcohol and drugs.
- ❖ Sometimes, people are so affected by ragging, that they tend to drop out of college.
- ❖ It leads to mob mentality and mindset.
- ❖ Can also result in deaths

The Evil of Ragging

- ▶ *“Well, their first months in IIT were traumatic to say the least. They would cry in front of me. They couldn't take in the humiliation of ragging. The humiliation of being stripped totally naked and being made to run around the IIT Delhi campus... The engineering and medical colleges of India are the havens of the worst possible ragging in this country.”*
 - ▶ *-Management Guru : Arindam Chaudary*

Myths and Facts of Ragging

MYTHS

Ragging makes a student bold and prepares us for the difficult circumstances in life. It makes us strong.

Ragging helps in breaking the ice between the seniors and freshers. It helps in their interaction and developing friendship between them.

Ragging generates a feeling of unity and Oneness.

FACTS

Boldness as instilled by ragging is a weak acceptance of fate by victims. It teaches us how to be exploited and mutely, non-resistively accept it.

Ragging is an archaic method of interaction with several harmful effects. Today with advance psychological science there are many other healthy ways of interaction which are more effective and without any human rights abuse.

Ragging divides the students on the lines of caste, region, class etc. It sets mob mentality in the students.

The Psychology Behind Ragging

- ▶ Discrimination based on caste, region, language, class etc plays a vital role in influencing it, especially in small cities and towns.
- ▶ Ragging is used as a measuring rod to test the courage of the seniors. Many seniors who are reluctant to rag, finally succumb to peer pressure. Many seniors rag just to stay in their group of friends.
- ▶ In many instances it starts as a healthy interaction but due to adrenaline rush and excitement in the group, the seniors get carried away and ragging turns ugly.
- ▶ Students consider ragging as an old ritual having social acceptance.

The Anti-Ragging Act

- ▶ **Indian Penal Code - Punishment under the following IPC sections**
 - ▶ 294 – Obscene acts and songs
 - ▶ 323 – punishment for voluntarily causing hurt
 - ▶ 324 – voluntarily causing hurt by dangerous weapon or means
 - ▶ 325 – punishment for voluntarily causing grievous hurt
 - ▶ 326 – voluntarily causing grievous hurt by dangerous weapon
 - ▶ 339 – Wrongful Restraint
 - ▶ 340 – Wrongful Confinement
 - ▶ 341 – Punishment for Wrongful Restraint
 - ▶ 342 – Punishment for Wrongful Confinement
 - ▶ 506 – Punishment for culpable homicide not amounting to murder

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 - ▶ Suspension from attending classes.
 - ▶ Withholding/withdrawing scholarship/fellowship and other benefits.
 - ▶ Debarring from appearing in any test/examination or other evaluation process.
 - ▶ Withholding results.

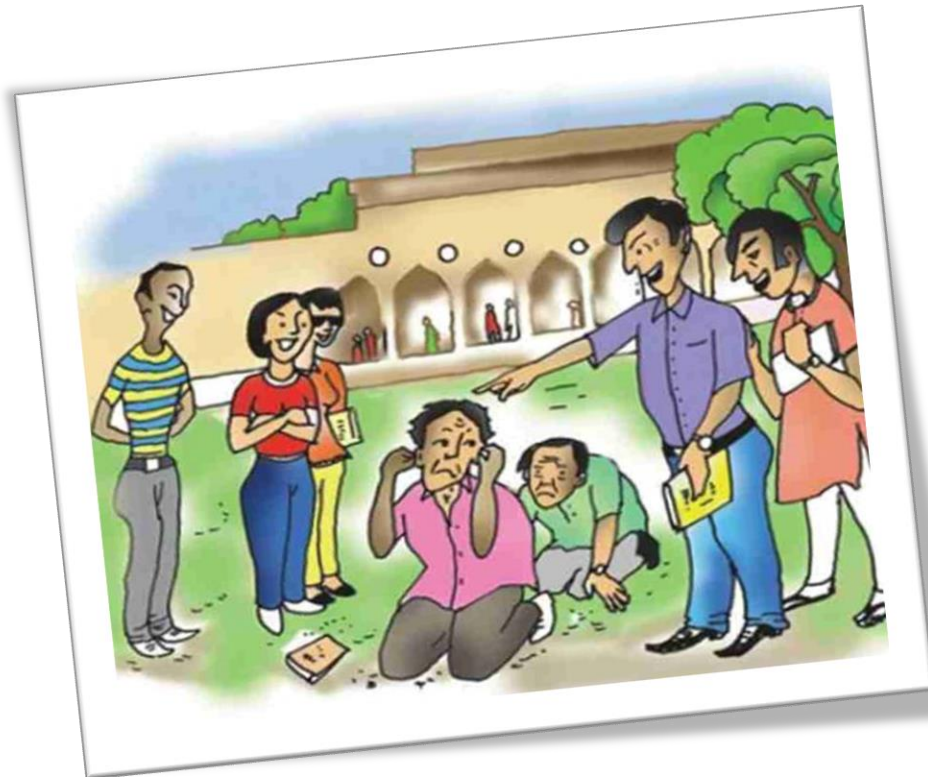
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 - ▶ Debarring from representing the institution in any national or international meet, tournament, youth festival, etc.
 - ▶ Suspension/expulsion from the hostel.
 - ▶ Rustication from the institution for periods varying from 1 to 4 semesters or equivalent period.
 - ▶ Expulsion from the institution and consequent debarring from admission to any other institution.
 - ▶ Fine up to Rs. 25,000/-

National Anti- Ragging Helpline



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**RAGGING IS A VIOLATE OF HUMAN RIGHTS & IT'S A CRIME
RESPECT HUMANISM AND SAY NO TO **RAGGING****

**LET US PUT A STOP,
LET US MAKE A DIFFERENCE,
LET US JOIN HANDS
AND PUT AN END TO THIS EVIL!**

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