

Anti-Ragging Activities Report

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Institution: [PCECS]

Introduction to Anti-Ragging Awareness:

Ragging has been identified as a serious issue across educational institutions, negatively impacting students' mental health and academic performance. To curb this menace and instill a safe, inclusive, and positive environment, our institution organized a series of anti-ragging awareness activities from **August 21 to August 24**. These activities aimed at educating students about the harmful effects of ragging and promoting a culture of zero tolerance towards any form of harassment or bullying. The events also emphasized cyber safety, recognizing that online harassment is an extension of ragging in the digital age.

It not only educated students but also empowered them to take collective responsibility in ensuring a safe and welcoming atmosphere for all. The involvement of law enforcement in the final session further solidified the message that ragging, whether physical or virtual, will not be tolerated under any circumstances.

The week-long activities allowed students to engage with the topic on multiple levels—intellectually, creatively, and emotionally—strengthening the community's resolve to eradicate ragging from campus life. We look forward to continuing such efforts in the future to promote a safe and respectful academic environment.

Details of Anti-Ragging Activities:

Day 1: Student Speeches on Anti-Ragging (August 21)

On August 21, students from B.COM and BA Students came together to share their thoughts on the importance of eliminating ragging from educational institutions. They highlighted personal experiences, the impact of ragging on students' mental health, and the legal implications of participating in such activities. The speeches were aimed at sensitizing the student body, encouraging empathy, mutual respect, and awareness of the consequences of ragging. This session helped set the tone for the week and brought forth a collective commitment towards a ragging-free campus.



Day 2: Poster Making Competition (August 22)

The second day witnessed enthusiastic participation in a **Poster Making Competition** focused on the theme of anti-ragging. Students displayed their creativity by illustrating strong anti-ragging messages, with posters that depicted the dangers of ragging, the importance of unity, and the need for support systems to prevent ragging incidents. The event encouraged students to reflect on their responsibilities towards creating a safe environment for their peers while also showcasing their artistic skills. The posters were displayed on notice board of our department to reinforce the message throughout the week.



Day 3: Anti-Ragging Skit Performance (August 23)

On the third day, students performed a skit on anti-ragging in the presence of Mrs. Ashwini Mehta Ma'am (MH Police Constable), Dr. Smriti Pathak (Principal) and faculty members. The skit portrayed real-life scenarios of ragging and how they could be effectively handled or prevented. The performance emphasized the importance of speaking up, standing together against injustice, and the role of faculty in safeguarding students from such activities. The skit was impactful in driving home the idea that ragging is not just a violation of institutional rules but a breach of moral and social norms.

At the end of the session, our chief guest, Mrs. Ashwini Mehta, appreciated the students for their dedication and talent in delivering a strong anti-ragging message through their skit. Their words of encouragement motivated the participants and reinforced the importance of their efforts in fostering a safe and inclusive campus culture. The performance emphasized the importance of speaking up, standing together against injustice, and the role of faculty in safeguarding students from such activities. The skit was impactful in driving home the idea that ragging is not just a violation of institutional rules but a breach of moral and social norms.



Day 4: Awareness Session with Sub-Inspector (Ravet) Purushottam Chate (August 24)

The final day of the program was marked by an interactive session with **Sub-Inspector Purushottam Chate**, who provided invaluable insights into the legal ramifications of ragging and the steps students can take to protect themselves from such incidents. He also conducted a special segment on cybercrime, drawing parallels between traditional forms of bullying and online harassment. Students were informed about the laws protecting them from both physical and cyber-ragging, and how to seek help when necessary. The session ended with the distribution of certificates to participants, acknowledging their efforts in spreading awareness and their commitment to maintaining a ragging-free campus.



Conclusion:

To draw a conclusion, I would say that the anti-ragging week was a remarkable success, spreading vital awareness about the detrimental effects of ragging and empowering students to stand against it. This achievement was made possible with the dedicated support of all faculty members and the guidance of HOD Ma'am, whose contributions were crucial in ensuring the program's smooth execution. Without their unwavering support and involvement, this initiative would not have been as effective or impactful.

