REPORT

Anti- Ragging measures (2017-2018 batch)

Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Sciences, New Delhi

Background:

College life is very important in every body's life because it not only determines the future of a person but also is a time when most students understand the realities of life. But it has been observed that students do not enjoy their campus life till the end of freshman year. This is because of ragging. 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. The above meaning was given by Supreme Court of India highlighting the seriousness of issue. Ragging which starts as fun for one group of students may have a far reaching influences on the other group of students, family and the Institution itself. The consequences may end up in death.

Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Sciences, New Delhi has been center for excellence in dentistry in India by imparting quality education to students coming to the institute. The institute works towards the welfare of students and at make skilled, disciplined, qualified and confident dentists. To achieve this institute has taken measure to the menace of ragging in the campus.

MEASURES TAKEN BY INSTITUTE:

As per the guidelines of the DCI, UGC and Delhi University the Institute has taken measures since its inception. The revisions are made regularly as and when required according to the guidelines. The measures which are taken for the batch 2017-2018 are mentioned below.

1) Lecture on "Antiragging" by DCI Member :

A Lecture on Antiragging was conducted by **Dr. Anil Chandna**, *Executive Committee Member, Dental Council of India*, New Delhi on 09/11/2017. The program started with welcomed the Chief Guest by pot and sapling to Dr. Anil Chandna by **Dr. Mahesh Verma**, **Director Principal, MAIDS**. The welcome address and the introduction of guest were done by the Director- Principal, MAIDS.



Dr. Anil Chandna highlighted the importance and gravity of this topic. The lecture also threw some lights on the extended definition of Supreme Court of India. The different forms of ragging with various humorous examples were enumerated in the lecture. The consequences of ragging with examples were very well summated and it got etched in the student's mind. The menace of ragging in hostels was highlighted and the measures to be taken were elaborated with examples of similar nature. In case of such grievances where the students have to approach and what action will be taken on offenders was elucidated.



The new anti ragging booklets were released for students and parents were unveiled by the Dr. Anil Chandna and Dr. Mahesh Verma. The booklets were distributed to first year students on the stage by our Chief Guest and Guest of Honour.



The glimpses of measures taken up by the institute for Antiragging were showcased in the discourse. The measures were very well appreciated by the authority and heads. A video of 3 minutes on Antiragging was screened for students to show the ramifications of ragging. The oration program was ended by Vote of thanks by Dr. Sadhana Mate, Chairperson, Antiragging Committee MAIDS, New Delhi.

The program was attended by the Dr. Sangeeta, Talwar, Vice Principal, faculty, Antiragging committee members, students of first, second, third and final year, Interns and MDS students of

1st to 3rd year. The lecture gave more insights to the Antiragging committee for future guidance. The oration was very well taken by the students and agreed on "Ragging is a sick state of mind".

2) Orientation and lectures to the students and parents

The orientation day which is done every year for the students and parents was conducted for the present first year batch in the month on 01/08/2017. This orientation day is combined for the MBBS and BDS students at MAMC Auditorium as they share the common campus. The Dean of Maulana Azad Medical College Dr. S M Ramji and Director-Principal, Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Sciences, Dr. Mahesh Verma along with, Dr. G K Ingle, Director- Prof& Profost and Dr. N S Hadke, Academic officer conducted the proceedings. All the HOD's of Medical and Dental fraternity were present in the august gathering.



The Dr. Ramji welcomed everybody and introduced the set up and expectations from Maulanian and briefed the history, infrastructure and facilities available in the campus. Dr. N S Hadke briefed about the discipline and curriculum to students. Dr. G K Ingle detailed about ragging and its effects. The Director –Principal sensitized and oriented the students towards dentistry, department and student life. There was a briefing of awareness of antiragging rules and regulations in the Institute and made them aware of people whom they can approach in case of

any such instances. Counseling of students and parents is done and in case of any doubts are discussed. An undertaking is signed by the parents and students that they will not indulge in ragging and if found necessary action be taken during their student life.

The students carried message of no ragging and first years to face it and report it if any such events are happening.



3) Fresher's day for the students –

The fresher's day was conducted in the Institute to welcome the newly joined undergraduates and postgraduates and to acquaint them with the faculty and seniors. Dr. Mahesh Verma, Director- Principal welcomed the faculty and students. This event gives the new students an opportunity to show case their talent and to encourage them in extracurricular activities. Mr. Fresher and Miss Fresher were chosen among the BDS 1ST year students and MDS 1st year students.



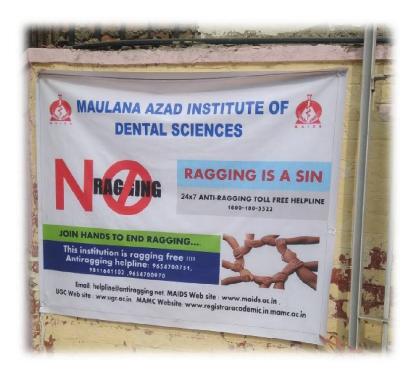
4) Distribution of *antiragging booklets* for the students along with the list of antiragging committee, monitoring committee, antiragging squad, student committee along with their numbers, helpline nos, police helpline nos as well as hostel wardens phone nos. The book is a compendium of the rules, regulations of antiragging and warning for students.

5) Awareness Program By Police Officer-

The Institution had conducted a guest lecture cum interaction session on "*Consequences and Prevention of ragging*" for the students, antiragging committees and all the faculty of the institute are arranged regularly. The lectures are delivered by the Sub Inspector, Chowki Incharge, LNJP, New Delhi. The students and faculty are happy and convinced of having a police officer for this type of events and gives more authenticity to students of the seriousness of the present issue in the Institute. The emphasis on punishment and if get caught the consequences faced by the student and the family coming from an authority was very impactful.

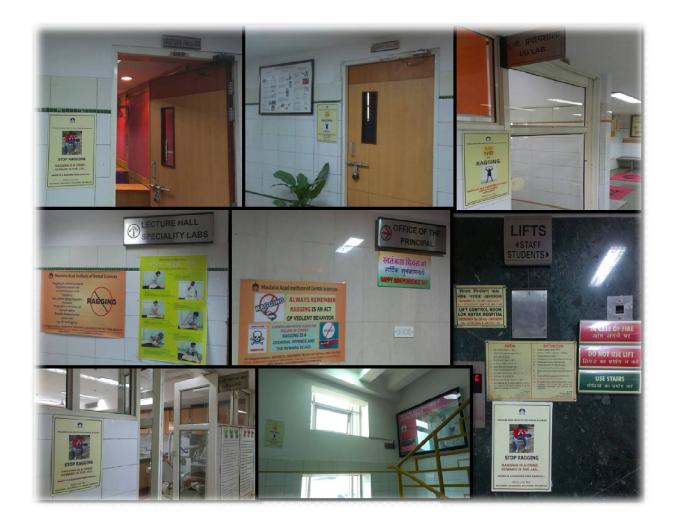
6) *IEC material for antiragging in the Institute*- A banner of 8X6 feet has been displayed outside the college with all the helpline numbers. A total of 25 posters in different form has been put up wherever the students movements are present like the corridors, lift areas, clinic areas, lecture halls, staircases, principal office and administrative areas. Few posters have been put in the hostels too.











7) Anti ragging Committee for the MAIDS students.[List attached]

The antiragging committee comprises of 8 members under the chairperson Dr. Sadhana Mate. The appellate body consists of Dr. Mahesh Verma (Director- Principal, MAIDS) and Dr. Ramji (Dean, MAMC).

8) Institutional monitoring committee.

Each floor (No-7) in the institution has a faculty incharge for monitoring the ragging on students.

9) *Antiragging squad* – consists of 5 faculty who do surprise checks in the hostels, canteens, cafeteria etc where students conglomerate for such activities.

- 10) *Students Antiragging committee* the committee has 8 students both boys and girls representatives of 2nd, 3rd and 4th year final students.
- 11) **Student Welfare Committee & Student Counselor** For the betterment and support of students regular interactions are held with students on regular basis.
- 12) *CCTV cameras* are present at all vital points of the institute where the menace can be initiated.Every floor has a minimum of 5-6 cameras including the lecture halls.
- 13) The newly admitted students are *escorted* to hostels and to their classes in medical college by one of the members of the antiragging committee. In the first year the classes are scheduled such a way that they end half an hour before the other year students and they are escorted out of the college by a faculty member.
- 14) Regular meetings are held by the Antiragging committees to appraise the situations and to steps to be taken. The plans are made for the counseling sessions for students and review the inputs received by the students. No incident of ragging has been reported as per our previous records.
- 15) Online *compliance report* has been submitted and all the needed reports of DCI, UGC and Delhi University have been complied with.
- 16) Students and parents have given *undertaking* while joining the Institute.
- 17) Institute Website having a section on Antiragging.

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