

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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RAGGING IN COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITIES  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government are aware that cases of harassment in the name of ragging in colleges and technical institutions are increasing year-by-year in different parts of the country;
- (b) if so, whether some cases of ragging/deaths of freshers of Technical Colleges and Universities were brought to the notice of the Government through leading newspapers during the current academic year ;
- (c) if so, whether the Government have ordered the concerned managements to enquire into the matter and to take strict action against the culprits;
- (d) whether the Government are considering to formulate a uniform rules to stop the ragging system in the universities/technical institutions;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) to (f): Yes, Sir. The Government has taken note of the problem of ragging in Universities/Colleges. In order to explore the measures for curbing of ragging in Universities & Colleges, the UGC in September, 1999 constituted an expert committee. The report of expert committee was circulated to all universities for necessary action. Besides, the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Civil Petition No.656 of 1998 on curbing the menace of ragging in the educational institutions have been circulated to all the State/UT Governments/universities for strict compliance. The Commission has also invited the attention of the universities to the report of the committee constituted by the I.I.T. Delhi on measures to curb ragging. AICTE has also issued instructions to all the State Secretaries (Technical Education) and Vice-Chancellors of Technical Universities for taking necessary steps to prevent ragging in the Institutes.