



**Bhagini Nivedita College**  
University of Delhi

## Rules & Ordinances

Every student admitted to the college is required to maintain discipline and good conduct in and outside the college during the period of her stay in the college. Ragging in any form is strictly prohibited. Violation of discipline rules and acts of ragging are punishable according to Ordinance XV-B and XV-C of the University. Students are required to read these rules carefully and ensure good conduct and behavior during their stay in the college. Parents are also requested to read these rules carefully and ensure good conduct of their wards at all the times during their stay in the college.

### **Ordinance XV-B: “ Maintenance of Discipline among Students of the University”**

1. All power relating to discipline and disciplinary action are vested in the Vice Chancellor. The Vice-Chancellor may delegate all or such power as he/she deems proper to the Proctor and to such other persons he/she may specify on his behalf. Without prejudice to the generality of power to enforce discipline under the Ordinance, the following shall amount to acts of gross indiscipline.
  - Physical assault, or threat to use physical force, against any member of the teaching and non teaching staff of any Institution/Department and against any student within the University of Delhi
  - Carrying of, use of, or threat to use of any weapons.
  - Any violation of the provisions of the Civil Right Protection Act. 1976.
  - Violation of the status, dignity & honour of student belonging to the scheduled castes

and tribes.

- Any practice-whether verbal or otherwise derogatory of women.
- Any attempt at bribing or corruption in any manner.
- Willful destruction of Institutional property.
- Creating ill-will or intolerance on religious or communal ground.
- Causing disruption in any manner of the academic functioning of the University system.
- Ragging as per Ordinance XV-C

2. Without prejudice to the generality of his/her powers relating to the maintenance of discipline and taking such action in the interest of maintaining discipline as may seem to him appropriate, the Vice-chancellor, may in the exercise for his/her powers aforesaid order or direct that:

- a. Any student or students be expelled; or
- b. Any student or students be, for a stated period, rusticated; or
- c. Be not, for a stated period, admitted to a course or courses of study in college, department or institution of the University; or
- d. Be debarred from taking a University or college or Departmental Examination or Examinations for one or more years; or
- e. That the result of the student or student concerned in the Examination or Examinations in which she or they have appeared be cancelled

3. The Principal of the college, Heads of the Halls, Deans of the Faculties, Heads of Department in the University, the Principal School of Correspondence courses and continuing Education, and Librarian shall have the authority to exercise all such disciplinary power over students in their respective colleges, institutions, faculties and teaching department, in the University as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the Institutions, halls and teaching in the concerned Departments. They may exercise their authority though or delegate authority to such of the teachers in their college, institutions or Departments as they may specify for these purposes.

4. Without prejudice to the powers of the Chancellor and the Proctor as aforesaid, detailed rules of disciplines and proper conduct shall be framed. These rules may be supplemented where necessary, by the Principal of the colleges, Head of Halls, Deans of Faculties and Heads of Teaching Departments in this University. Each student shall be expected to provide herself with a copy of these rules.
5. At the time of admission, every student shall be required to sign declaration that on admission she submits herself to the disciplinary jurisdiction of the Vice-chancellor and the several authorities of the university who may be vested with the authority to exercise discipline under Act the statutes, the ordinances and the rules that have been framed there under by the University.

#### **Ordinance XV-C: “Prohibition of and Punishment for Ragging”**

1. Ragging in any form is strictly prohibited, within the premises of college/Department or Institution and any part of Delhi University as well as on public transport.
2. Any individual or collective act or practice of Ragging constitutes gross indiscipline and shall be dealt with under this Ordinance.
3. Ragging for the purpose of this Ordinance ordinarily means any act conduct or practice by which dominant power or status of senior student is brought to bear on student freshly enrolled or students who are in any way considered junior or inferior by other students and includes individual or collective acts or practice which:
  - i. Involve physical assault or threat to use of physical force.
  - ii. Violate the status, dignity and honour of women students.
  - iii. Violate the status, dignity and honour of students belonging to the scheduled castes and tribes.
  - iv. Expose students to ridicule and contempt and affect their self esteem.  
Entail verbal abuse and aggression, indecent gestures and obscene behavior.

4. The Principle of a college, the Head of the Department or an Institution the authorities of college, or a University Hostel or Halls of Residence shall take immediate action on any information of the occurrence of ragging.
5. Not with standing anything clauses (4) above, the proctor may also suo moto enquire into nay incident of ragging and make a report to Vice-chancellor of the identity of those who have engaged in ragging and the nature of the incident.
6. The Proctor may also submit an initial report establishing the identity of the preparations of ragging and the nature of the ragging incident.
7. If the Principal of a College or Head of the Department of Institution or the Proctor is satisfied that for some reason, to be recorded in writing, it is not reasonably practical to hold accordingly.
8. When the Vice-Chancellor is satisfied that it is not expedient to hold such an enquiry his/her decision shall be final.
9. On the receipt of a report clauses (5) or (6) or a determining by the relevant authority under clauses (7) disclosing the occurrence of ragging incidents described in clause 3(a), (b) and (c) the Vice-chancellor shall direct or order rustication of a student of a student for a specific number of years.
10. The Vice-chancellor may in other cases of ragging order or direct that any student or students be expelled or be not, for a stated period, admitted to a course of study in a college, department examination for one or more years or that the results of the student of students concerned in the examination or examinations which they appeared be cancelled.
11. In case any students who have obtained degree of Delhi University are found guilty under this Ordinance, appropriate action will be taken under practice or incitement

of ragging will also amount to ragging.

12. For the purpose of this ordinance, abetment to ragging whether by way of any act, practice or incitement of ragging will also amount to ragging.

13. All institutions within Delhi University system shall be obliged to carry out instruction/direction issued under this Ordinance and to give aid and assistance to the Vice-chancellor to achieve the effective implementation of the Ordinance. The Principal/Proctorial Board has the right to take action when there is breach of discipline.

### **Ordinance XV-D Sexual Harassment**

“Sexual Harassment” includes any unwelcome sexually determined behavior whether directly or by implication & includes physical contact & advances, a demand or request for sexual favours, sexually-coloured remarks, showing pornography or any other unwelcome physical, verbal or non-verbal conduct of sexual nature. In case of sexual harassment students can complain to the college complaint committee.