Minutes of the Anti Ragging Committee meeting of JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.

Date:06.08.2026 Time:2.30 P.M

Venue: Board Room, JSS Medical College

Members Present:

1. Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa, Vice Chancellor, JSSAHER
2. Dr. B. Manjunatha, Registrar, JSSAHER
3. Dr. Vishal Kumar Gupta, Dean (Academics), JSSAHER
4. Dr. Suma. M.N. Vice Principal (Pre Clinical), JSSMC
5. Dr. Vikram Patil, Vice Principal, JSSMC
6. Dr. Manthappa M, Vice Principal (Clinical), JSSMC
7. Dr. T. M. Pramod Kumar, Principal, JSS College of Pharmacy
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   Sub Inspector of Police, N.R. Police Station, Mysuru-570007.
9. Sri. S.R. Satish Chandra, Administrative Officer, JSS Medical College
10. Dr. M. Renuka, Deputy Controller of Examinations, Prof. of Community Medicine, JSSMC
11. Dr. Vijaya Vageesh, Associate Professor, Dept. of Physiology, JSS Medical College
12. Dr. Ashwini T. S. Professor & HOD Dept of Conservative Dentistry & Endodontics
    JSS Dental College & Hospital
13. Dr. Nitin V. Muralidhar, Professor & Assistant Warden, JSS AHER Hostels
    Dept of Orthodontics, JSS Dental College & Hospital
14. Dr. Priyanka Nitin, Lecturer & Assistant Warden, JSS AHER Hostels
    Dept of Oral Pathology & Microbiology, JSS Dental College & Hospital
15. Dr. J Suresh, Professor & HOD Dept of Pharmacognosy, JSS College of Pharmacy
16. Dr. Lingaraju H.G. Asst. Professor, Dept of Environmental Sciences, JSS AHER
17. Dr. Stavelin Abhinandithe K, Associate Professor Division of Medical Statistics,
    School of Life Sciences, JSS AHER
18. Mr. Vinay A, Assistant Professor, School of Life Science, JSS AHER
19. Mr. Anand, Member (Journalist) LIG- 54 2nd Stage, 3rd Main, Kuvempu Nagar, Mysuru
20. Mr. Kubernath, Security In-charge, M/s Classic Protection force, JSS AHER
21. Dr. Karthik Kanakoor, Member Secretary Chief Warden, JSS MC Hostels, JSS AHER
22. Dr. Rithvik S. Kashyap, 9611314087 rithvikskashyap@jssuni.edu.in Invited member
    Associate Professor and Head, Department of Clinical Psychology, JSS MC, Mysuru
23. Dr. K.S Raveesha ,9845481324, Head School of Life Science, Mysuru
24. Dr. Mamatha H. K, Associate Professor & HOD, Dept of Health System Management
    Studies, JSS AHER
25. Dr Veena BM, Assistant Professor and Postgraduate (PG) Coordinator, Department of
    Nutrition and Dietetics, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.

Leave of Absence:

1. Dr. D. Narayanappa, Principal, JSS MC
2. Dr. Dhakshaini M. R, Principal, JSS DCH
3. Sri. Suresh. K.S., Professor, Chief Executive and Former Principal, JSS Law College, New Kanthraj Urs Road Kuvempunagar, Mysuru – 570 009
4. Dr. M.N. Sumana, Professor, Dept of Microbiology, JSS Medical College & Warden, JSS Medical College Girls Hostel
5. Dr. Arun M, Professor, Dept. of Forensic Medicine & Co-Ordinator of Medical Education Unit, JSS Medical College
6. Dr. H.V. Chandrakanth, Prof & HOD, Dept of Forensic Medicine, JSS Medical College
7. Dr. Kishor. M, Professor & HOD, Dept of Psychiatry, JSS Medical College
8. Dr. Satish A M, Prof & Head, Dept of Pharmacology, JSS Medical College
9. Dr. K M Srinath, Prof of General Medicine, JSS Medical College
10. Dr. Arunodaya Siddartha S, Associate Professor, Department of Orthopedics, JSS Medical College
11. Dr. Sandhya D, Associate Professor, Department of ENT, JSS Medical College
12. Dr. Nagashree K.S, Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmacology JSS College of Pharmacy
13. Dr. K.P. Arun, Vice-Principal & Associate Professor, Dept of Pharmacy Practice, JSS College of Pharmacy
14. Dr. Krishnaveni Nagappan, Professor & HOD, Dept of Pharmaceutical Analysis, JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty.
15. Dr. Sujan M.U, Assistant Professor & Coordinator, Dept of Yoga, JSS AHER
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19. Colonel Satinderjit Singh Sandhar, Commanding Officer, # 13, Karnataka Battalion NCC, Mysuru.
20. Dr. Rishabh Kasrija, 2nd Year, MDS Department of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, JSSDCH
21. Dr. Utkarsh, 2nd Year, MDS Department of Conservative Dentistry, JSS Dental College & Hospital
22. Mr. Nikhil K.S, 3rd Sem, MBA Dept of Health System Management Studies, JSS AHER
23. Kum. Charumathi, 4th Year, Pharm 'D', JSS College of Pharmacy Mysuru.
24. Mr. Banuprakash B. Pharm, 4th Year, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru.
25. Mr. Nithin Raj N M, MSc, III Semester Department of Environmental Sciences, JSSAHER, Mysuru.
26. Mr. Vasuki V B, BSc, III Semester Division of Psychology, JSS AHER, Mysuru.
27. Mr. Tholkapiyan A M, 1st Year, M Pharm, Pharmaceutical Quality Assurance, JSS College of Pharmacy Ooty.
28. Ms. Kogilaseethalakshmi, 2nd Year BDS, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru

29. Dr. Rochana Mahesh, 2nd Year, MDS Dept of Orthodontist, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
30. Dr. Ritu B, 2nd Year MDS, Dept of Oral Medicine & Radiology, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
31. Kum. Veekshita N, 3rd Year BDS, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
32. Mr. Akshat Jagannath, 2nd Year MBBS, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
33. Dr. Abhijith Roy, MD, 3rd Year Dept. of Radio Diagnosis, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
34. Dr. Srivani Pallamparthy, MS 3rd Year, Dept. Of OBG, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
35. Dr. Gaganthiya K, MS 2nd Year, Dept. of General Surgery JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
36. Ms Preethi R, MD, 1st Year, Dept. of Microbiology, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
37. Mr. Rohit Prabhakar, 1st Year MBBS, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
38. Mr. Dhruv, 3rd Year, MBBS, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
39. Dr. Lekhashree, MD, 3rd Year, Department of Community Medicine, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
40. Dr. Rakshitha S, MDS, 2nd Year, Department of Periodontology, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
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43. Anjali Kumari, 1st Year, MBBS, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
44. Dr. Nanda Manoranjan, MD, 3rd Year, Department of Forensic Medicine, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
45. Ms. Dhanya T R, MSc, 3rd Year, Department of Biochemistry, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
46. Mr. Chalapathi Reddy A, MSc, 2nd year, Department of Biochemistry, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
47. Mr. Srikanth, 2nd Year BSc, MLTC, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
48. Ms. Shivani. A, MPH, 1st Year School of Public Health, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
49. Kum. Bhavana S Pawar, MSc, Yoga II Sem, Dept of Yoga, JSS AHER, Mysuru.

Warden-in-Charge (Anti-Ragging Committee), Dr Priyanka Nitin welcomed all the members and put forth the following agenda for the meeting

Agenda

1. Review of anti-ragging activities conducted during the previous academic year.
2. Reports from constituent colleges.
3. Discussion on anti-ragging undertakings and compliance requirements.
4. Suggestions and future action plan.

- The Chair emphasized the University's commitment to a zero-tolerance policy on ragging and the importance of fostering a safe and inclusive campus environment. He also stressed the need for the participation of parent representatives residing in Mysuru from the Medical, Pharmacy, Dental, and Life Sciences colleges in future meetings.

- Warden-in-Charge (Anti-Ragging Committee), Dr Priyanka Nitin, then requested new members to introduce themselves and invited representatives from all constituent colleges to present a brief report on the anti-ragging programmes conducted during the previous academic year.

- The representative from JSS Dental College reported that two anti-ragging programmes were conducted during the previous academic year. An anti-ragging awareness programme was organized in August for students of all academic years. Anti-ragging pledges/oaths were administered to all students. In March, an invited expert talk was delivered by a Dental Council of India member, Dr Shiva Sharan as mandated by the regulations, to reinforce awareness regarding prevention of ragging.

- The School of Life Sciences reported the following initiatives: Essay competition was conducted to promote awareness on anti-ragging. Orientation and sensitization of first-year B.Sc. and M.Sc. students and Anti-ragging pledge and undertakings were obtained from students. Regular hostel visits were carried out to educate students and reinforce anti-ragging awareness.

- The Medical College representative informed the committee that anti-ragging awareness is included as part of the induction programme for newly admitted students. Senior students were sensitized during class hours regarding appropriate conduct. Following reports of two minor incidents, additional sensitization sessions were conducted. A future awareness programme has been planned under the "Nasha Mukh Bharat" initiative. A request was made to include Dr. Chandrakant, Member Secretary of the Medical College Anti-Ragging Committee, as a member of the University Anti-Ragging Committee to facilitate better coordination and information sharing. The Chair informed the committee that this proposal had already been planned.

- The Member Secretary, Dr. (Lt Col) Karthik Kanakoor, presented an overview of what constitutes to ragging and measures taken to prevent it. He emphasized that the objective of the committee extended beyond compliance with UGC regulations. The institution is committed to creating a campus where every student feels respected, safe, and welcomed from the very first day. Members were reminded that ragging in any form is a punishable offence and that the University follows a strict Zero Tolerance Policy and reiterated that institutions failing to prevent ragging are also liable for action under the UGC Regulations.

- Members discussed the revised requirement regarding anti-ragging undertakings from students and parents on stamp paper. A suggestion was made to explore the possibility of obtaining the undertaking through an online mode instead of requiring stamp paper, considering that students are already submitting online anti-ragging undertakings. An anti-ragging flying squad roaster was to be prepared and the members were instructed to go after 6 pm and meet the freshers. The police were requested to do regular night patrols between 6pm and 6 am.

- The committee discussed the importance of making the anti-ragging helpline easily accessible to students. It was suggested that during the induction programme, students should save the official anti-ragging helpline number in their mobile phones. Members recommended limiting the number of publicly displayed contact numbers to avoid confusion among students. The committee agreed that the Member Secretary's contact number and the Student Support Cell helpline should serve as the primary contact numbers, with institution-specific contacts available through the respective institutional websites.

- Anti-Ragging Day will be observed on 12 August. Anti-Ragging Week will be observed from 12–18 August. All constituent institutions have already been instructed to organize awareness programmes. Action Taken Reports must be submitted by 31 August through the designated portal. Members also recommended strengthening mental health awareness and counselling programmes in collaboration with psychologists and student support services.

- The committee emphasized the need for a structured annual action plan rather than institution-specific, isolated activities. It was recommended that a University wide annual calendar of anti-ragging activities be prepared. Activities should be conducted at regular intervals throughout the year. Constituent institutions may introduce innovative programmes in addition to the common University plan. The action plan should focus on building student confidence and promoting a safe campus culture beyond the minimum statutory requirements.

- The committee deliberated on the effectiveness of CCTV surveillance. Members observed that CCTV cameras primarily serve as a deterrent against ragging. Continuous 24×7 monitoring of every camera is not feasible and the CCTV footage should be used for verification and investigation whenever incidents are reported. Signboards indicating CCTV surveillance should be prominently displayed. An audit should be conducted to identify vulnerable areas ("dark zones") that are not adequately covered by surveillance systems, and corrective measures should be implemented.

- Members discussed the misuse of the anti-ragging complaint mechanism by senior students posing as freshers to lodge false complaints. The committee emphasized sensitization of both senior and junior students regarding responsible use of the complaint system. Encouraging students to first approach wardens, mentors or faculty before escalating complaints to national authorities, wherever appropriate. The committee reiterated that while the anti-ragging complaint mechanism should remain accessible to all students, misuse of the system must be discouraged. Members stressed the need for appropriate awareness among students regarding responsible use of the complaint mechanism and the legal consequences of filing false complaints.

The Chair directed all constituent institutions to:

- Upload updated Anti-Ragging Committee details with contact information on institutional websites.
- Upload approved minutes of the meeting after confirmation.
- Circulate the presentation and action plan to all Heads of Institutions.

- Ensure mandatory online undertakings by all students and parents annually.
- Display anti-ragging posters in all campuses and hostels.
- Screen UGC anti-ragging awareness videos regularly.
- Ensure all committee members attend future meetings physically wherever feasible. Further he instructed, online meeting links will be provided only to representatives from constituent colleges located on the Ooty campus.
- Strengthen communication through official email, WhatsApp and telephone to ensure effective implementation of anti-ragging measures.
- Induction of resident wardens into anti ragging committee.
- The committee discussed the Government of Karnataka's Drug-Free Campus initiatives in educational institutions to make Karnataka drug-free by 2028 through initiatives such as RISE and BEDA BRO! campaign aimed at creating awareness among Gen Z students.
- The committee further discussed Formulation of a comprehensive Drug-Free Campus Policy, Constitution of a Campus Anti-Drug Committee, Development of institutional guidelines for handling first-time offenders and repeat offenders, Referral of first-time offenders for counselling, de-addiction and parental involvement, Strict disciplinary action, including expulsion, in repeated or serious offences, subject to University regulations.
- Members noted that the Deputy Commissioner of Police and the police team had recently conducted awareness programmes for students and hostel residents regarding drug abuse prevention. The committee appreciated these initiatives and recommended periodic awareness programmes focusing on anti-ragging, mental health, substance abuse prevention and student well-being.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair and all members for their active participation and commitment towards maintaining a safe, inclusive, ragging-free, and drug-free campus.

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