

EXTRACT OF ACT NO.7 OF 1997

An Act to prohibit “Ragging” in educational institutions in the state of Tamilnadu.

SHORT TITLE, EXTENT AND COMMENCEMENT:

1. I) This act may be called in the Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Ragging Act 1997.
II) The rules of act. in the AICTE Lr.No.37-3/legal/aicte/2009, dated 01.07.2009
III) Department of Technical Education Lr.No 58476/TAC/2016,dated: 04.11.2016
IV) It extends to the whole of the State of Tamil Nadu.
V) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 19th day of December 1996.

DEFINITION:

2. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires, 'Ragging' means display of noisy disorderly conduct doing any act which causes or is likely to cause physical or psychological harm or raise apprehension or fear or shame or embarrassment to a student in any educational institution and includes,
 - a) Teasing , abusing of ,playing practical jokes on ,or causing hurt to such students /or
 - b) Asking the student to do any act or perform something which such student will not in the ordinary course, willingly do.

PROHIBITION OF RAGGING:

3. Ragging within or outside any educational institution is prohibited.

PENALTY FOR RAGGING :

4. Whoever directly or indirectly, participates in abets or propagates “ragging” within or outside any educational institution, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years and shall also be liable to fine which may extend to 10000 Rupees.

DISMISSAL OF STUDENT:

5. Any student convicted of an offence under the section 4 shall also be dismissed from the educational institution and such student shall not be admitted in any other educational institution.

SUSPENSION OF STUDENT:

6. 1) Without prejudice to the foregoing provisions, whenever any student complaints of ragging to the Head of an educational institution, or to any other person responsible for management of the educational institution, such head of the educational institution or person responsible for the management educational institution shall enquire into the same immediately and if found true shall suspend the student, who has committed the offence, from the educational institution.

- 2) The decision of the Head of the educational institution or person responsible for the management of educational institution is final if any student has indulged in ragging under sub section no.1

BOARDING RULES:

1. Admission

- Students are admitted to the hostels only after they secure admission to the college.
- A student admitted to a hostel enjoys the privilege only for the particular semester of his / her admission, subject to his / her observing the rules and regulations of the hostel or other rules and regulations that maybe prescribed from time to time. His / Her admission to the hostel in subsequent semesters will depend on his / her good conduct and behaviour in the Hostel, regular attendance at College classes, practicals, tests / exams, etc., regular payment of hostel and mess fees, availability of seats in the hostel in subsequent years and other considerations bearing on the larger interests of the College.

2. ROOMS

- The residents must take the rooms assigned to them and shall not change rooms without the permission of the Sub-Warden. It is the responsibility of the residents to keep their rooms and toilets clean and tidy. Residents are expected to switch off the lights and the fans when not needed or when they go out of their rooms. The waste basket should be kept outside the rooms for disposal.
- Students admitted to the College Hostels can occupy the rooms only during the normal term of the College or during the End Semester Examinations. All the rooms occupied by the students shall be at the disposal of the College Management during all holidays except weekends. Students are expected to leave their rooms open during all such holidays to carry out necessary repairs and white washing. However, inmates may keep their belongings in a separate room in each hostel or in their own cupboards in their respective rooms, except during the summer vacation. The Management reserves the right to open any room that is found locked during holidays and vacations other than weekends.

4. STUDY HOURS

- 6.15 p.m. to 08.30 p.m. will be observed as study hours on all days . During study hours, the doors and windows of the rooms must be kept open. During study hours all the residents must be in their respective rooms. Lights in the rooms must be switched off by 10.30 p.m.

DINING

- Residents are not allowed to enter the kitchen premises. Any complaint or suggestion about food or service must be made directly to the Mess warden / Sub - Warden in-charge of the mess.
- Students should adhere to the following mess timings
BREAKFAST - 7.15 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.
- **LUNCH - 1.30 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.**
- **DINNER - 7.00 p.m. to 8.15 p.m.**
- Food will be served only in the Dining Hall of the respective hostels during the specified timings. Taking the meals to the rooms is strictly prohibited.
- Residents are not allowed to have any guests for normal meals.

DISCIPLINE

1. Residents are expected to maintain strict discipline during their stay in the Hostels. Disorderly behaviour or anti - social activities on the part of the residents either under the influence of any intoxicant or otherwise, and disrupting the routine life in the hostels in any way, will be seriously viewed. Any student found guilty of such misconduct will be expelled from the hostel summarily.
2. Residents should not engage in unnecessary conversation with the mess workers and attenders.
3. Residents of hostels should not smoke, drink alcohol or indulge in gambling of any kind.
4. Students who are guilty of (a) rude language towards the staff of the College or of the Hostels, (b) assaulting or attempting to assault fellow students or employees or other Staff of the College / Hostel, (c) caught in ragging, eve teasing, etc., or (d) using cellphone in the hostel / college are liable to be expelled from the College and / or the Hostels.
5. Students are expected to be modestly and neatly dressed at all times.

6. Newspaper / magazines from the common lounge should not be taken to the rooms.
7. Students are expected to keep themselves, their rooms and the hostel premises neat & clean. They should prevent any damage or destruction of the hostel property due to either negligent or ill full activities.
8. There shall be no sports activity within the hostel premises, especially in the quadrangles and the corridors, at any time.
9. No private collection of funds shall be made from students or staff without prior permission of the warden.
10. There shall be no noisy midnight birthday parties or celebrations.
11. Ragging is banned; students are prohibited from engaging in acts of intimidation, violence or abuse directed towards any student, staff or hostel worker.
12. Use of Electric and Electronic gadgets are not allowed. For the use of lap tops prior permission from the warden is required.
13. Attendance during study hour is compulsory. The first shift students should leave the hostel to the College at 8.50 a.m. and be back before 1.30 p.m. The second shift students should leave the hostel at 2.00 p.m. and be back before 5.15 p.m. In case the student has work after the College hours prior permission should be got from the sub - warden concerned.
14. Students who wish to go to their local guardian's house should produce a letter from their parents authorizing the local guardian. Students should not take the other students to their local guardian's house
15. Students who would like to do additional course/part time job outside the College should get prior written permission from the Principal and Warden and maintain a note book about their attendance.
16. Men and Women Students going home for weekends / holidays can leave the hostel and also come back to the hostel only between 5.00 a.m. and 8.30 p.m. In case of students from faraway places, the warden should be informed about their late arrivals and departures.
17. Men and Women students who need special permission to go out for an hour or two during day time can avail the same by submitting a permission chit stating the time, place and reason for the outing.
18. Leave forms & permission slips should be submitted to the respective floor Sub-warden before 8.30 p.m. the previous day.
19. Students who come late from College, outings and weekend holidays should sign the register kept at the gate and meet the warden.
20. Students can receive phone calls, from parents alone, between 6.00 a.m. and 8.30 a.m. in the morning and between 6.00 p.m. and 8.15 p.m. in the evenings during working days. During holidays, students can receive calls between 6.00 a.m. and 8.15 p.m. Phone calls can be made through the "Phones" provided inside the hostel between 6.00 p.m. and 8.15 p.m. Residents should not talk for more than 5.00 minutes so that the other residents may also avail themselves of the phone facility.
21. Visitors are allowed between 6.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. Visitors are not allowed inside the hostel premises. No male student of the College is allowed to visit the students in women hostels. Visitors should sign in the Visitor's Note Book at the gate.
22. Newspapers and magazines should be folded and kept neat after reading in the reading room. They should not be taken to the rooms.

23. Certain sports equipments are available in the hostel office room. Students can make use of them after signing in the log book provided.
24. Any dispute with the students / workers should be brought to the sub-warden's notice immediately.
25. Water and Electricity should be conserved.
26. Students should put their clothes for drying only on the clothes line provided and should not dry them inside their rooms.
27. Students should flush the toilets & keep them clean after use.
28. Sanitary napkins should be wrapped in a paper before disposing them in the bins provided. Do not flush them in the toilets.

ABSENCE FROM THE HOSTEL AND COLLEGE CLASSES

- a) Residents should not be absent overnight from the hostel. Overnight absence without leave will be viewed as a serious breach of discipline.
- b) Illness should be reported to the Sub-Wardens without delay and self - medication is not allowed.
- c) Residents who require leave from College classes on account of illness or on other valid grounds must apply through the Sub-Warden.
- d) Leave of absence from the College and the Hostel must be applied for separately.
- e) Residents must attend classes on all working days unless they are sick and have applied for leave of absence through the Sub-Warden. They must write all the tests / exams conducted by the Department / College. Absenting from classes, exams and remaining in hostel or spending time in places other than classes during working hours is a serious breach of discipline which will attract fine or expulsion from hostel.
- f) Residents who wish to go home during weekends / holidays must apply for leave to the hostel Wardens the previous day itself. If it is a working day, the permission of the HOD/Class teacher concerned should also be obtained.
- g) Men and Women students must sign the appropriate registers kept at the gate while leaving the hostel and while returning to the hostel (except when attending the regular College classes). Action will be taken against students who sign for one place and go elsewhere.