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Date: 24/01/2020

To
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ID: 12354
Anti-Ragging & Anti-Racial Abuse Helpline
University Grants Commission
Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg
New Delhi – 110 002

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- (iii) List of the anti ragging committee members along with their signatures, position of the members in Anti Ragging Committee and their contact details : *(Annexure -III)*
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- (v) Details of punishment for the culprits :
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This is for you kind information and perusal.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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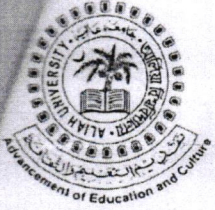
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(1) Details of investigation done by anti ragging committee members:**a) 1st ARC Meeting Details:****Prelims:**

The complaint lodged by a student of Aliah University with the UGC Anti-Ragging Cell was read out. The Anti-Ragging Committee received the complaint on 22nd October, 2019 at around 2:30 pm. 23rd October being an enlisted holiday, the Anti-Ragging Committee notified 24th October, 2019 as the date of the first meeting regarding the case referred above.

1. The complaint explicitly indicated incidents centering the Boys' Hostel, New Town Campus, Aliah University. Further, it mentioned the name of Mr. Asraful Islam, the present Chairman of Hostel Management Committee, as a witness to an incident that took place on 3rd July, 2019 and referred to. The complaint, though not explicitly, contained a suppressed grievance of the complainant about the Chairman.

In view of the above the committee decided to invite Mr. Asraful Islam (as an Invited Member) to render support to the committee as required and throw light on the undesirable incidents that was referred to in the complaint.

The Committee identified the alleged victim as Mr. Enamul Khan, Research Scholar, Dept. of Electronics and Communication Engineering. He is presently a boarder of the Boys' Hostel of New Town Campus of the University and resides in the 11th floor of the same. The Anti-ragging committee advised Mr. Enamul Khan to appear before the committee on 24/10/2019.

The Anti-ragging committee also advised Mr. Abu Raihan, the alleged culprit, to appear before the committee on 24/10/2019.

Both the alleged victim and the alleged culprit were given patient hearing by the Anti-Ragging Committee and their statements were recorded (for audio) with prior intimation to them.

Dr. Shamim Haidar, member of the Anti-Ragging Committee, was bestowed with the responsibility of preparing a draft by listening to the recorded statement of the alleged victim and the alleged culprit which are to be signed by them, if agreed upon.

Discussions:

1. The Anti-Ragging Committee noted that an FIR has been lodged by the University authority against the alleged culprit, namely, Mr. Abu Raihan, thereby, complied with the clause 7.1 of the Anti-Ragging Norms of the UGC.

2. The Anti-Ragging Committee was apprised by the Hostel Chairman about the incident of 3rd July, 2019 which could be traced as the point-of-initiation of a commotion between the alleged victim and the alleged culprit. The Anti-Ragging Committee went through the supporting documents (complaint letters etc.). The Hostel Chairman stated that since the incident of 3rd July, 2019 (referred in the letter of complaint as a support document) took place outside the hostel premise, he forwarded the complaint to the appropriate authority for necessary action, though, the Anti-Ragging Committee could not identify any document pertaining to any action being taken. However, the Hostel Chairman informed the Anti-

Ragging Committee that he made an effort to pacify the tense situation and apparently things improved as the confronting students shook hands as a gesture of peace.

3. Mr. Enamul Khan, the alleged victim stated that Mr. Abu Raihan, the alleged culprit is verbally abusing him on a regular basis and in the afternoon of 18th October, immediately after the lunch, he was physically abused by the alleged culprit. During the period of his statement, Mr. Enamul Khan stated that the Hostel Chairman gave permission to the Ph.D. scholars, residing in the hostel, can avail food as and when required without maintaining any schedule (namely standing in a queue etc.). However, the Anti-Ragging Committee could not identify any official notification with regard to the same. Mr. Enamul Khan, in his letter of complaint alleged Mr. Abu Raihan as an illegal boarder of the Boys' Hostel, New Town Campus. When sought explanation, the Hostel Chairman explained that Mr. Abu Raihan was given an extension as per the norms of the HMC. The Anti-Ragging Committee advised the Hostel Chairman to submit necessary documents with regard to the same. Mr. Enamul Khan was extremely aggressive and vociferous against the Hostel Chairman and at times had to be pacified by the members of

also denied charges of any kind of physical assault. He further informed that although he has been allocated a room in the 11th floor of the Boys' Hostel, he spent most of the time in the 8th floor.

5. Mr. Enamul Khan, in a very threatening voice, read out from a note that was stored in his shirt's pocket, that if he was found implicated (namely, for sexual assault) and harassed (namely for official documentation, Ph.D. work etc.), as an aftermath or consequence of raising voice against the authority, then the authority themselves shall be responsible for the same and demanded an assurance that he will be never implicated or harassed as a result of a complain being lodged by him from the University authority in a 'stamp paper'. The Anti-Ragging Committee strongly condemned Mr. Enamul Khan's language, body gesture, tone of voice and the demands. However, he was assured peace-of-mind by the Anti-Ragging Committee with an assumption that he had no previous foul-play to camouflage with such aggressive attitude.

Actions/ Resolutions:

1. Mr. Enamul Khan was assured by the Anti-Ragging Committee about physical safety and was advised not to be drawn into any further commotion.
2. Mr. Abu Raihan was warned by the Anti-Ragging Committee and was advised to keep abstain from any kind of provocative activity and misconduct.
3. The Anti-Ragging Committee observed that the room of the alleged culprit should be shifted from the 11th floor to some other floor as per availability and as norms. However, before taking such step the boardership of the alleged culprit has to be checked.
4. The Anti-Ragging Committee also observed that further interaction with the hostel boarders and other stakeholders (still unidentified) is necessary before any conclusive step to be finalized.

b) 2nd ARC Meeting details:

Prelims

In continuation with its first meeting held on 24th October, 2019 regarding the complaint No.- ARCC/WB-5999, dated 21/10/2019; the Anti-Ragging Committee, Aliah University sat for the 2nd meeting on 7th November, 2019 for further inquiry.

The Anti-Ragging Committee requested the Hostel Chairman, Aliah University to inform the following people to appear before the committee in the said meeting:

1. Boarders of the 11th floor of Boys' Hostel of New Town Campus
2. Floor Representatives of Boys' Hostel of New Town Campus

One boarder from the 11th floor and two floor representatives (10th and 7th Floor) appeared before the committee.

The Anti-Ragging Committee requested the Chairman of Anti-Ragging Squad, Aliah University to remain present in the meeting with all members.

The Chairman of Anti-Ragging Committee was present in the meeting, though, for a very brief period of time.

Discussions

1. The boarder from the 11th floor of the Boys' Hostel, New Town Campus could not throw any light on the alleged complaint of physical abuse lodged by the complainant