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No.F.1-8/2006 (CPP-II)

16th May, 2008

The Registrar

All Universities (List attached)

17 MAY 2008

Subject: Supreme Court of India Orders - Curbing Ragging in Educational Institutions — <u>Inclusion of No of Ragging Incidents in Prospectus/Brochures.</u>

Sir/Madam,

In continuation of this Office letter of even no. dated 03.03.2008, on the above subject, I am directed to say that the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLP (C) No.24295/2004 in the matter of University of Kerala v/s Council of Principals, Colleges of Kerala and others, the Apex Court has expressed displeasure on the incidents of ragging in the educational institutions despite directions to prevent such incidents in educational institutions.

- (2) In the last hearing held on 10th December, 2007 in the case related to prevention of ragging in higher educational institutions the Supreme Court has expressed concern over the incidence of ragging occurring in higher educational institutions and the need to eliminating it altogether. Accordingly, as directed by the Court, instructions have been issued by the regulatory bodies like UGC/ AICTE/ MCI etc., for inclusion of the clause in the prospectus regarding punishment of students with expulsion etc, if found guilty of ragging. The Committee set up by the Supreme Court to Monitor the measures being taken to prevent ragging has now decided that along with the number of cases of ragging in the previous academic session, the punishments awarded to those found guilty should also be mentioned in the brochures/prospectus of the higher educational institution.
- (3) It may also be stated that the Report of the Raghavan Committee constituted as per directions of the Supreme Court of India to give suggestions on means of prevention of ragging in educational institutions, is already posted on UGC web site www.ugc.ac.in The prescribed format for compliance report already circulated vide UGC office letter of even number dated 20th November, 2007.

(4) The Second meeting of Raghavan Committee to Monitor Measures to Prevent Ragging in Higher I ducational Institutions appointed by the Supreme Court of India constituted by Ministry of Human Resource Development headed by Dr. K. Raghavan, Ex-Director of CBI was held on 03 04.2008 in New Delhi and the Committee has inter-alia given the following directions to all regulatory bodies:

That the Universities/Colleges should mention in their prospectus/brochure that the total number of "Ragging Incidents" taken place in their Institution in each year for information to the public.

the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, Department of Higher I discation, vide their letter No. 9-18/2008 (U-5) dated 29th April, 2008 has requested to take up statable campaigns against ragging, inter alia suggesting the following:

The Institutions may erect suitable hoardings/bill boards/banners in prominent places within the campus exhort the students to prevent or not to indulge in ragging and also indicating therein the names of the officials and their telephone number to be contacted in case of ragging.

The Educational Institutions may also undertake any other form campaigns as it may consider appropriate for prevention of ragging.

or It is requested that necessary action may be taken. This may also be brought to the notice of the colleges affiliated to your university.

Action taken report in this regard may please be sent to this office early.

Yours faithfully. नितः जायसवारी

(V.K. Jaiswal)

Under Secretary

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the Director (U-5), Government of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development. Department of Higher Education, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi – 110 001 (Ref. No.

9-18/2008 U- 5, dated 29.04.2008 and No.F. 9-43/2007-U-5)

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