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NOTIFICATION

No.F. DTU/ORG/Notification/04(1)/2009/_____. In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of Section 32 of the Delhi Technological University Act, 2009 (Delhi Act 6 of 2009), the Board of Management, Delhi Technological University, hereby makes Ordinance-6 Maintenance of Discipline among students

1. Short title and Commencement

(a) These Ordinance may be called the Delhi Technological University (Sixth) Ordinance, 2010.

(b) They shall come into force with effect from the date of meeting of the Board of Management i.e. 28.12.2010.

2. Definitions:

(i) In these ordinances, unless the context otherwise requires:-

(a) "Act", "statutes", "ordinances" and "regulations" mean respectively the Delhi Technological University Act, 2009 (6 of 2009), the statutes, the ordinances and the regulations of the Delhi Technological University.

(b) "Departments", and "School" means the academic departments and schools of Delhi Technological University.

(ii) Words and expression used, but not defined, in these ordinances shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Act and the statutes.

3. Powers to vest in the Vice Chancellor

(i) All powers relating to maintenance and enforcement of discipline among and disciplinary action against the students of the University shall vest in the Vice Chancellor.

(ii) The Vice Chancellor may delegate all or any such of his powers, as he deems proper, to such other officers and authorities of the university as he may specify in this behalf.

4. Acts of indiscipline and misconduct

(1) Without prejudice to the generality of the power to maintain and enforce discipline under this ordinance, the following shall amount to acts of indiscipline or misconduct on the part of a student of the University:-

- (a) Physical assault, or threat to use physical force, against any member of the teaching or non-teaching staff of any Department or school of the University or against any student of the University.
 - (b) Remaining absent from the class test or any examination or any other curricular or co-curricular activity which he/she is expected to participate in;
 - (c) Carrying of, use of or threat to use, any weapon;
 - ✓ (d) Misbehavior, using abusive language or cruelty towards any other student, teacher or any other employee of the University;
 - (e) Use of drugs or other intoxicants except those prescribed by a qualified doctor;
 - (f) Any violation of the provisions of the Civil Rights Protection Act, 1976;
 - (g) Indulging in or encouraging violence or any conduct which involves moral turpitude;
 - (h) Any form of gambling;
 - (i) Violation of the status, dignity and honour of a student belonging to a ✓ scheduled caste or a schedule tribe;
 - (j) Discrimination against any student or a member of staff on grounds of caste, creed, language, place of origin, social and cultural background or any of them;
 - (k) Practicing casteism and untouchability in any form or inciting any other person to do so;
 - (l) Any act or gesture, whether verbal physical or otherwise, derogatory to women;
 - (m) Consuming tobacco, liquor or smoking;
 - (n) Any attempt at bribing or corruption of any manner or description;
 - (o) Willful destruction of the property of the University;
 - (p) Behaving in a rowdy, intemperate or disorderly manner in the premises of the University or encouraging or inciting any other person to do so;
 - (q) Creating discord, ill-will or intolerance among the students or sectarian or communal grounds or inciting any other student to do so;
 - (r) Causing disruption of any manner or description of the academic functioning of the University system;
 - (s) Indulging in or encouraging any form of disruptive activity connected with tests, examinations or any other activity of the University;
 - (t) Truancy and unpunctuality;
- (2) The Vice chancellor may amend or add to the list of malpractices under clause (1)

5. Penalties for breach of discipline

Without prejudice to the generality of his powers relating to the maintenance of discipline and taking such action in the interest of maintaining discipline as deemed appropriate by him.

- (1) The Vice Chancellor may in exercise of his powers aforesaid, order or direct that any student or students_
- (a) Be expelled from the University in which case he/she shall not be re-admitted to the University, from where his expelled; or
 - (b) Be, for a stated period, rusticated in which case he/she shall not be admitted to the University till the expiry of the period of rustication; or
 - (c) Be, for a stated period expelled from the University Hostel/hall of residence or;
 - (d) Be not, for a stated period, admitted to a course or courses of study of the University; or
 - (e) Be imposed with the fine of a specified amount of money;
 - (f) Be debarred from taking a University examination or examinations for one or more years.

(2) The Vice Chancellor, in exercise of his powers aforesaid or on the recommendations of Board of Discipline, may also order or direct that the result of the student concerned of the examination or examinations at which he/she has appeared, be cancelled.

(3) The Chairman, Board of Discipline, Head of Teaching Departments and schools, Wardens of different hostels, Librarian and In-charge of any centralized facilities in the university shall have the authority to exercise disciplinary powers over students in their respective domain, in the university as may be necessary for the proper functioning of the department, hostel, library, central facility, which may include issuing warning, suspension from the classes/hostels and/or debarring from using the central facilities for a maximum period of one month. However, in all such cases, the final decision shall be taken by the Board of Discipline.

6. Ragging

Ragging for the purposes of this ordinance, shall ordinarily mean any act, conduct or practice by which the dominant power or status of senior students is brought to bear upon the students who are in any way considered junior or inferior by the former and includes individual or collective acts or practices which:

- (a) Involve physical assault or threat to use physical force;
- (b) Violate the status, dignity and honour of students, in particular woman/girl students and those belonging to a scheduled caste or a scheduled tribe;
- (c) Expose students to ridicule or contempt or commit an act which may lower their self esteem; and
- (d) Entail verbal abuse, mental or physical torture, aggression, corporal punishment, harassment, trauma, indecent gesture and obscene behavior.

(A) What constitutes Ragging?

Ragging constitutes one or more of the following acts:

- (a) Any conduct by any students whether by words spoken or written or by an act which has the effect of teasing, treating or handling with rudeness a fresher or any other students;
- (b) Indulging in rowdy or indisciplined activities by any student or students which causes or is likely to cause annoyance, hardship, physical or psychological harm or to raise fear or apprehension thereof in any fresher or any other student;
- (c) Asking any student to do any act which such student will not in the ordinary course do and which has the effect of causing or generating a sense of shame, or torment or embarrassment so as to adversely affect the physique or psyche of such fresher or any other student;
- (d) Any act by a senior student that prevents, disrupts or disturbs the regular academic activity of any other student or a fresher;
- (e) Exploiting the services of a fresher or any other student for completing the academic tasks assigned to an individual or a group of students;
- (f) Any act of financial extortion or forceful expenditure burden put on a fresher or any other student by students;
- (g) Any act of physical abuse including all variants of it: sexual abuse, homosexual assaults, stripping, forcing obscene and lewd acts, gestures causing bodily harm or any other danger to health or person;
- (h) Any act or abuse by spoken words, emails, post, public insults which would also include deriving perverted pleasure, vicarious or sadistic thrill from actively or passively participating in the discomfiture to fresher or any other student;
- (i) Any act that affects the mental health or self-confidence of a fresher or any other student with or without an intent to derive a sadistic pleasure or showing off power, authority or superiority by a student over any fresher or any other student.

(B) Prohibition of Ragging

- (i) Ragging in any form is strictly prohibited in University campus and any part of University system, as well as on public transport or at any place, public or private.
- (ii) Any individual or collective act or practice of ragging constitutes gross indiscipline and shall be dealt with relevant provisions.
- (iii) The Head of the Department/ schools, Proctor, wardens of Hostels, Librarian, In-charge of any central facility, security officer or any faculty member of the university shall take immediate action on receipt of any information of the occurrence of ragging.
- (iv) Notwithstanding anything in clause (iii) above, the Chairman, Board of Discipline may also suo-moto enquire into any incident of ragging and make a report to the Vice Chancellor of the identity of those who have engaged in ragging and the nature of the incident.

(v) The Chairman, Board of Discipline may also submit an initial report to VC establishing the identity of the perpetrators of ragging and the nature of the ragging incident.

(vi) If the Head of the Department/Schools, Proctor, Chief Warden, Librarian, In-charge- Central Facility and Chairman, Board of Discipline is satisfied that for some reason, to be recorded in writing, it is not feasible to hold such an enquiry, he/she may so advise the Vice Chancellor accordingly.

(vii) When the Vice Chancellor is satisfied that it is not expedient to hold such an enquiry into an incident of ragging, his/her decision shall be final.

(viii) On the receipt of a report under clause (iv) of (v) or determination by the relevant authority under clause (vi) disclosing the occurrence of ragging incidents described in clause 5 (A), the Vice Chancellor shall take appropriate penal action which may include rustication of a student or student for a specific number of year from University, debarring from appearing in University examination and/or take any other measure as prescribed by Hon'ble Supreme Court or any Court of Law.

(ix) 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 or in a University Examination, for one or more years or that the result of student/students concerned in the examination in which they appeared be cancelled.

(x) In case any students who have obtained degrees of Delhi Technological University are found guilty under this Ordinance, appropriate action for withdrawal of degrees conferred by the University shall be initiated.

(xii) 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.

(xii) All students shall be required to submit written undertaking(s) to the University in the beginning of academic session that they shall indulge into any act of ragging.

7. Declaration to be signed by a student

At the time of admission, every student shall be required to sign a declaration on oath that he/she shall submit himself/herself to the disciplinary jurisdiction of the Vice Chancellor and other authorities of the University.

8. Constitution of the Board of Discipline

(1) The Boards of Discipline at the level of the University shall be constituted by the Vice Chancellor as follows:-

- (i) A Professor of the University to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor - **Chairman**
- (ii) Chief Warden of the University Hostels

- (iii) Two senior teachers of the University to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor, members
 - (iv) One Senior lady teacher of the University to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor, member
 - (v) Head of the concerned department/school and hostel warden to which the act of indiscipline or misconduct by a student or students pertains to. The Chairman, in case feels that input from the student(s) are required for better examination of a case, may do so by calling the student(s).
 - (vi) Assistant Registrar. (Academic) shall be the Member Secretary of the Board of Discipline.
- (2) The members of the board including Chairman shall hold office for a period of two years and a vacancy occurring in the Board of Discipline shall be filled for the remaining period of the term of the member whose department has caused the vacancy.
 - (3) Three members of the Board of discipline including the Chairman, shall form the quorum.
 - (4) In the absence of the Chairman, the senior most member of the Board of Discipline shall act as the Chairman.

9. Functions of the Board of Discipline

- (1) The Board of Discipline shall perform the following functions:-
 - (i) To consider matters concerning maintenance of discipline among the students in the University.
 - (ii) To enquiry into the acts of indiscipline or misconduct committed by a student or students whenever such cases are referred to the Board of Discipline and to submit their findings, conclusions and recommendations for the quantum of punishment under the provision of this ordinance to the Vice Chancellor or the person authorized by the Vice Chancellor in this behalf.
 - (iii) To supervise and monitor the disciplinary climate prevailing in the University.
 - (iv) To take preventative and precautionary steps such as issue of notices, warning, instructions etc. as the case may be, for the purpose of forestalling acts of individual or collective indiscipline, misconduct and ragging etc.
 - (v) To maintain liaison with the police authorities and the concerned departments of the Government, neighboring institutions and the concerned authorities of the University regarding maintenance of law and order in the University as the case may be.
 - (vi) To perform such other functions as may be assigned to it by the Vice Chancellor from time to time.
- (2) The decision in each case shall be conveyed by the Chairman communicating the penalty or penalties, if any, imposed on a student or students.
- (3) A student or students who are aggrieved with the penalty imposed upon them, may appeal to the vice chancellor whose decision in this regard shall be final and binding upon the parties.