

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:240

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RAGGING IN COLLEGES

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some cases of ragging have been noticed in the colleges/universities in the country particularly in Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of cases of ragging reported in colleges, engineering colleges, medical colleges and in other educational institutions, during the last three years and thereafter; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to check the menace of ragging in the educational institutions?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.240 DATED 9.8.2005 ASKED BY SHRI BRAJESH PATHAK AND SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL, M.P.s REGARDING RAGGING IN COLLEGES

(a) to (d): According to the University Grants Commission (UGC) and the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), no such case of ragging has been reported in the universities/colleges so far this year. However, a strict watch is being maintained by the universities and colleges on all untoward developments.

While, no centralized data is being maintained in regard to the cases of ragging, the Government has taken serious note of the problem of Ragging in Universities/Colleges. In order to explore the measures for curbing of Ragging in Universities & Colleges, the UGC constituted an expert committee in September, 1999. The report of the expert committee was circulated to all universities for necessary action. The directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Civil Petition No.656 of 1998 on curbing the menace of ragging in the educational institutions have also been circulated to all the State/UT Governments/universities for strict compliance. The Commission has also invited the attention of the universities to the report of the committee constituted by the I.I.T., Delhi on measures to curb ragging. AICTE has also issued instructions to all the State Secretaries (Technical Education) and Vice-Chancellors of Technical Universities for taking necessary steps to prevent ragging in the Institutes.