

# Report of Anti-ragging Cell (2024-25)



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# **Report of the Anti-ragging Cell**

**2024-25**

Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh is successfully maintaining a Ragging-free and secure environment for its students. The Institute adheres in letter and spirit to the guidelines laid down by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India which has banned ragging in all institutions of higher education. In pursuance of its significant judgment dated 8 May 2009 in Civil Appeal No. 887/2009 which was notified by UGC as 'Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009' and subsequent communications received from the Ministry of Human Resource and Development from time to time, the College takes all relevant steps to curb, prevent and eliminate the menace of ragging.

Significant steps taken during the session 2024-25 in this direction are as follows:

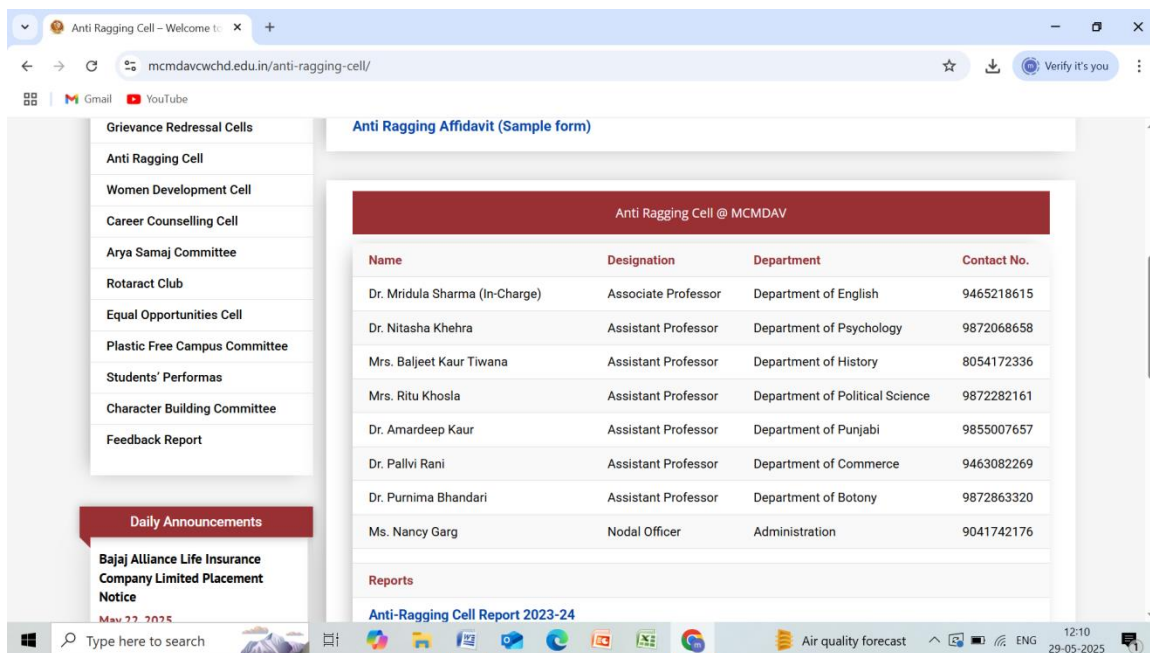
## **Existence of Anti-ragging Cell:**

The Anti-ragging Cell/Committee of the college has been in existence as per the instructions of the UGC and GOI in order to control and prevent the incidents of ragging in the college, if any. It includes the following members:

Dr. Mridula Sharma (Convenor)  
Dr. Nitasha Khehra  
Mrs. Baljeet Kaur Tiwana  
Dr. Ritu Khosla  
Dr. Amardeep Kaur  
Dr. Pallvi Rani  
Dr. Purnima Bhandari  
Ms. Nancy Garg (Nodal Officer)

## Information on Institutional Website:

- The names and phone numbers of the members of the Anti-ragging Cell are displayed prominently on the institutional website.

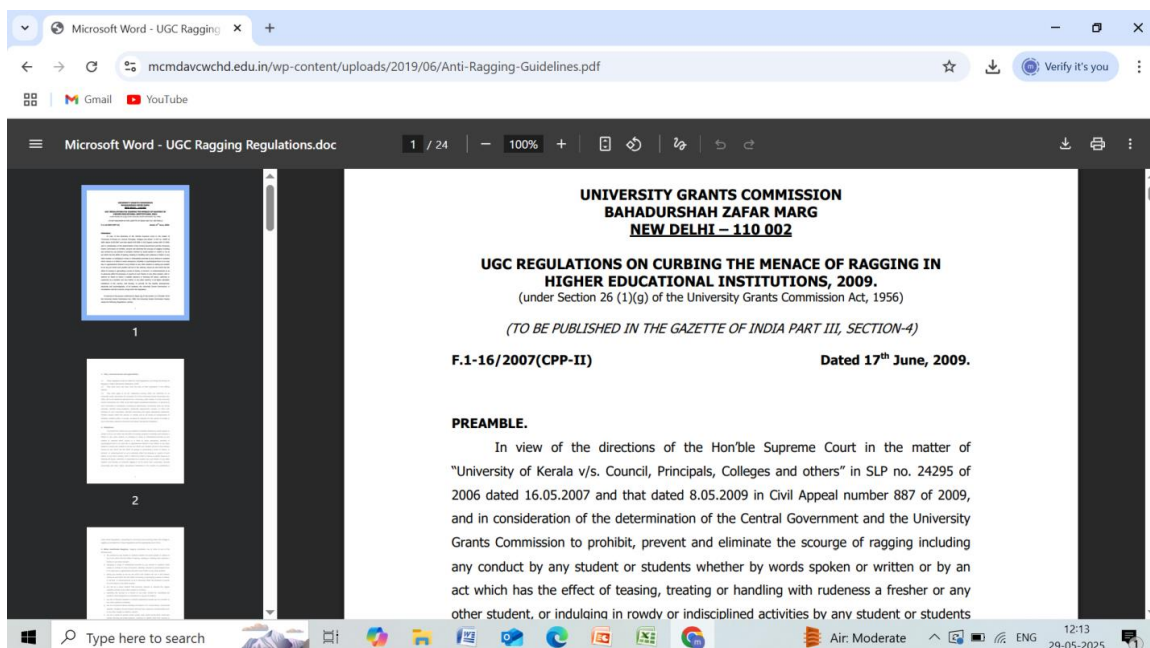


The screenshot shows the website of the Anti Ragging Cell at MCMDAV. The page has a sidebar with various links including Grievance Redressal Cells, Anti Ragging Cell, Women Development Cell, Career Counselling Cell, Arya Samaj Committee, Rotaract Club, Equal Opportunities Cell, Plastic Free Campus Committee, Students' Performas, Character Building Committee, and Feedback Report. The main content area displays the 'Anti Ragging Affidavit (Sample form)' and a table of members.

Name	Designation	Department	Contact No.
Dr. Mridula Sharma (In-Charge)	Associate Professor	Department of English	9465218615
Dr. Nitasha Khehra	Assistant Professor	Department of Psychology	9872068658
Mrs. Baljeet Kaur Tiwana	Assistant Professor	Department of History	8054172336
Mrs. Ritu Khosla	Assistant Professor	Department of Political Science	9872282161
Dr. Amardeep Kaur	Assistant Professor	Department of Punjabi	9855007657
Dr. Pallvi Rani	Assistant Professor	Department of Commerce	9463082269
Dr. Purnima Bhandari	Assistant Professor	Department of Botany	9872863320
Ms. Nancy Garg	Nodal Officer	Administration	9041742176

Below the table, there is a section for 'Reports' with a link to 'Anti-Ragging Cell Report 2023-24'.

- The statutory warning, UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in the Higher Educational Institutions, 2009 (dated: 17 June 2009) is also available on the college website for the benefit of the students and their parents.



The screenshot shows a Microsoft Word document titled 'UGC Ragging Regulations.doc'. The document is a PDF of the UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009. The header of the document reads: 'UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION, BAHADURSHAH ZAFAR MARG, NEW DELHI - 110 002'. The title of the regulations is 'UGC REGULATIONS ON CURBING THE MENACE OF RAGGING IN HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, 2009.' (under Section 26 (1)(g) of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956). It is noted that the regulations are to be published in the Gazette of India Part III, Section-4. The document is dated 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2009. The preamble states that in view of the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of 'University of Kerala v/s. Council, Principals, Colleges and others' in SLP no. 24295 of 2006 dated 16.05.2007 and that dated 8.05.2009 in Civil Appeal number 887 of 2009, and in consideration of the determination of the Central Government and the University Grants Commission to prohibit, prevent and eliminate the scourge of ragging including any conduct by any student or 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 student, or indulging in rowdy or indiscipline activities by any student or students.

- A sample of the Anti-ragging Undertaking to be submitted by every student at the time of online admission to the college was displayed prominently on the College Website as well.

### **Display of Names and Phone Numbers in the Campus:**

The names and phone numbers of the members of the Anti-ragging Cell as well as the Nodal Officer are displayed prominently on hoardings installed at important places in the college and the hostel to enable students to approach them for help promptly.

### **Anti-ragging Warning in the Institutional Prospectus:**

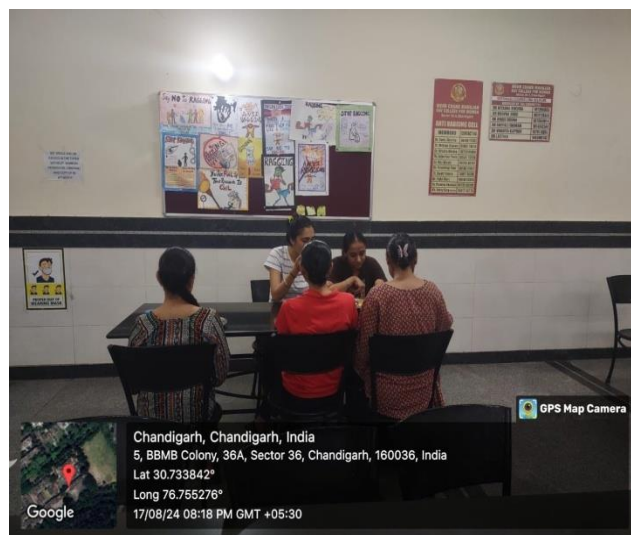
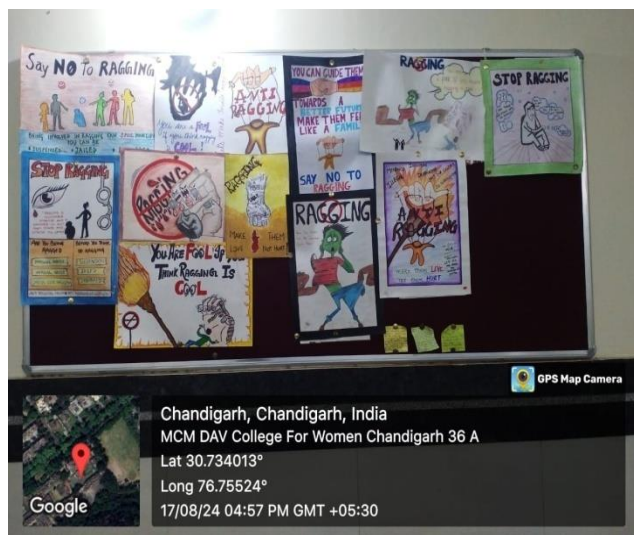
The statutory warning against Ragging is printed boldly in colour in both, the Prospectus of the College and the Hostel (Online and Offline) for the information of students as well as their parents.

### **Installation of CCTV Cameras:**

CCTV Cameras are installed at vital spots in the campus and hostel to keep a check on the activities of the students in the college and hostel premises. The monitor installed in the principal's office serves to maintain a round-the-clock vigilance on any kind of unlawful activity by the students and ensure their safety.

### **Anti-ragging Posters:**

Anti-ragging Posters prescribed by the UGC as well as those made by the students are displayed at prominent places in the Campus and hostel to sensitize the students against the evil of Ragging.





### **Anti-ragging Undertaking**

As per the instructions of the government, Anti-ragging Undertaking was sought from all students at the time of admission. The submission of the document ensures the students' commitment of compliance with the government's policy of eradicating ragging.

Students were also asked to fill Online Anti-Ragging Undertaking at the National Portal of UGC and GOI while filling up the online admission form of the college.


UGC Guidelines on the Menace of Ragging and a Sample of Anti-ragging Undertaking Form was made available on the College Website for the facility of the students.




## **EVENTS**

A number of events were planned at the beginning of the session to generate a high level of awareness. The following brochure was taken out for information of students and teachers:

**Mehr Chand Mahajan**  
**DAV College for Women**  
Sector 36-A, Chandigarh (U.T.)



**Anti-Ragging Cell**  
organises



**सौहार्द**  
Date: 16 August 2024 | Time: 7:00 PM | Venue: Assembly Halls of all Hostel  
An address by the college Anti-Ragging Squad as a goodwill gesture and confidence-building exercise in all the hostels to augment a loving relationship with the juniors and fresh entrants.

**Anti-Ragging Poster Presentation**  
Date: 17 August 2024 | Time: 12:00 Noon to 1:00 PM | Venue: IQAC Room to College Library.  
A Display of Anti-Ragging Posters made by students in the corridor leading to the College Library.

**I AM EMPOWERED**  
Date: 20 August 2024 | Venue: Class Rooms  
A 20-minute activity to be conducted by the class teachers of English in the First Year of all streams exhorting the fresh entrants to go online on the UGC Website to understand the laws in force and the ensuing rights against ragging and discuss thereafter.

**Selfie corner**  
Date: 21 August 2024 | Time: 10:00 AM Onwards | Venue: Outside Golden Jubilee Auditorium  
Placement of Anti-Ragging Selfie corner outside the main auditorium and encourage students and teachers to get themselves photographed there as part of the Awareness-spreading exercise.

**Movie Screening**  
Date: 21 August 2024 | Time: 10:30 AM | Venue: Golden Jubilee Auditorium  
Screening of film on Anti Ragging during the Induction day celebration in the Golden Jubilee Auditorium for all fresh entrants to the college.

Mr Ashish Mudgal  
Activity Incharge (Creative)

Mrs Baljeet Tiwana & Dr Nitasha Khehra  
Coordinators

Dr Mridula Sharma  
Co-convener

Dr Nisha Bhargava  
Convener & Principal

## **Induction Day Event:**

During the Induction/Orientation Programme held in the college on 21 August 2024, the Members of the Anti-ragging Cell were introduced to the new students. A power point presentation was used to drive home the definition of ragging and Anti ragging rules of the Institute. A film on Anti ragging was screened for the fresh entrants to apprise them of the regulations, rights and duties pertaining to maintain a ragging free environment in the college.



The senior students put up a skit with posters and parody of songs, and exhorted the fresh entrants to guard themselves against any activity that falls within the purview of ragging.

In her address to the students, the Principal of the college Dr. Nisha Bhargava also sensitized the students about the evil of ragging.

## **Selfie Corner**

A Selfie Corner was specially created outside the main auditorium of the College. The students and teachers were encouraged to get themselves photographed there as part of Awareness-spreading exercise. This activity was conducted on 21 August 2024.

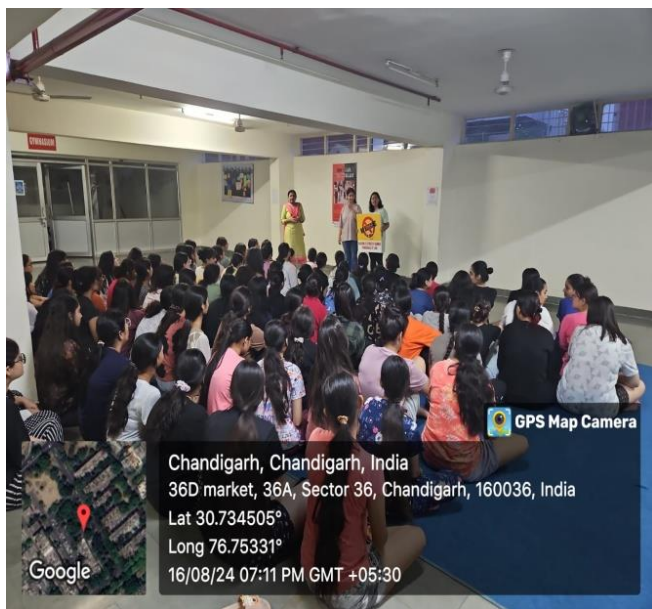


The Selfie Corner was used in some academic events at later dates as well.

## **'Sauhard'**

This confidence building exercise was conducted by the Anti-ragging Squad of the College in the assembly halls of all hostels in the evening of 16 August 2024. The purpose was to foster and strengthen a loving bond with the students of junior classes by assuring them that the seniors were there to always lend a helping hand and patient ear.





## Anti-ragging Poster Presentation

A display of Anti-ragging posters made by students was organized in the corridors of the College with maximum footfall to sensitize the students to the menace of ragging and the consequences of indulging in it.





### **'I AM EMPOWERED':**

On 20 August 2024, a 20-minute activity was conducted in class rooms by the class teachers of English in the First Year of all streams directing the fresh entrants to go online on the UGC Website to understand the Anti-ragging laws in force. The ensuing rights against ragging were discussed afterwards.

### **Workshop On 'Bullying and Mental Health'**

The Anti Ragging Committee in collaboration with Geetanjali Counselling Helpline organized a workshop on the pertinent theme of "Bullying and Mental Health" on 17 February 2025. The resource person was Dr Nitasha Khehra, Assistant Professor, PG Department of Psychology and Co-ordinator, Geetanjali Counselling Helpline Committee at the College. The workshop witnessed enthusiastic participation from 120 students from various streams of the college. The faculty members introduced the team and main purpose of both the committees for easy accessibility as a part of Student Support Services. Bullying was discussed from various perspectives encompassing the characteristics of victims, bullies, bystander effect and impact on the mental health of victims. The prevalence, causes, risk factors, short term and long-term effects of bullying in college settings were discussed in detail. Effective techniques of stress management, coping strategies and resilience building practices for young adults were elaborated.



