<u>University Grants Commission</u> <u>New Delhi</u>

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Status Note

Sub: Anti- Ragging measures in Higher Education Institutions.

The Supreme Court of India in its judgement and order dated 08.05.2009 in civil appeal no. 887 of 2009 in the case of Univers1ity of Kerala v/s Councils Principal's Colleges Kerala and others accepted various recommendations made by Raghavan Committee and directed the same to be implemented immediately. Further in para 2 of judgement and order the Hon'ble Supreme Court noted as follows:

Learned amicus curiae has submitted that the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, in consultation with UGC,MCI, AICTE and other similar regulatory bodies is in the process of setting up a central crisis-hotline and anti-ragging database in the manner suggested by Dr. Rajendra Kachroo to the Raghavan Committee and the UGC. The task of monitoring the database be given to a non-governmental agency, to be immediately nominated by the Union of India to build confidence in the public and also to provide information of non compliance to the regulatory bodies and to the Raghavan Committee.

As per Supreme Court order in para 2(cited above) and UGC regulations (amended) in 8.1 (f) mentions that NGO is to be nominated by the University Grants Commission to build confidence in public.

It is worth to mention the activities of the independent monitoring agency as described in the "approved plan" as per the Report on Establishment of Nation Wide Anti- ragging Helpline bodies, like MCI, AICTE, ICAR etc.

- To ensure that each College & University copies the regulations of the University Grants Commission and other regulatory bodies, like MCI, AICTE, ICAR etc.
- To update & verify students data set and the Colleges/Universities data sets.
- To analyse contact centre data to ensure that each reported of ragging is brought to its logical conclusion.
- To take proactive steps to prevent ragging in locations that are prone to ragging and violence.

Now the work has been awarded to "Aman Satya Kachroo Trust" for a period of one year as an independent monitoring agency for executing monitoring and evaluation of 24x7 Anti Ragging Helpline & Web portal and related database work to carry out.