

# **Maharashtra Prohibition of Ragging Act, 1999**

## **( Maharashtra Act No XXXIII of 1999)**

“Ragging” means display of disorderly conduct, doing of any act which causes or is likely to cause physical or psychological harm or raise apprehension or fear or shame or embarrassment to a student in any educational institution and includes-

- 1) Teasing, abusing, threatening or playing practical jokes on, or causing hurt to, such student; or
- 2) Asking a student to do any act or perform something which such student will not, in the ordinary course, willingly, do.
- 3) Ragging within or outside of any educational institution is prohibited.
- 4) Whoever directly or indirectly commits, participates in, abets or propagates ragging within or outside any educational institution shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years and shall also be liable to a fine which may extend to ten thousand rupees.
- 5) Any student convicted of an offence under section 4 shall be dismissed from the educational institution and such student shall not be admitted in any other educational institution for a period of five years from the date of order of such dismissal.