## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFHUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT RAJYA SABHA

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ANSWERED ON

SUICIDE DUE TO RAGGING.

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTUREHUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether it is a fact that junior students in colleges are committing suicides due to ragging by senior students; and
- (b) if so, the steps taken/to be taken by Government to prevent such suicides in future?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

- (a): No such case has currently come to the notice of the Central Government.
- (b): The Government has taken 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 their 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.