# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFHUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT RAJYA SABHA

# **QUESTION NO26.11.2010**

### **ANSWERED ON**

# SUICIDE BY STUDENTS DUE TO RAGGING.

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

- (a) the number of students who committed suicide because of ragging in the last two years;
- (b) the details of those students, State-wise;
- (c) whether Government is making any effort to issue guidelines to institutes to check ragging; and
- (d) if so, whether any time limit has also been fixed for this?

# **ANSWER**

#### MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

### (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

- (a) & (b) As per information gathered from University Grants Commission, five complaints have been registered wherein students have allegedly committed suicide because of ragging, in the last two years. The State-wise details are as under:
- Sl. Name of the Institution

State

No. student

- 1) Chintumoni Dimoria College, Assam Ranjit District Morigaon Bordoloi (Assam)
- 2) Prashant Fergusson College, Maharashtra Chitalkar Pune (Maharashtra)
- 3) Satyendra Advanced Training Maharashtra Kumar Institute, Mumbai(Maharashtra)
- 4) Abhishek SRM University, Modi Uttar Sahai Nagar Campus, Delhi Pradesh Meerut Road (Uttar Pradesh)
- 5) R. Harini Vivekananda Women's Tamil Nadu Educational Institution, Elayampalyam, Tiruchengode (Tamil Nadu)
- (c) & (d): University Grants Commission has notified "The UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009" on 17th June 2009. The regulations are available in the public domain at www.ugc.ac.in/ragging. These regulations require higher educational institutions to take effective steps in order to sensitize students on the dehumanizing effects of ragging and generate awareness among all stakeholders regarding the penal laws applicable to incidents of ragging. Similarly, other Statutory Councils responsible for maintenance of standards of education, such as AICTE, MCI, etc. have also notified regulations in this regard.

Also, a toll-free anti-ragging 'Helpline' launched by UGC on 20th June 2009, has Call Centre facilities in English, Hindi and regional languages (Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Kannada, Punjabi, Marathi, Oriya, Assamese, Gujarati and Bengali) to help victims of ragging, besides facilitating an effective action in respect of such incidents.