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.