

Voice Youth Unite for Tomorrow against Ragging

On 14th August 2024, the Department of Law under the Faculty of Management and Commerce at Baba Mastnath University organized an impactful event titled "*Voice Youth Unite for Tomorrow Against Ragging*". The program was led by the convener, Dr. Komal Rani, and co-convener, Dr. Suman Pahal, with active participation from 11 attendees. This department-level initiative aimed to raise awareness about the societal and institutional menace of ragging and foster a culture of mutual respect and dignity among students.

The event commenced with an opening address by Dr. Komal Rani, who emphasized the critical need to address ragging as a harmful social practice that undermines students' mental well-being and academic growth. The participants engaged in thought-provoking discussions and case studies that highlighted the adverse consequences of ragging on individuals and institutions. This interactive approach ensured active engagement and allowed attendees to reflect on their roles in creating a ragging-free environment.

Dr. Suman Pahal facilitated a collaborative session where participants brainstormed actionable strategies to promote a safe and inclusive campus culture. Emphasis was placed on the importance of peer support, institutional frameworks, and legal measures to combat ragging effectively.



Ragging remains a pressing issue in academic institutions, often leading to severe psychological, emotional, and even physical harm to students. This event not only raised awareness but also empowered participants with the knowledge and tools to take a stand against this practice. By fostering a sense of responsibility and camaraderie among students, the initiative aimed to create a harmonious academic environment that nurtures growth and inclusivity.

From a broader perspective, this event aligns with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly SDG 4 (Quality Education), SDG 16 (Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions), and SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being). By addressing the issue of ragging, the program contributed to creating safe, equitable, and supportive educational spaces, essential for achieving sustainable development and societal progress.

The event saw the active participation of 11 individuals, including faculty members and students. Despite its modest size, the program's impact was profound, as it initiated critical conversations around ragging and its ramifications. The participants left the event with a renewed sense of purpose and commitment to fostering a ragging-free academic community.

The *"Voice Youth Unite for Tomorrow Against Ragging"* event was a significant step towards promoting awareness and action against ragging within the academic community. By encouraging dialogue and empowering participants to champion the cause, the Department of Law reaffirmed its commitment to ensuring a safe, inclusive, and respectful learning environment. This initiative reflects the university's dedication to upholding values of justice and equity while contributing to the global vision of sustainable and peaceful communities.