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"Ragging Ruins"

"On the evening of May 7th, 2009, a night jined in my memory, an incident of immense horror transpired. We had been informed that ragging was a form of interaction, a notion reiterated from time to time. Yet, that particular night defied all expectations.

Intoxicated & reckless, four seniors knocked on my door. Overwhelmed with dread yet feeling undeniable sense of duty, I reluctantly opened the door. They subjected me to physical violence, mercilessly, pounding and forcing me to the ground. I wanted to retaliate back.

Alas!! the reality was daunting - how could a 19 year old like myself confront these seniors? And then

in an instant, my world turned back dark, silence enveloping everything. Little did I realise, that would be final moment I gazed upon the world.

The following morning, I found myself admitted to the hospital, battling a brain hemorrhage, struggling relentlessly to cling to life with every passing moment. Despite my valiant efforts, the fight proved insurmountable & I faltered in my pursuit of survival."

I am or I was Aman Kachroo, I was also Pon Navarasu & Akash Aggarwal & countless other victims of this tragic fate. I was a son, a brother, a friend and ultimately reduced to a mere pawn in this heart wrenching narrative.

The pain was not something only I endured, but something my family along with all the students jeered to endure.

Ragging is not just mere violence, it serves as a means for shallow individuals to falsely attain a sense of achievement. This accomplishment is rooted

in depravity, marked by brutality & barbarism.

The bond between seniors & juniors shows mirror that of siblings, rather than resembling that of a master and servant. What often escapes our attention is that the master was once a servant, perpetuating an unbreakable cycle.

"I encountered pain, so shall I let others encounter pain."

An ethos most seniors follow who are masochist (someone who pleasures in others pain).

But we forget to appreciate the ones who break the cycle, who choose non-violence, who follow.

"I encountered pain, so shall I shield others from encountering pain."

An ethos benefited seniors follow.

Ragging does not bring anything to the table of service, it eliminates the basis of belief in humanity & sanity.

Lets embrace the stance against ragging & foster positive connections with both seniors & juniors.

"Ragging should never be treated as a mere game with juniors, it constitutes a crime against the innocent."

Thank You.