Women's Grievance Redressal Committee / Internal Complaints Committee

Introduction

Committee against sexual harassment of women at workplace

Sexual harassment is an act of human rights violation. WHEREAS sexual harassment results in violation of the fundamental rights of a woman to equality under articles 14 and 15 of the Constitution of India and her right to life and to live with dignity under article 21 of the Constitution and right to practice any profession or to carry on any occupation, trade or business with includes a right to a safe environment free from sexual harassment

THE SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE (PREVENTION, PROHIBITION AND REDRESSAL) ACT, 2013 ACT NO. 14 OF 2013

It is an Act to provide protection against sexual harassment of women at workplace and for the prevention and redressal of complaints of sexual harassment and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

The Women's Grievance Redressal Committee / Internal Complaints Committee in K. J. Somaiya Medical College & Hospital was established in 2014, to deal with the complaints of sexual harassment at workplace in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the Supreme Court of India in 1997, relating to sexual harassment of women workers at work places and female students of the college.

We also have a counselling cell in our hospital for all it's staff and employees to provide counselling in matters related to complaints of sexual harassment at workplace

Aims: Prevention, Prohibition and Protection against sexual harassment of women at work place.

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Role of the Committee:

- 1. To ensure that no women staff and female students shall be subjected to sexual harassment at workplace and college campus
- 2. To spread awareness towards sensitization of the female students, staff and faculty members against sexual harassment at work place.

- 3. To follow the guidelines of the POSH Act 2013, for prevention, prohibition and redressal of sexual harassment at workplace.
- 4. To maintain strict confidentiality of any complaint and redressal procedure.

Procedure for lodging a complaint:

- The complaint can be send via an e-mail or hand written letter addressed to the dean and chairperson of WGRC/ICC.
- All relevant evidences, documents and names of the witnesses if available should be mentioned in the complaint.
- The complaint should be made within a period of three months from the occurrence of the incident.
- The complaint will be dealt within a stipulated time limit as per the provisions made in the POSH Act, 2013 maintaining strict confidentiality.

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