## Students' Grievance Redressal Cell

## Vethathiri Maharishi College of Yoga

The **Students' Grievance Redressal Cell (SGRC)** at Vethathiri Maharishi College of Yoga has been established in accordance with the guidelines of the **University Grants Commission (Grievance Redressal) Regulations**, to provide a transparent and responsive mechanism for redressing student grievances. Rooted in the **yogic values of empathy, non-violence, and ethical conduct**, the Cell ensures a student-centric approach to addressing academic, administrative, and personal concerns in a timely and just manner.

# **Objectives**

- To ensure a safe, respectful, and supportive learning environment for all students.
- To resolve student complaints and concerns with fairness, transparency, and compassion.
- To promote student participation in constructive dialogue and institutional improvement.
- To align grievance redressal with the **principles of harmony and self-regulation** advocated by Yogic philosophy.

# **Scope of Grievances Handled**

- Academic issues (e.g., exam-related grievances, attendance, curriculum delivery)
- Administrative concerns (e.g., hostel facilities, library services, transport, canteen)
- Harassment or misbehavior, if any, on campus
- Financial issues (e.g., scholarship delays, fee disputes)
- Any other issues affecting student well-being and academic experience

## Structure of the Grievance Redressal Cell

**Designation** Role

Chairperson (Senior Faculty) Head of SGRC

Faculty Representatives (2–3 members) Nominated from various departments

Designation	Role
Student Representative	Final-year nominee
Administrative Officer	Member Secretary
Principal (Ex-Officio Member)	Advisory Role

## **Grievance Redressal Mechanism**

#### 1. Submission of Grievance:

Students may submit their grievances:

- o Through a email ID
- o Using the **Grievance Redressal Form** available on the college website
- By dropping a written complaint into the sealed grievance box placed in the administrative block

## 2. Acknowledgment and Review:

- o Grievances are acknowledged within 48 hours.
- The Cell convenes meetings within 7 working days of receiving the complaint.

# 3. Resolution and Reporting:

- o Each grievance is investigated with impartiality and confidentiality.
- Recommendations and solutions are communicated in writing to the student.
- Serious issues are escalated to higher authorities or referred to other statutory bodies if needed.

# 4. Follow-Up and Feedback:

- o The Cell ensures that the resolution is effectively implemented.
- Students are encouraged to provide feedback on the grievance-handling process.

## **Guiding Principles Based on Yogic Values**

- Ahimsa (Non-Violence): Ensuring non-hostile resolution of conflicts.
- Satya (Truthfulness): Promoting honesty in expression and accountability.
- Shanti (Peace): Fostering calm and balanced dialogue in grievance handling.

• Santosha (Contentment): Helping students feel heard and valued in their academic journey.

# **Awareness and Outreach**

- Regular orientation sessions are conducted for new students on grievance redressal procedures.
- Information about the SGRC is displayed prominently on the college notice board and website.
- Workshops and seminars on emotional intelligence, yogic conflict resolution, and interpersonal ethics are organized periodically.