

RESCUE JUNCTION – Koderma

Project Progress and Renewal – 2026



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Project Background

- Extension of the Rescue Junction project in Gaya – adopting their model for Koderma; a major station on Delhi-Calcutta railway line located in an extremely poor tribal area
- Objective is to support under-privileged children who are at high risk for child-trafficking, child-labor and child-abuse
- Provide them with basic necessities – food, shelter, education and most-importantly PROTECTION!
- The early intervention approach has proved to be the key to prevent children “disappearing” in to beggary, child labor or prostitution, and many a times to crime (juvenile justice system)
- Rescue Junction has a remarkable record of rehabilitation of these children and/or reintroducing them to the education system

Project Highlights

- Support up to 50 children aged between 3 and 17.5 years and have had **over 700 direct child interventions** since April 2019 (58.8% male and 41.2% female); Currently there are **17 children at the center – 10 boys, 7 girls**
- Before Rescue Junction, these **kids survived by begging, rag-picking, collecting/stealing coal and selling petty goods/food or would get abused/trafficked to illicit activities**
- **Established a small outreach center** (state and central government approved) that offers shelter, basic education, support and care; Currently have a **staff of 9 people, trained at Gaya; now working full-time in Koderma**
- A key part of the process is the **toll free 1098 childline number** to report suspicions of abuse or for children to call for immediate help and assistance
- Work closely with police and local authorities and even during the pandemic, typhoon and floods, Childline and Rescue Junction **have been fully functional** (considered as Emergency Services)

Project Progress Since 8/2025

- Playing a key role to prevent child trafficking and beggary; by intervening at the Koderma railway station and slum areas in the vicinity
- Several kids enrolled in the government scheme and receiving education; Rescue Junction team played a vital role in motivating the parents / relatives of the kids
- Have had a total of 62 rehabilitations since the last update (2025); 22 females and 40 males ranging from age 6 years to 17 years
- Currently helping kids who have inadvertently come under the juvenile justice system to re-establish them within the community
- Educating / creating awareness against child labor and child marriage which is still "normal" in those rural areas
- Rescue Junction – Koderma was awarded an appreciation certificate for the work of child protection in the district by the chairman of Legislative Assembly and Ex-Chief Minister of Bihar

Budget – Funds Request 2026

OPERATING BUDGET: Drop in and emergency centre for children in urgent need and distress at Koderma					
	Itemized Description		Per Month	Per Month	Total budget
1	Salary	Project Manager	21,000.00	100,000.00	1,200,000.00
		Three Worker @ 12,000	36,000.00		
		Lady Counsellor	11,000.00		
		Care taker	9,000.00		
		Night Guard	8,000.00		
		Cook with assistant	15,000.00		
2	House Rent			15,000.00	180,000.00
3	Food Cost			10,000.00	120,000.00
4	Telephone Cost			500.00	6,000.00
5	Electricity Bill			1,500.00	18,000.00
6	Travel Cost for restoration or transfer child to R.J			5,600.00	67,200.00
7	Legal and Stamp papers			500.00	6,000.00
8	Administration and Evaluation Cost (incl. Staff travel from Office or R.J.)			10,000.00	120,000.00
9	Clothes			5,000.00	60,000.00
10	Miscellaneous Cost			1,000.00	12,000.00
Total Budget (Aug 2026 to July 2027)				149,100.00	1,789,200.00

Project Pictures



Rescue Junction team members interacting with the kids at the Koderma Junction

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Kids learning at the Rescue Junction center in Koderma

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Meeting with the Child Welfare Committee at Koderma

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Kids celebrating the Indian festival for Holi at the Rescue Junction center in Koderma

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Kids celebrating Christmas at the Rescue Junction center in Koderma



Thank You!

