

People First Educational Charitable Trust – Rescue Junction Site Visit Notes

The site-visit was performed by Mr. Ashish Jain (saketgaya@gmail.com) of One World Children's Fund on May 2nd, 2017. Mr. Jain visited the Rescue Junction site in Bodh Gaya that rescue underprivileged children from Gaya railway station and prevent the kids from getting into hands of flesh-trade and begging mafia. Moreover, the organisation in addition to providing basic necessities such as food, clothing and shelter, also provide basic education/training. Additionally, since some kids have run from their homes, the organization tries to connect the kids with their families with the help of local agencies.

Mr. Jain met with Mr. Deepak Kumar who manages the Rescue Junction and who showed him around the entire facility.

Mr. Jain met with 38 kids (16 girls and 22 boys) who all were quite content and happy. There were 7 support staff – sufficient for all the kids. There were classes being run and kids were provided with books and stationery. The art/craft-work of past and present kids was displayed. Staff from nearby schools as well as the schools themselves have collaborated with the Rescue Junction to provide education to kids.

Mr. Deepak Kumar has been running Rescue Junction since 2004 and operates 24hrs a day, 7 days a week. They have a lot of respect in the area and amongst local agencies. The railway staff as well as the local police contact them first when they identify an underprivileged child. The staff was very professional and dedicated in serving the kids. The Rescue Junction recently launched a "childline" – a dedicated phone line to offer prompt service in the event of identifying an underprivileged child. People and government officials are well aware of the childline and make use of it.

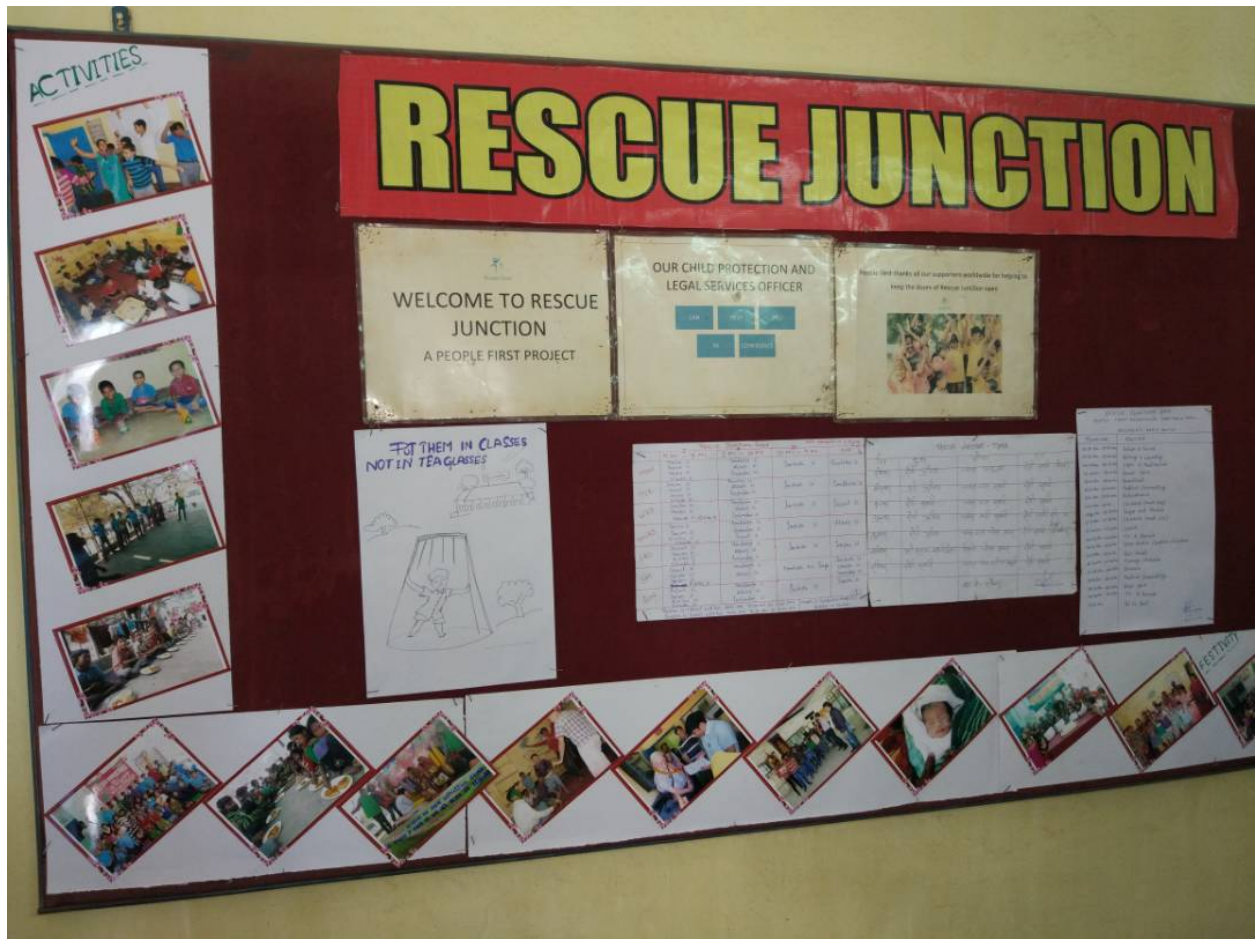
Overall, Mr. Jain was impressed and very satisfied with the work done at the Rescue Junction. My chat with him has made me satisfied with the site-visit and I feel confident about the services offered by Rescue Junction.



Notice board informing public to contact Rescue Junction Childline if anyone observes an underprivileged child in need



Main entrance of Rescue Junction at Bodh Gaya



Pictures and art-work of children displayed on one of many notice boards at the Rescue Junction in Bodh Gaya



Some of many girls rescued by the Rescue Junction, Bodh Gaya. At the back, one of the female care-takers can be seen

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Some of many young boys rescued by the Rescue Junction, Bodh Gaya. Again, a care-taker can be seen standing on the left hand side



Pictures showcasing achievements and festivity pictures at the Rescue Junction