Q Did you approach any other organization for funding Koderma junction?

A. No we have not.

Q. What is the contingency plan you mentioned about?

A. The Trust is retaining 5% of all unrestricted general funds to meet contingencies. We

intend to access these funds if necessary with governing board approval often combined

with special appeals if required for project continuity.

Q. As Koderma junction is in the state of Jharkhand what challenges you will face?

A. There will be challenges, but we welcome them. We will need to establish links and

positive relationships with the local administration, local police and judiciary, the

community in general including schools and local railway officials. The Trust has

considerable experience from Rescue Junction and has developed strategies to involve all

sections of the local community.

Q. Why didn't you choose any other stations at Bihar as you have proved in Bihar and you

are familiar with state administration?

Q You mentioned 30 children how did you come to this number? How was the survey

done?

A. Koderma is the nearest big station on the mainline between Delhi and Calcutta which

runs through Gaya. Rescue Junction already covers a large area of the line and many

smaller stations. We have carefully assessed the need and there is a need at Koderma

for an outreach center based on several criteria. There is a significant resident population

of children living on the station. Figures like these are very difficult to accurately ascertain

because by their very nature these children move around from station to station. However

we spent a period of six months visiting the area and the station regularly to determine

the situation there. We also spent some time with the railway police who confirmed that

the station and surrounding area is a center for child trafficking. We also considered

practical considerations like transport and the number of trains from Gaya that stop at the

station, and how we would work across the state boundaries and establish strong lines of

communication. Based on our experience at Rescue Junction we welcome these challenges

and are confident that we can work very effectively at Koderma.

Q Do you have idea of appointing liaison officer at Jharkhand also? If so how long will it take?

A. Not at this time. We may consider this option in the future as the Koderma outreach center develops.