



GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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TOUR REPORT By

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Location:

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| PLACE OF VISIT | ANDHERI, BORIVALI & VASHI STATIONS, MUMBAI |
| PURPOSE OF VISIT | To Monitor the Child Abuse in Railways Vicinity |
| VISIT BY | Dr Yogesh Dube |
| Date & Time | 27.12.10 & 29.12.10 11-1 PM |

A. Background:

In order to ascertain information on Child Labor and Child Abuse on Railway Vicinity we have Visited to

- Andheri
- Borivali as both stations are Junctions and lots of Children's from Various parts of India they come as Runway Child from the respective Homes.

B. Location:

Visit to the Platforms of Suburban Railways

Officials in the Meeting:

During the visit i met the following persons:

| Person | People attended the meeting | | |
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| | Central Officials | Name | Designations |
| | | Dr Yogesh Dube | Member, NCPDR |
| | State Officials | Name | Designations |
| | | Ashwini Dighe, Child Welfare & Women Organization | District Child Welfare Officer |
| | Others | Mr. Fernandez/Mr. Gupta | Railway Station Manager Andheri/Borivali |
| | | Mr. Yadav | R.P.F Station In charge |
| | | Satya veer Singh | DCM (Divisional Commercial Manager) |

C. INSPECTION, OBSERVATION & SUGGESTION OF ORGANISATION

Some of the critical observation done while visit of the organization

Local Stalls:

Visit made to each and every stall to find the children's working in the stalls.

Some of the stalls are having Children's who are physically less than 16 yrs. We identified stalls where child less than 16 yrs were working.

Both this Childs came from Dist. Madhubani, Bihar to earn and provide support their respective Family. Detail discussion leads to understand the problems are that most of the Children they are coming from the Bihar State to support their family.

They are working in the stall since 6-7 month and Vendor is giving Rs 80 on daily basis with no working Schedules. Some time they work from Morning 7 AM to 11 PM. We have discussed with the Vendors and they were not having any idea of Child Abuse.

This incidence is brought into the notice of the RPF Police & local Railway Staff.

Discussion with the Officials:

Railway staff especially RPF has never taken any initiative to identify the Child labour in the Railway Vicinity.

Discussion pertaining to identify the Children's less than 16 yrs done. Role of the RPF & Local Railway official also discussed.

Vashi railway station has been visited without informing the officials to identify the child Abuses. In observation Child abuse prevails in Vashi Station.

Suggestion:

1. Monitoring of the child less than 16 yrs on periodic basis such that same can be prevented.
2. Regular awareness Camp
3. Joint meeting with the Railway officials and NGO shall be taken to identify the problems and removal of the problems.

CONCLUSIONS:

- **Commission should direct railway authority and local official to take strict actions against the vendors which were identified during the visit.**
- **Licensing and further suitable action needs to be done to all the vendors who are having child abuse/child labor in stalls.**
- **Strict Directions to the Railway Government officials to assist in identifying the Child abuse.**
- **There is a need for strong support to Education/awareness to local Vendors and Government officials with active presence & support of NGO/external agency.**
- **Promoting better rehabilitation programs for immediate identification of the Child Abuses and effective control by providing the reports to the Commission to reduce the Child abuse cases.**
- **There are needs for inter ethnic group dialog, reconciliation with the assistance of the NGOs.**

D. PHOTO GALLERY:

Discussion session



Child which are found on the plateforms

