

Child protection & RTE Act implementation discussed



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The Nedan Foundation, Kokrajhar based Child Rights institution has organized jointly with BTC one-day consultation [workshop](#) with all duty bearers from BTC administration and other CSOs for the holistic development of underprivileged children at Central Institute of [Technology](#) (CIT) in Kokrajhar on Thursday.

The Nedan Foundation has been strengthening mutual collaboration with stakeholders also collaborative partnership on the proper implementation ICPS in Kokrajhar district;

The consultation was inaugurated by lighting the lamp by the invited [chief](#) guest Girim Bhuiya (CHD) social [welfare](#), Birdao [narzary](#) (SSA coordinator), Amarsing Brahma (BEEO Kachugaon), Swmdwn [Narzary](#) (BEEO Kokrajhar) and core members of CPC from various displaced locations.

Digambar [Narzary](#), chairman of Nedan was put forward of the objective of the consultation. [Narzary](#) stated that mechanism and maintenance of child protection and challenges that today's children were facing. He also added that this BTC consultation isn't for blaming each other instead it is for jointly working together for sustainability and empowerment of society.

Bhuiya has also said that schemes related to children [welfare](#) and sustainability. He also added that the schemes like ICDS should function well and effective for the children.

“The demand should come from public regarding the issues faced by children and [community](#)”, said Amarsing Brahma, BEEO- Kachugaon). The school equipment and infrastructure should have available in respective school also should provide protective and learning environment. The tribal people and other backward classes were not aware of how maintenance could be?, he added.

Swmdwn [Narzary](#),BEEO Kokrajhar said about the challenges faced in implementation of RTE [Act](#). He also added we that we people are the government so it is the time we can initiate and seek forward children's development and their entitlement [rights](#).

The Convention defines a 'child' [as](#) a person below the age of 18, unless the laws of a particular country set the legal age for adulthood younger. The Convention applies to all children, whatever their race, religion or abilities; whatever they think or say, whatever type of family they come from. Child Protection is about protecting children from or [against](#) any risk to their life and their childhood. It is about reducing their vulnerability to any kind of harm and ensuring that no child falls out of the protective and social safety net and that those who do, receive necessary care, protection and support so [as](#) to bring them back into the safety net. Countless children are been exploited, trafficked, molested, abducted and neglected also abused; these issues happened just because of conflict and riots hits in the BTC. [As](#) countless children are remained such [as](#) socially excluded, illiterate and abused also their [rights](#) and entitlements are been exploited; here Nedan foundation is taking initiative to empower and letting children to move out from risks zone to comfort zone in collaboratively with BTC administration and others CSOs.

On the one day consultation, many things have been covered/ discussed with various stakeholders from BTC administration [Social welfare](#) BTC, education Department BTC, Child protection unit from Kokrajhar. The discussion took places on various issues related to children development and well being such [as](#) exploitation, trafficking, violation of [rights](#), abduction, child labour, abuse, child marriages and other forms of issues, besides discussed about the mechanism issues in BTC related to RTE [Act](#) implementation in forest encroachment villages like [Ultapani](#), Saralpara and Lungsung. The consultation also really figured out RTE [Act](#) 2009 in details. The SMC roles and functions were also discussed in a very well and effective way.

This one day BTC consultation brings out some recommendation such [as](#) [training](#) for [SMS](#) on RTE [Act](#)., Life skill [training](#) for adolescents peer groups and child protection [policy](#) for BTC etc.

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