

Ethical travel: Interacting with local children and families

“📄 **Quick Summary: DO NOT** give money, sweets, or gifts directly to children or individuals on the trail.

? Detailed Guidance

The Pekoe Trail winds through estate communities whose trust is built on mutual respect. Giving loose cash or handouts directly to children:

- Encourages school absenteeism.
- Disrupts local family structures and social equity.
- Creates harmful cycles of tourist dependency.

?? Critical Alerts & Requirements

- **How to Give Ethically:** If you wish to make a real impact on the local communities, consider contributing directly to TPTO's structured community development funds, or support local businesses by dining at village eateries and hiring community guides.

? Official Resources

- **Support Local:** [Make a Structured Donation](#)

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