

ETC Assignment 09

Case Study 1:

In November 2008, the Taj Hotel, one of the five-star properties of Tata Group became a target of a terrorist attack. The valour of our policemen helped to kill the terrorist involved but the damage of thousands of crores could not be avoided.

Ratan Tata, the then chairman astounded the world by his exemplary decisions and actions. The available information reveals that everyone affected in this brutal attack was offered compensation, including the pav-bhaji vala that earned his bread and butter near the hotel.

Free education and medical facilities have been offered to the survivors and dependents at Tata Hospitals for the rest of their lives. The list includes 46 children who had to bear the burnt of the attack in one or the other way. A trust has been formed to help rehabilitate the families of the victim of the callous terrorist attack. Not only this, all the 80 families of the employees affected by the bomb blast were personally visited by Mr. Ratan Tata and lakhs of compensation was offered. Reports also claim that rs.10,000 per month is offered to the policemen who were directly or indirectly involved with the attack.

Questions.

1. What makes Ratan Tata different from other businessmen?
2. What good do you find in this passage?
3. Which one is the best example of the activity done by Ratan Tata according to you?
4. Why it is good to value ethics in industry, education, corporate, business, politics etc?
5. “Valuing values can help you earn values”. How this line is suitable to this passage?

Case Study 2:

The Rana Plaza Building in Dhaka, Bangladesh, housed 5 garment factories. On 24 April 2013, the building collapsed and killed more than a thousand people and caused injuries to more than 2500. Underpaid garment workers used to toil there to produce clothing for fashion retailers like H&M and Zara. On multiple occasions, the workers made complaints regarding the security of the building which were completely unheard by the authority. The attention of the authority was even drawn to the cracks that had developed on the lower floors of the building but that too was not paid any heed. The incident is considered as one of the worst industrial accidents. Despite the great losses, no compensation was paid considering the tragedy as an employer’s liability only.

It was shared by the chief engineer that; the permit was obtained for a five-storey building only. The extended three stories were completely illegal but that fact was completely ignored by the authority due to the owner’s political connections.

Questions:

1. What is ethically wrong in this passage?
2. What actions should company have taken?
3. Which legal advice has been violated?