

Notification

Subject: Integrating “Compassionate Citizen” Humane-Education Programme in School Curricula

Dear Principals,

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is endorsing the use of “**Compassionate Citizen**”, a humane-education programme prepared by People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA), in CBSE-affiliated schools for children ages 8 to 12 years as part of the schools’ curricula.

Compassionate Citizen is designed to help students develop respect and compassion for animals. The programme offers tools and lesson plans to teach children to view animals as feeling, sensitive beings. Although ideal for children ages 8 to 12 years, the programme can also be used with other age groups and in languages, science, social studies, environmental and values education curricula. Compassionate Citizen is also perfect for use in eco clubs in schools.

The programme consists of a teacher’s guide, reproducible activity sheets, a reading unit with adaptations from true animal stories and a 28-minute video with remarkable animal footage. It is divided into four different sections that can be turned into complete lessons to generate a classroom discussion about:

- The Amazing World of Animals
- Animals and Their Feelings
- Changing Times, Changing Minds
- Making Humane Choices

The programme is designed to be included in the monthly curriculum as an extracurricular activity day; you may also choose to use it as part of a one-day workshop. You can download the worksheets from the www.cbseacademic.in . To order a full copy of the Compassionate Citizen pack with video, you can write directly to PETA at PujaM@petaindia.org. To learn more about the programme, please visit CompassionateCitizen.com.

With best wishes,

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