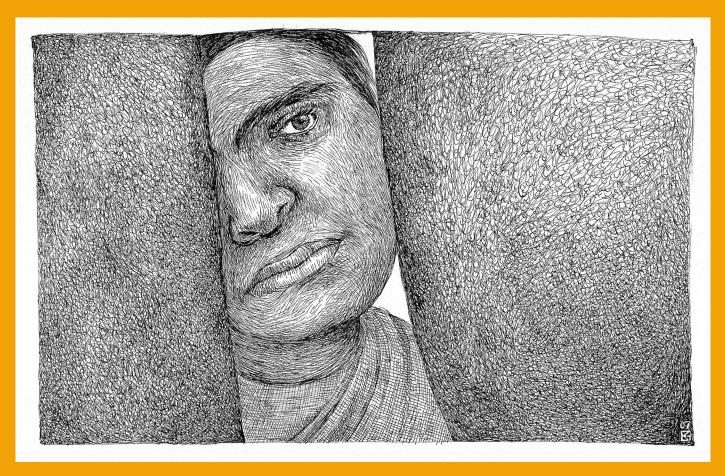
## STEAM

## VISION

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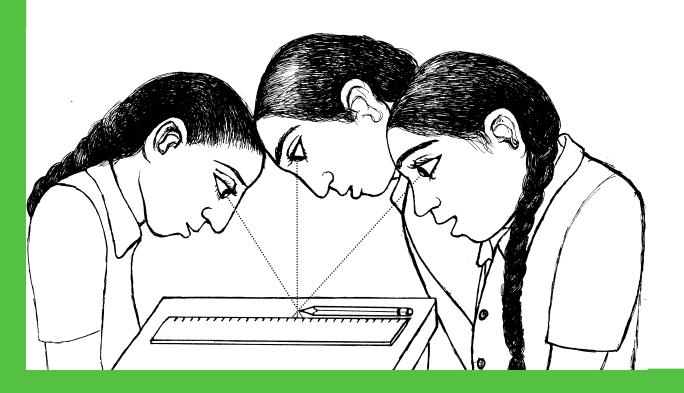
#### To define a vision, we need a framework

#### Define a framework based on:

What do we mean by SCIENCE?

What do we mean by EDUCATION?

Do people need SCIENCE EDUCATION? If so why?



#### To define a vision, we need a framework

HBCSE is based on the synergy:



I try to combine all 3 aspects in my work



What is science?

# BODY OF KNOWLEDGE:





What is science?

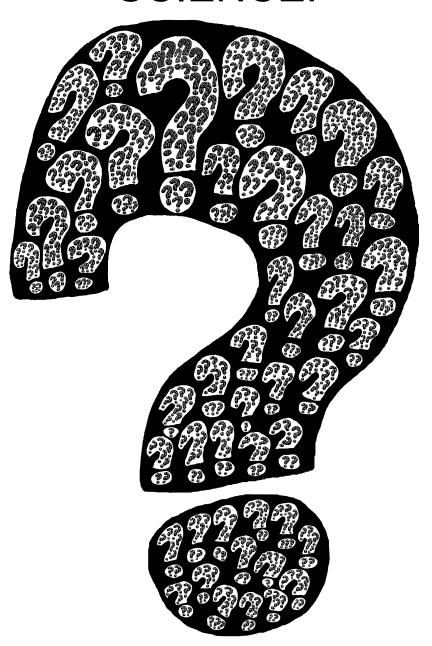
# BODY OF KNOWLEDGE:





Science is NOT just a 'body of knowledge'

#### SCIENCE:



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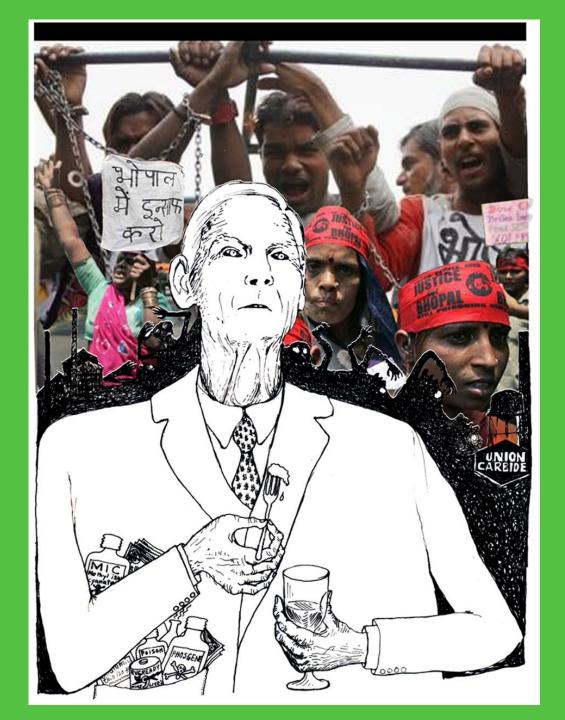
Science is is a continuous and progressive process of asking questions and searching for answers by observing, hypothesizing, modelling, testing, analysing, comparing, communicating, reasoning, requestioning ... etc. (with variations in order, etc)

#### Main areas of work in the STEAM Lab:

- (1) Art & science: Visual learning & teaching
- (2) Using contradictions in teaching
- (3) [The cultivation of cultivation]
- (4) Teacher education
- (5) Formative assessment in constructivist teaching
- (6) Learning / teaching about evolution by natural selection
- (7) Development and environmental issues in higher secondary science teaching
- (8) Open-beginninged science explorations







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Science has the potential of being used for human progress, agriculture, peace, and to help prevent ecological problems, rather than for militarisation, corporate profit, or fascism.

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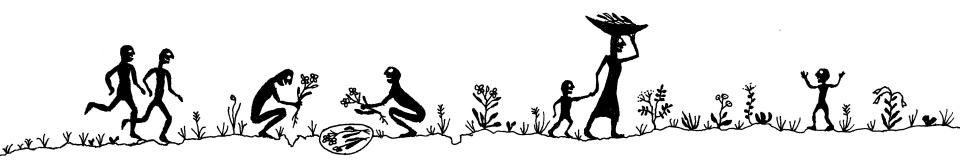
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# LEARNING / TEACHING about evolution by natural selection

#### CRITIQUE & IMPACT (Am I on target according to plans?):

- Different perspective and conclusions
- Textbook analysis completed & published useful...
- Many workshops, extensive testing and revising (outreach)
- · Useful material and methods produced, tested, revised
- Development of activities very slow work continues
- One more paper to complete in next 4 months
- Large book coming along (delayed by doubt...)



# LEARNING / TEACHING about evolution by natural selection

#### **SUGGESTIONS for HBCSE:**

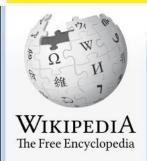
- Encourage more creative, innovative work in areas which are not supported by run-of-the mill ('worldclass') institutions
- Since only 5% of Indians speak english, encourage more publications in other languages
- Develop more and better quality ways to publish articles on research & pedagogy - and create 2-way communication with our real peers - teachers



#### **SUGGESTIONS for HBCSE:**

#### Write in wikipedia

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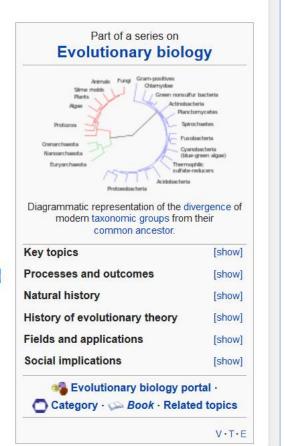
Natural selection

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For other uses, see Natural Selection (disambiguation).

Natural selection is the gradual process by which biological traits become either more or less common in a population as a function of the effect of inherited traits on the differential reproductive success of organisms interacting with their environment. It is a key mechanism of evolution. The term "natural selection" was popularized by Charles Darwin, who intended it to be compared with artificial selection, now more commonly referred to as selective breeding.

Variation exists within all populations of organisms. This occurs partly because random mutations occur in the genome of an individual organism, and these mutations can be passed to offspring. Throughout the individuals' lives, their genomes interact with their environments to cause variations in traits. (The environment of a genome includes the molecular biology in the cell, other cells, other individuals, populations, species, as well as the abiotic environment.) Individuals with certain variants of the trait may survive and reproduce more than individuals with other, less successful, variants. Therefore the population evolves. Factors that affect reproductive success are also important, an issue that Charles Darwin developed in his ideas on sexual selection, for example.



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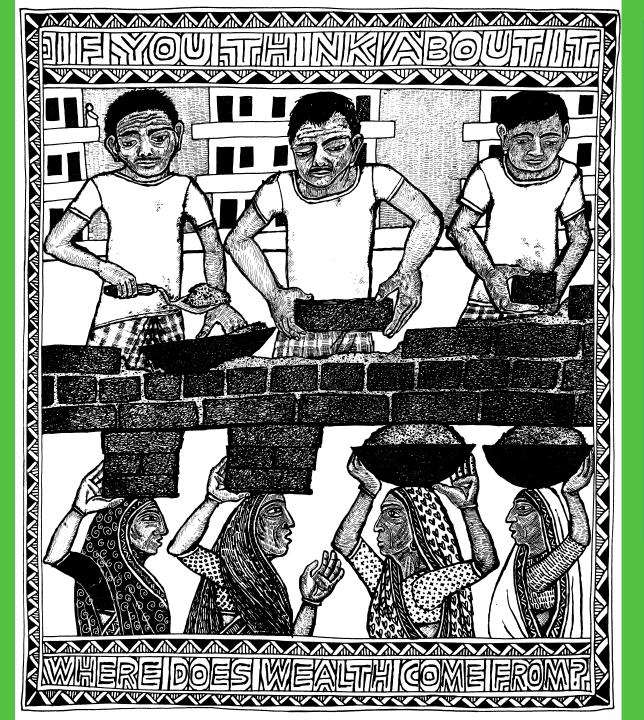
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Education for all is needed in order to create a "sovereign socialist secular democratic republic", in accordance with the Constitution of India. Science education also includes efforts to help students understand their rights and responsibilities in all these areas.



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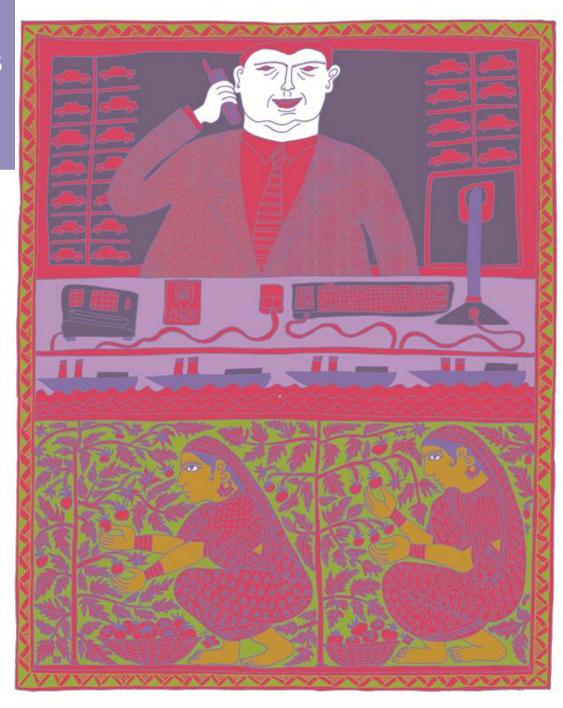
Education is needed not to maintain the statusquo, but to learn how to play an active, creative part in transforming the world - for social justice, liberty, and equality

# Development and Environmental Issues in Higher Secondary Science Teaching

What perspectives are taken towards the conflict between ecology and economy (definition, cause & solution):

- in policy statements?
- in science textbooks?
- by 3 teachers in Indore, as shown through interviews & classroom observations?

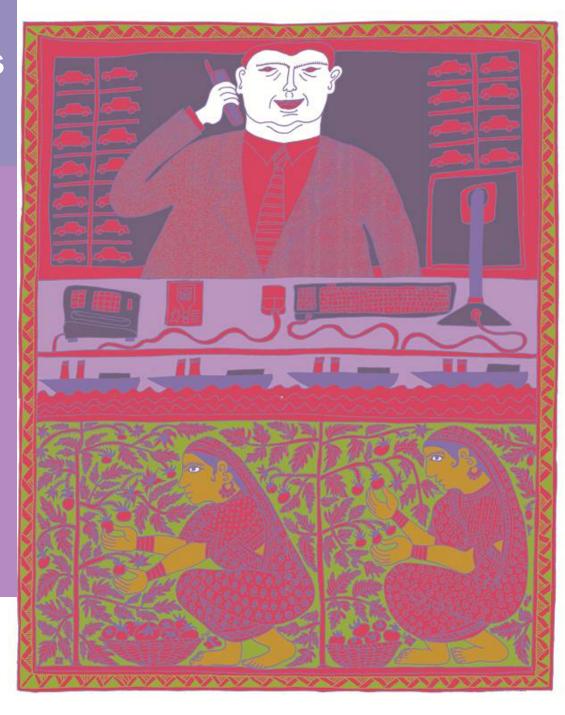
Himanshu Srivastava (fieldwork project)



Development and Environmental Issues in Higher Secondary Science Teaching

#### **CRITIQUE & IMPACT:**

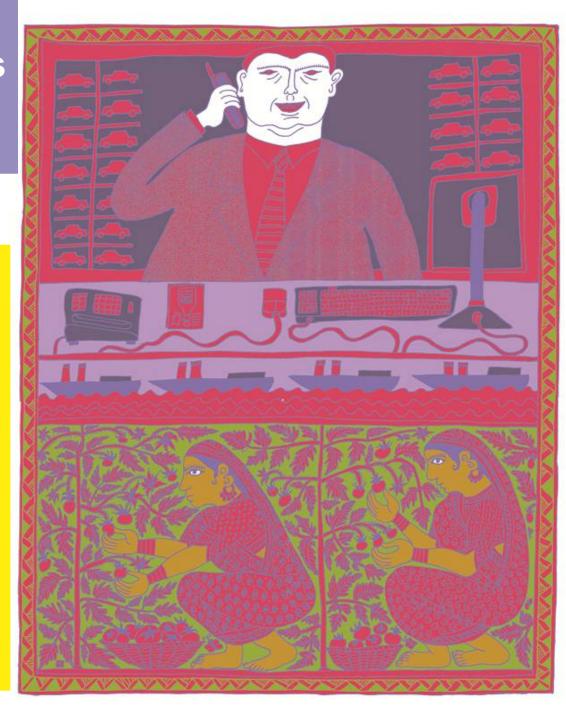
- Only 3 case studies
- More follow-up of interviews required
- Consider social science textbooks also?
- Article being written,
- Presentation at CESI



Development and Environmental Issues in Higher Secondary Science Teaching

## SUGGESTIONS for HBCSE:

- Do more research, development, & outreach in social sciences
- Do more analysis of policy
- Do more advocacy for science education



C

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## F

In order to stand for education for all, we need to stand against the stratification, commodification, and privatisation of education -

We need to work for national policies and government schools which are in the interests of the unprivileged and against the maintenance of privilege and ableism.

G

Science education is necessary for the development of scientific temper - for "...the refusal to accept anything without testing and trial, the capacity to change previous conclusions in the face of new evidence, the reliance on observed fact and not on preconceived theory, the hard discipline of the mind—all this is necessary, not merely for the application of science but for life itself and the solution of its many problems." (Nehru)



## Open-beginninged science explorations

Problem: students are not DOING science...

- Can middle school students learn science by defining their own questions, and areas of exploration?
- Can students construct a scientific method of answering their own questions?
- What role should teachers play?
- How can open-beginninged science be assessed?

Gurinder Singh & KK Mishra



### Open-beginninged science explorations

#### CRITIQUE & IMPACT:

- Work in home area is good idea
- Research will include outreach (teaching)
- Development of material and methods is good idea



## Open-beginninged science explorations

## SUGGESTIONS for HBCSE:

- All members should do more teaching & varied teaching, especially with the most oppressed students
- More hands-on work to define research projects
- more collaboration between WILLING faculty







