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Annual BALA JANAAGRAHA Meet 2013-14

Janaagraha Centre for Citizenship and Democracy (JCCD) is hosting its annual Bala Janaagraha Meet 2013-14 on the 8th February, 2014 at the Devaraj Urs Bhavan, No 16-D, Miller's Tank Bed Area, Vasanthanagar, Bangalore 560052.

The theme for the meet is **'Is society creating responsible future citizens?'**. The meet has been organized to create awareness on this vital issue in society. Papers are being presented by speakers from different walks of life including heads of schools/NGO's working in the field of education from across India.

The chief guest for the event will be renowned vocalist, Chairperson – Citi Academy for Special Education and founder of Maitree, Mala Ramadorai. Mehar S, Director of the Institute of Experiential Learning will be moderating the event.

Principals/HMs and Vice Principals/Senior teachers from a large number of schools, as well as educationists in Bangalore are expected to participate in this meet. The targeted audience will be oriented to the philosophy and concept of the Bala Janaagraha program, against the larger context of Janaagraha's overall approach to improving quality of life in Urban India.

The main objective for organizing this event was to have a platform for educationists across the city and other urban centres in the country to come under one roof and exchange views/ideas and come to a practical approach on nurturing the young as a valuable citizen. Civic values / responsibilities and being an active citizen starts from the early years and these values are ingrained while they are at school. Principals are the true principle changing agents to the society.

Janaagraha firmly believes that schools and communities have a duty to nurture moral and social compass in students and guide them into being responsible citizens. **Bala Janaagraha**, one of the flagship programs of Janaagraha is a uniquely designed practical Civic education Program aimed at empowering Class VIII students with knowledge, skills and values necessary to take social ownership and moral responsibility in the process of creating a better future for themselves in the society.

'Transforming today's children into active Citizens of tomorrow'