**Grade 8, History PBL – A Guideline**

**January 2013**

**Topic: GLOBAL ISSUES**

The global community is faced with major challenges like:-

* Terrorism
* Population explosion
* Environmental degradation
* Poverty and hunger

Choose **any** **one topic** from the list given above

**What to do:**

1. Define the term.
2. On an outline map of the world, locate the areas where the problem is intense/most prevalent. (in the case of population explosion, state figures)
3. What factors do you think have contributed to this issue? **Highlight the two most important** in your opinion, giving details.
4. ***From this point on, you will focus on the specific countries mentioned below:-***
* Terrorism – your focus will be the **Kashmir** issue in India
* Population explosion – **China**
* Poverty and hunger – **Ethiopia**
* Environmental degradation **– (due to air, water, land and noise pollution) – The Times of India dated 29th November, 2012 carries an article on the most polluted cities in the world. Bangalore is rated the second most polluted city.** If your choice is environmental degradation, Bangalore will be your focus.
1. When did the problem begin? How intense is the problem? Use **a graph** to show the rise
2. Give **a detailed report** on the problems this issue has caused in the country mentioned. (make extensive use of pictures, newspaper /magazine articles, interviews, graphs etc.)
3. Think up **three possible solutions** to help deal with the issue. Include **details.**
4. Mention **the role/effort of the UN** in solving the issue.
5. The **effort of the respective governments** in solving the issue.

***CONCLUSION:***

**“What affects one, affects all”.**

Comment on this statement with reference to the topic chosen by you.

**Presentation: SCRAP BOOK**

**Tips:**

* Plan your research
* Follow guidelines
* Avoid lengthy explanation
* Provide evidence

**SUBMISSION DATE:**