

Gandhi said, "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated."

Colonial Australian society is the lowest of the low in its cruelty, disdain, insensitivity and barbarism...

1. profit driven corporations and government are clearing the habitats of our native wildlife at an alarming rate causing climate crisis and mass extinctions that bypass even third world countries
2. inhumane greedy corporations and figurehead government departments are slaughtering billions of our magnificent and ancient kangaroos for profit in the hands of the few
3. ponzi scheme developers and government are put in more roads than any other country in the world but put in no wildlife corridors so that billions more native (including endangered koala) and other animals are killed by vehicle strikes
4. the unsustainable farming sectors put up millions of kilometers of exclusion and cluster fences so that native animals are cut off from their traditional water and food sources
5. cruel factory farms force chickens and pigs into such small spaces they can't turn around and deprive ducks of water so they can't wash their eyes
6. cretinous neanderthals with government backing go out to shoot defenceless animals with guns or bows and arrows and call that sport and recreation
7. traditional animal welfare organisations like RSPCA have given up treating and rehoming domestic animals and have moved into the business of making money for a select few instead.
8. multinational companies with agriculture department support send terrified & defenceless sheep and cattle on a horrifying sea voyage to a destination where those animals have no rights

Why does the Agriculture department issuing live export permits to live exporters when the most basic of animal welfare standards are not being met even on the Australian live export ships, let alone at the destination? I am disgusted and horrified that you as my political representative continue to allow this barbaric practise of providing permits to these sadists that send animals to other countries in these live export ships. It is reminiscent of the slave ships in the 1700/1800s. The people who were making money sending people in deplorable conditions to other countries against their will, were forced to stop by the will of the everyday people. So it has to be again. Even when all regulations are followed, this trade is inherently cruel.

The majority of people love animals, now that we are finding out what is happening behind closed doors, WE DEMAND THAT IT IS STOPPED. I have hope that this new labour government is full of ethical, caring person, who will do everything they can to ensure that this live export business is stopped once and for all.

THIS MUST NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN

The phase-out must begin and end immediately. Every delay means more sheep and cattle subjected to inexcusable suffering – from the daily stresses of sea transport to fully conscious and cruel slaughter in importing countries.

Put animal welfare before corporate profit every time - farmers and export

companies have known that this barbaric practise has to end for years. No more lax application of animal welfare law so that the live export companies can keep make profit.

New Zealand has banned live exports, Australia's international reputation is already in tatters due to the merciless slaughter of are iconic kangaroos. There is no public trust in Australia's agricultural sector, they appear to us to be greedy colonials who treat animals and the land cruelly and with no sense of sustainability. The fires of 2019 and the constant flooding since have allowed the public to see we can't keep allowing farmers to abuse our native wildlife, native bush or other animals/birds/fish.

I have supported Labor for years because unlike liberal/national who are only interested in money, I think labour can be persuaded to do the right thing for animals, the climate, the public and for First Generation Australians.

Yours faithfully,
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