Adopt a lake campaign

- The Lakes of Hyderabad have provided numerous services that have fundamentally supported human health and well-being.
- Exploitation of these water bodies over the years has jeopardized their very existence.
- The vulnerable ecosystems of these disappearing lakes can't afford to wait any longer.
- It's time for action to restore what is remaining!

Time to Act!

- Collective effort by citizens, government agencies and political actors for ensuring eco-friendly. initiative of rejuvenating, preserving and securing lakes
- Organising "social watchdogs" to prevent encroachment and pollution
- Liaisoning with concerned Government agencies for regular maintenance
- Safeguarding channels of rainwater inflows from catchment area
- Preventing misuse of buffer land around a lake

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What is a Lake?

A lake is a natural or person-made(artificial) body of water surrounded by land. Also a habitat for a variety of flora and fauna, a lake is a natural source of water for agriculture and several other economic activities. Lakes provide numerous services that have fundamentally supported human health and well-being for communities.

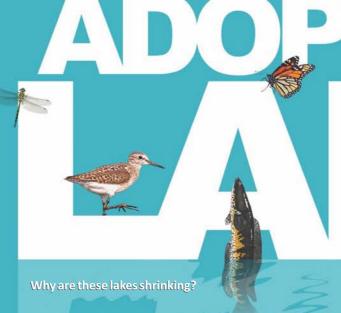


The issue at hand

Most of these water bodies are in varying stages of degradation today, leading to shrinking in their sizes, pollution, and manyatime disappearing completely, jeopardizing not just our sources of usable water, but also the lives of every other living creature that depends on them.







- Rapid urbanization and expansion, without considering environmental resources
- Increasing population and reliance on ground water, crowded and complete claims on ground water
- Filling up of water-bodies for creating land
- Used as dumping grounds for waste and sewage
- Illegal lake-bed sand-mining









What is "adopting a lake"?

Participating in a citizen-based effort, large or small in restoring and reviving a lake

- Volunteering to monitor water quality
- O Identifying storm drains
- Organizing cleanups
- O Planting trees along eroding banks
- Conducting surveillance of encroachments and pollution sources

