The proposed Aqua Marine Park and Aviary in Kothwalguda, Hyderabad, will have severe and harmful consequences for the environment, animals, and humans.
The Aqua Marine park will have a significant water demand, with the aquarium requiring 3 million liters of water and the tunnel tank needing 2 million liters. This extensive water usage, considering the precious nature of water, could have detrimental effects on local waterways and ecosystems.
IT EXACERBATES WATER SCARCITY ISSUES IN THE AREA AND WORSENS CONDITIONS IN REGIONS ALREADY FACING WATER SCARCITY OR Drought. TO PUT IT INTO PERSPECTIVE, **3 MILLION LITERS** OF WATER COULD IRRIGATE A PADDY FARM APPROXIMATELY **1,200 TIMES**.
Facilities like aqua parks and aviaries pose significant threats to the natural wildlife of our country and the world.

These establishments heavily rely on capturing animals from the wild due to limitations in captive breeding, pushing many species dangerously close to extinction.
For example, the Kothwalguda aquarium in question intends to confine an alarming number of **10,000 animals**, including fishes, reptiles, and a multitude of marine and land-based creatures, representing 300 species.
GIVEN THE CURRENT DECLINING TREND IN GLOBAL WILDLIFE, IT IS VITAL TO AVOID PROJECTS THAT WOULD WORSEN THE SITUATION.

- SADLY, HUMANS HAVE ALREADY WIPED OUT 68% OF THE WORLD’S WILDLIFE.
- AROUND 90% OF TOP PREDATOR SPECIES, LIKE SHARKS AND SWORDFISH, HAVE SEEN SIGNIFICANT POPULATION DECLINES.
- IN THE PAST 50 YEARS, FRESHWATER AQUATIC LIFE HAS DECLINED BY 83% WORLDWIDE.
- IN INDIA, 120 FRESHWATER FISH SPECIES ARE THREATENED, WITH 71 ENDANGERED AND 49 VULNERABLE,
- INDIA’S BIRD POPULATION, INCLUDING MIGRATORY BIRDS, HAS DECLINED BY 80% ACCORDING TO THE STATE OF BIRDS’ REPORT 2020.
- GLOBALLY, ALMOST HALF OF ALL BIRD SPECIES ARE DECLINING, WITH ONE IN EIGHT FACING THE THREAT OF EXTINCTION.

AS PER LAKRA ET AL. (2010).
JOIN THE MOVEMENT BY SPREADING THE MESSAGE ABOUT THIS ISSUE AMONG YOUR FRIENDS AND FOLLOWERS ON SOCIAL MEDIA! LET'S UNITE TO RAISE AWARENESS AND PROTECT OUR PRECIOUS NATURAL ECOSYSTEMS.

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Together, let's protect our natural heritage and advocate for change.