

A butterfly with black wings and white spots is perched on a green leaf. The background is a blurred green and brown, suggesting a natural outdoor setting. The text is overlaid in a large, orange, serif font.

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Home garden small but full of life and full of Joy!



Joy everywhere at home or in the wood –nature thrills!



*The sunbird loves the rain!*



And the shine too!



*My spirits and thoughts are as free as of this bird!*



Yet delicate!



*Warbler on my gate* –waiting for the mate!



Here I am where are you?



I look for you to the right



turn around oh, why are you on the gate?



May not be very attractive but still I deserve a place in your collage! The mate of sunbird!

**Little weedy**

**reedy**

**enclave**

**Not far from**

**my home!**

**Busy road leading to Ramakrishna  
Mutt and Telugu Talli Flyover  
–on East is NTR Stadium (actually the  
Ground) and on West is Indira Park**



This Heron always hides, try finding it?



Rare in city -wears a cool coat!



Do not bother me much, I am least concerned!



Don't you see that I have least concern for you and busy with my preening and grooming!



Waste  
recycled  
Believe it  
By birds!

Not very far from home -the Tankbund

## Waste recycled in Hussainsagar –our Tankbund



**Waste: what is waste?** *“Do like I do, do like I do”*,  
Lovely noisy **Red wattled Lapwing** that is what  
the song of the bird is –from its home on the small  
weedy rocky island using the plastic and other  
waste.

Looks like shredded strewn clothes from the  
Dhobhi Ghat nearby) –View from Minister’s Road –  
opposite KIMS Hospital.

Coots do not lag behind when it comes to rag picking.



**Waste: Lap it and reuse it? Coots on rocky small island** their home –pile up rags and plastics for comfort–View from the road leading to Sanjeevaiah Park.

*Are our industrials ready to learn anything? Is the man on the move, who stop here to enjoy the breeze ready to learn?*

Birds  
teach  
another  
lesson -  
Harmony!

## Harmony



***Harmony –the white and the black.*** The pure white Egrets and the tall long legged delicate black stilts –the skins contrast but they share all the space, food and shelters –roosting on the same big thorny trees (now mostly prosopis juliflora, earlier the native babul trees)– View from Minister’s Road –opposite KIMS Hospital.

*Are our regions and religions ready to learn anything?*

## Harmony



***Harmony – the big and small.*** The bigger Coot does not mind the company of the little Grebe.

The windy waters of the *Hussainsagar* –View from the road leading to Sanjeevaiah Park.

*When are we going to treat the big and the small the same way? Are we ready to learn anything from these birds?*

Birds

teach

Transparency too!

## *Transparency*



*Even those who generally hide become bolder here in Hussainsagar.* This Heron now with the wonderful plumage is mostly hidden and till it flies with white coat on -it is hardly visible; here it decides to become a little more bolder— View from Minister's Road –opposite KIMS Hospital.

*Can we ever learn transparency and frankness?*



Rare plumage of this paddy bird –the heron

Pic: Nitika



Face off a new game starts between the heron and who else -it is playing with me -Pic Nitika



I am few seconds late and loose the game –the bird wins

Pic: Nitika



My mate dresses up, but I am beautiful too



I am ready for the dance –Are you my dear?



I am very tall –Only my shadow can match me



I like my friends though they are black, have pink and are only partly white; so unlike me, but my beak agrees and equates!



I too like them, they are so pure and white -sometimes I admit I envy them!



I believe in discipline – queue up please



Oblivious of the train



Myna: What is happening here? Every surging wave brings plastic and shreds of clothes.



Solitude: *Spot bill duck* that is my world and I like my solitude there was enough romance –I am busy with family ways.



Trying to get little closer! But can't that is beyond my range!



And blurs and fades!



Coots land up –lets taste!



Wagtail No time to really wag!



Bank Myna emerges –Just to shows off the brick red tone?



Colours are  
pleasing too  
and till sun  
shines colours  
abound  
—blue, green,  
yellow, Red and  
all the mix

Green –not far from the first shade of the rainbow



After green – find the little yellow in the green and you would spot the bird

Yellow



Green Yellow Red –all  
together

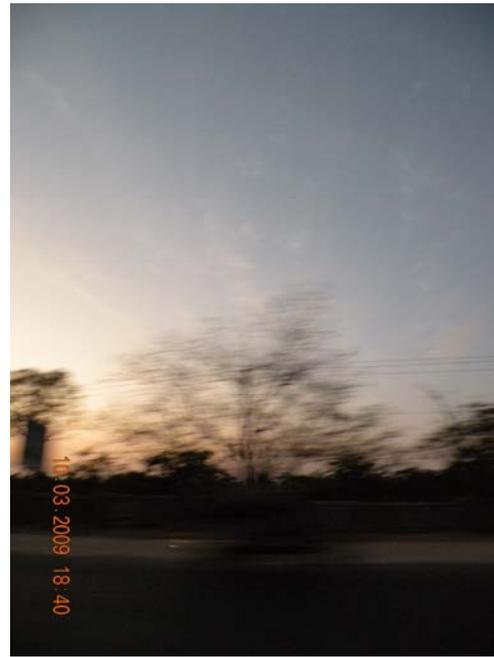
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Completes the  
rainbow

Shades of sunset...





Sunsets!

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Pradeep on Nature

-Naturally

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