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#Naagarika - Citizens' Watch Committee

June 23, 2017

Police Inspector
Soladevanahalli PS
Chikkabettahalli-Vidyaranyapura,
Bengaluru,
Karnataka 560097

Subject: Complaint relating to illegal Dumping of Debris, Untreated Sewage and Domestic Waste into Chikka Banavara Kere.

Naagarika-Citizens' Watch Committee and residents are addressing this Complaint to you, for registering the same and take action against all persons responsible for illegally dumping garbage, debris and sewage into the Chikka Banavara Kere all of which come under the limits of Soladevanahalli Police Station limits. We also request you to register this complaint and initiate action against government officials, whose negligence and apathy to state the least and collusion and connivance, more appropriately, has resulted in wide spread danger to the water bodies and lives of people surrounding the water bodies.

Earlier this day, members of the Naagarika-Citizens' Watch Committee inspected Chikka Banavara Kere. To the shock and dismay of the committee members, it was found that the lake was filled with huge amount of garbage, debris and sewage remains. The quantity of the waste dumped in this lake is alarmingly high that it would, in all likelihood, spread disease and infections to people in and around the vicinity of these lake. It is apparent from the quantity of the waste in the lake that the miscreants routinely dump the waste in these lakes directly and through sewers and storm water drains.

Large number of families with children and aged people live in the vicinity of this lake and it is aged people and children who are extremely prone to infections. The garbage, debris and sewage are also dumped into the lake thereby polluting it and making the water unfit for consumption purposes. The dumping of waste has also polluted the air in the vicinity. Lives of all these families are in peril.



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The Committee on inspection has documented the following specific issues in the lake

Chikka Banavara Kere, - in Chikka Banavara Panchayati, Bengaluru North Taluk, encompasses an area of 105 acres. According to the Koliwad Committee Report, 3 acres 27 guntas have been encroached by the both government and private entities. The lake is subject to flow of medical effluents from a college nearby; it is also subject to inflow of untreated sewage from surrounding areas, which enters Chikka Banavara through a pipeline originating from Singapura Lake.

By dumping the waste in and around the lake area injury, danger and annoyance has been caused to the public in general and people living in the vicinity. Dumping of the waste is likely to spread infectious diseases that will be fatal to the people living in the vicinity. These wastes have also made the air quality in the surrounding region highly noxious and thereby causing harm to the health of the people living and commuting through the vicinity. Polluted air will spread the harm exponentially faster and longer. Therefore, the air pollution will spread to a larger area soon.

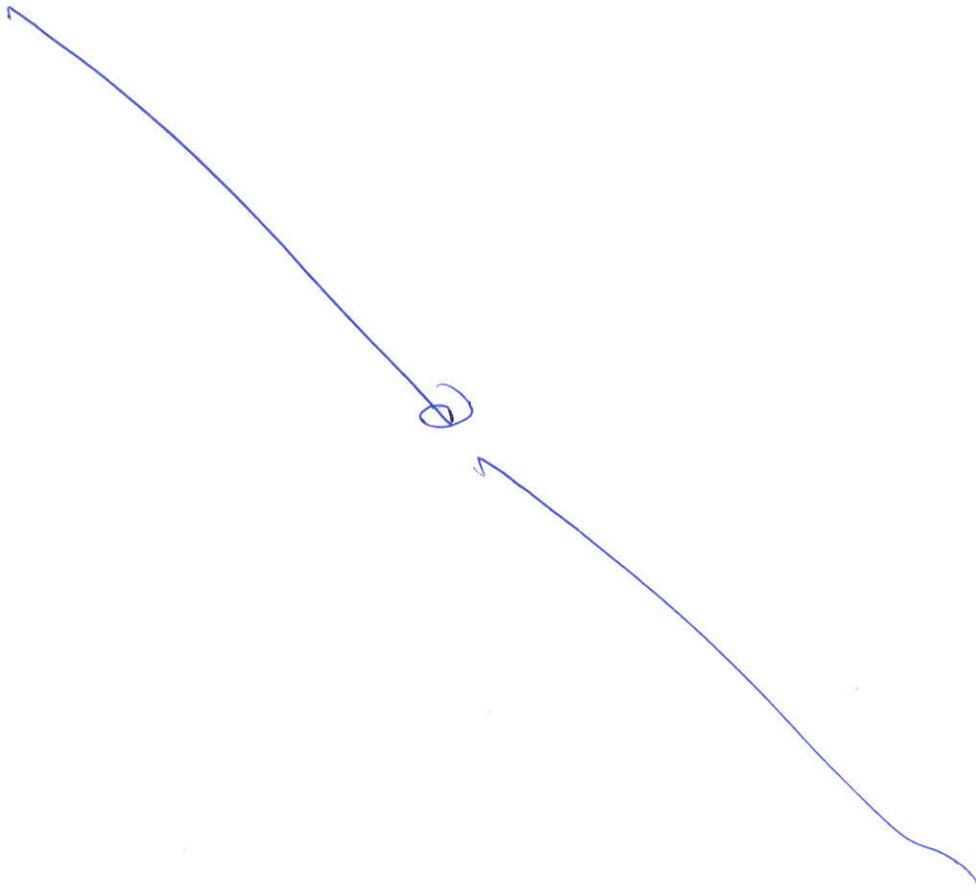
Hence, the persons who are involved in the illegal activity of dumping garbage, debris and sewage into the Singapura Lake have, apart from violating multiple environmental laws, committed offences punishable under Sections 120-B, 268, 269, 270, 278 and 290 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Sections 14 r/w 25 of the Karnataka Lake Conservation and Development Activities Act, 2014.

The public officials entrusted with the duty to protect the lakes and prevent such illegal activities have turned a blind eye to the same. The dumping of waste at the lakes cannot miss the naked eye of any person. However, no action till date has been taken against any person for such illegal activities. In addition to failure to prosecute the culprits, the public officials have also failed to clean the water body by removing the dumped waste. This wilful and negligent act on the part of the public officials adds more injury to the common public. This shows that the public officials are hand in glove with the other miscreants. Therefore, public officials and government servants have also committed offences under Indian Penal Code and Karnataka Lake Conservation and Development Activities Act, 2014 and we request you to initiate action against such errant officials in order to ensure that



there is accountability and to also ensure that there is no further laxity on the part of the officials in strictly enforcing and implementing laws.

We therefore request you to initiate immediate action with the alacrity that the situation demands to bring the guilty to the book. We would like to extend all possible support and cooperate with the investigation.





Yours faithfully,

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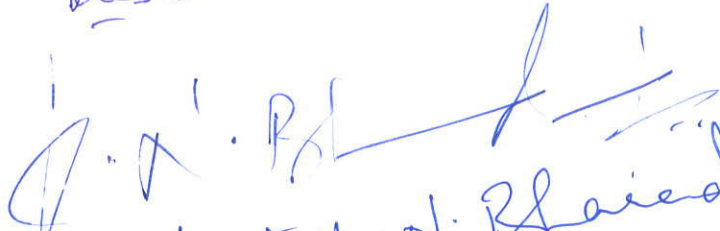


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Naagarika-Citizens' Watch Committee and residents are addressing this Complaint to you, for registering the same and take action against all persons responsible for illegally dumping garbage, debris and sewage into the Mallasandra Gudde Kere all of which come under the limits of Bagalagunte Police Station limits. We also request you to register this complaint and initiate action against government officials, whose negligence and apathy to state the least and collusion and connivance, more appropriately, has resulted in wide spread danger to the water bodies and lives of people surrounding the water bodies.

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The Committee on inspection has documented the following specific issues in the lake

Mallasandra Gudde Kere - is under the custody of the BDA and under Bagalagunte Police Station limits. Although completely fenced, the Koliwad committee report indicates that 1 acre 16 guntas has been encroached. The lake appears to have been encroached by a Corporation School, BBMP office and some individuals have built compounds, claiming parts of the lakebed. The lake has been subject to dumping of debris, garbage, and inflow of untreated sewage. The rajakaluve too has been blocked.

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The Committee on inspection has documented the following specific issues in the lake

Singapura Lake - in Kuvempunagar Ward (Yelahanka Zone) covers an area of 66 acres 18 guntas and is currently under the custody of BBMP. According to the Koliwad Committee Report, 2 acres 7.5 guntas and 4 acres 35 guntas has been encroached by government and private entities respectively. The lake has been subject to continuous dumping of debris, garbage from GKVK and inflow of sewage

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We have noticed that all three lakes have similar problems that is causing public nuisance to the residents of the areas. These perpetuating issues are alarming and pose a threat not only to Bengaluru's water bodies but also threaten the existence of the city. Hence, we look forward to your immediate action.

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