

Oxygen Bird Park (Amrit Mahotsav Park)

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Recently, the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways inaugurated Oxygen Bird Park (Amrit Mahotsav Park) in Nagpur, Maharashtra.

- It is an **eco-initiative** developed by the <u>National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)</u> along the Nagpur-Hyderabad **National Highway-44**.
- It has fast-growing, oxygen-producing trees aimed to combat <u>air pollution</u> and foster a healthier environment.
- It is designed to mimic natural ecosystems to conserve both local and migratory bird species.
- It aims to preserve rare and endangered tree species native to Central India like the Vulnerable
 Indian Bael, Gum Karaya and the Endangered Yellow Flame of the Forest.
- It also features a lotus/lily pad pond, reed bed (natural water filtration), bamboo and palm plantation.
- A part of the park is dedicated to <u>social forestry</u>. Social forestry focuses on growing trees on unused land, either individually, in groups, or in strips.

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