## Appendix 1.

The seven lakes in our study were categorized into two groups (low and high) based on their environmental condition, as described further in the table below.

Lake	Restored between 2009 and 2012	Source	Details
Agara	No	High Court of Karnataka (2011)	Categorized as a Class D lake, i.e. polluted
Ambalipura	Yes	BBMP Lakes Division	Dry lake prior to restoration. Following restoration, lake water quality is considered high, per the BBMP Lakes Division
Bellandur	No	High Court of Karnataka (2011)	Categorized as a Class D lake, i.e. polluted
Kaikondanahalli	Yes	High Court of Karnataka (2011) and BBMP Lakes Division	Categorized as a Class D lake, i.e. polluted, prior to restoration. Following restoration, water quality in the lake is considered good, per information from BBMP Lakes Division.
Mestripalya	No	Field visit	Completely dry lake, thus categorized as in low environmental condition.
Parappana Agrahara	No	High Court of Karnataka (2011)	Categorized as a Class D lake, i.e. polluted
Varthur	No	High Court of Karnataka (2011)	Categorized as a Class E lake, i.e. polluted