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Title: Terrace

When you LOCK yourself DOWN for 21 days, chances are you may UNLOCK plenty of possibilities. You may UNLOCK the undisclosed power of your charm to catch hold of the key of your building terrace from your usually stubborn watchman, previous evening. You may UNLOCK the eyelids, before the sun does.

You may quietly climb all the stairs, and UNLOCK the shut-since-the-ages-lock of your building terrace, open the crackling doors and you may wonder while entering the terrace exactly like Columbus, when he stumbled upon whole new world of America instead of India.

You may UNLOCK your numb-since-centuries-nostrils to fill up the oxygen and the scent of fresh leaves of Jamun Tree, Mango Tree, Pipal Tree and Gulmohar standing tall around your building and you had never even noticed.

You may UNLOCK your deaf-since-decades-eardrums to receive the frequencies of the many resident birds of your locality who are calling you to listen to their distinct symphony orchestra every morning.

You may UNLOCK the power of your retina which can focus, spot and identify the camouflaged exotic neighbours like Red Vented Bulbul, Coppersmith Barbet, Indian Golden Oriole, White Spotted Fantail, Oriental Magpie Robin, sunbird, sparrows, Koels, pigeons, crows and 350 species of resident and migrant birds of Mumbai, surrounding hills, forests, lakes and creeks (which is over a quarter of India's avifauna)



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