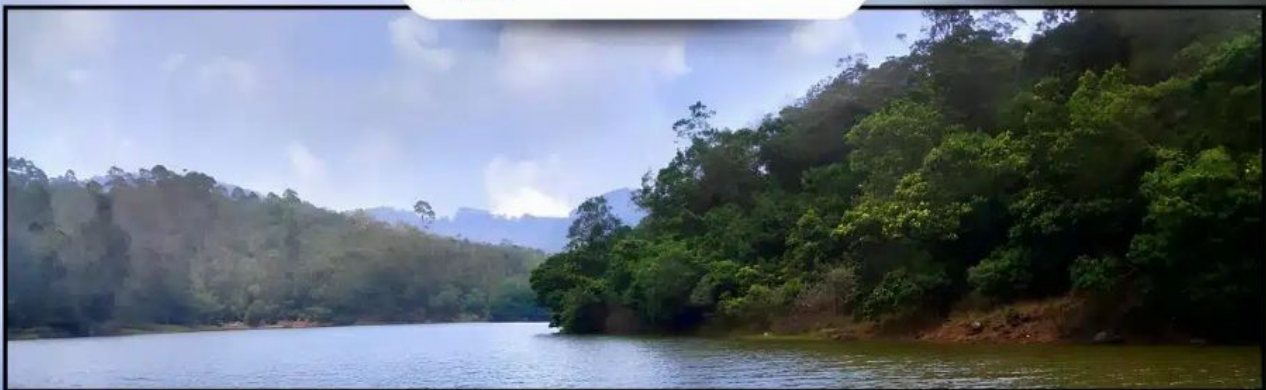


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The Madras High Court's Madurai Bench recently posted before the Forest Bench a PIL seeking a scientific census to assess the ecological viability of the Berijam Lake area to be recommended for notification as a Tiger Reserve.

About Berijam Lake

- It is an **artificial lake** situated in **Kodaikanal** in the Dindigul district of **Tamil Nadu**.
- It is situated in the **upper Palani Hills**, overlooking the surrounding landscape.
- It covers a vast area of 59 acres.
- It was **formed in 1867** as the result of the **construction of a dam** with sluice outlets and is part of a **micro-watershed development project**.
- **Close to the old site of Fort Hamilton**, this lake was earlier used as the **site for military cantonment by the Britishers**.
- The **crystal-clear waters** of the lake reflect the surrounding landscape, creating picturesque views.
- It serves as a significant **source of drinking water** for nearby towns.

- The lake is also an important conservation center for local **flora and fauna**.
 - **Birds such as serpent eagles, rosefinch, leaf-warblers,** and pale-rumped swallows can be spotted here.
 - The lake also facilitates the habitat of many animals such as **Bison, Indian elephants, Nilgiri Langur and Deer.**

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