## **Theme 2: Water for Peace**

- 1. Addressing the root causes of conflict, we vow to evict encroachments in water bodies with the support of ayacut farmers. By reclaiming these resources, we seek to restore harmony and ensure access for all, fostering peace within communities.
- 2. Embracing the spirit of cooperation, we commit to conducting annual Shramadhan (Voluntary labour) for tank maintenance. Through collective effort, we will enhance water infrastructure resilience and promote peaceful coexistence.
- 3. Recognizing water's role in societal stability, we pledge to raise awareness about water usage reduction for domestic and irrigation purposes. By promoting efficient water management, we strive to mitigate conflicts arising from scarcity and inequality.
- 4. Embracing innovation for peace, we commit to implementing modern agricultural techniques and collaborating with government schemes like MGNREGS. By enhancing agricultural sustainability, we seek to address underlying causes of conflict and promote peace through prosperity.
- 5. Emphasizing collaboration for peace, we will facilitate MOU agreements between Vayalagam groups and Panchayats. Through formalized cooperation, we aim to enhance water governance and foster peaceful relations within communities.
- 6. We resolve to implement various methods for ensuring clean drinking water, including rainwater harvesting, construction of check dams for rainwater storage, and utilization of groundwater recharge techniques to safeguard potable water sources.
- 7. We resolve to undertake initiatives for ensuring sanitation by treating wastewater for non-potable use, constructing soak pits in areas without sewage systems, and establishing household water management systems to promote sanitation practices.
- 8. Our groups will convene in village councils in accordance with the guidelines of local administration and government departments, advocating for the implementation of necessary water supply maintenance projects and initiating programs to create awareness and implement measures for water conservation at the grassroots level.