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Earth-bound, yet flying daily
In the blue heavens on little wings
Drinking in the nectar of the pure air
At those ethereal heights where gods reside;
The flight of pigeons dives in/out
Of the suburban Mumbai sky
In a show of unity and ecstasy
At early morning when city
Stirs for long commutes and
Hard work in the City that never sleeps;
A child wakes up in her tiny
Bedroom and watches her
Feathered friends that often
She dreams of catching up;
The grey birds with red feet
Move in circles choreographed
By a hand invisible;
The happy family of the birds
Rendered homeless in the cities

Aiming for vertical rise everywhere,
Savour the togetherness and the sweetness
Of freedom and of navigation in the infinity
That too done in unison, this dance sublime;
The creatures look like the
Air-borne ballet dancers
Of the limitless space,
Executing delicate steps
That every morning thrill the small eyes
Of a solitary latch-key child,
Oh! The vast skies!
That is the tempting place,
Where the window-confined
Child wishes to soar along with
These birds but on her own wings.



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