Tethered Helium balloon project

Location: Kankaria lake, Maninagar, Ahmedabad

Project type: Recreational

Client: Gul Thwani

Year of completion: 2010

Plot area: 50,000 sq. ft.

The Tethered Helium Balloon project in Kankaria was the first of its kind in India. This project is a P.P.P. venture and it is a part of the leisure development of the lakefront. Located within the premises of one of the prime recreational hotspot-Kankaria lakefront, this project is an eye catcher for one and all.

The layout of the site was imagined in such a way, that the balloon was centric to all the other spaces, such as the cafeteria and the services. The entire experience of levitation is exaggerated by the two sloped access paths for reaching the balloon. The positioning of the winch pit for the gondola and the balloon were meticulously designed.

Also, the very fact, that the spaces would be seen from above, they were designed in a dynamic fashion. The tethered Helium balloon is visible from quite far off distances elevating the entire ground plane in to the sky.