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## WAYanad Landslide

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*Waste Land*, not of Eliot,  
Affected land in Wayanad.

*You Can't Go Home* again, not of Wolfe,  
Actual tale of lives undone.

*Nature*, not of Emerson, paradise of  
All the beings on the earth.

*Death in the Afternoon* came, not of Hemingway, but of  
Loved ones who thrived once in this land of peace.

*Arms and the Man*, not of Shaw, helpless, yet  
Nights were lighted with the alms and palms of the generous.

*Divine*, not of Woodman, disguised in human form,  
Served selflessly, day and night, to save lives.

*Leaves of Grass*, not of Whitman, of hope sprouted again  
Inside the hearts of the landslide-affected.

*Downsize This*, not of Moore, pain of the distressed is  
Everyone's prayers to the Nature's Nurturer.

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