

# India's Wildlife – A Photography Tour

Naturetrek Tour Report

30 October – 14 November 2019

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Male Tiger at Bandhavgarh



Marsh Muger at Chambal



Gharial



Bonelli's Eagle after a dip in the Chambal!

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## Day 1

Wednesday 30 October

The group left Heathrow on an overnight flight to Delhi.

## Day 2

Thursday 31 October

Our flight arrived 30 minutes ahead of schedule at Delhi Airport at around 8:15 am and we were met by our tour leaders Anand and Amith. After brief introductions we left the airport and drove to our hotel, the Pullman for a short rest before meeting up again at 1 pm for lunch. We were briefed about the tour and the plan for the rest of the day. After a great lunch and some much needed rest, we left for the Hazrat Nizamuddin railway station. The Diwali holidays had just finished and the railway station was bustling.

With the help of the porters we boarded the train to Katni which is a small station and serves as the nearest railhead for Bandhavgarh. We were booked in a 1st class air-conditioned coach which turned out to be very comfortable. Around 7 pm we had our packed dinner and everyone retired for the night early.

## Day 3

Friday 1 November

In the morning the train arrived at Katni railway station right on time. We were met by the local representative and porters who helped us get to the transfer vehicles. We were in three comfortable cars for the two hour drive to our wildlife lodge in Bandhavgarh. On the way it was very interesting to see the Indian countryside, farms and some birdlife. Birds like Indian Roller, Black-winged Kite, Honey Buzzard and White-throated Kingfisher were recorded.

We reached the lodge around 9 am and were greeted by the lodge manager and his team. The staff were very efficient and check in was smooth and well organised.

Our group had a sumptuous breakfast and were briefed about the lodge and the national park. We also got some helpful tips about the right camera equipment to be used in the park.

After some much needed rest and lunch, we left for our first game drive in the Tala zone of the park. The park was lush and beautiful after a good few months of monsoon. Being the first drive, we clicked away at all the common subjects in the park. Some beautiful shots of Spotted Deer, langur and Sambar Deer were taken. A few minutes into the park, next to a stream we spotted a big owl which we identified as a Brown Fish Owl. Everyone managed some good shots as it was very obliging. In a dense area of the park we heard calls of the Malabar Pied Hornbill. After patiently waiting for few minutes, a pair of hornbills showed themselves high in the canopy. We could not get good shots but it was great seeing these giant birds.

It had been a good drive and we had seen most of the common species in the park. As we were waiting at a waterhole, our guide heard some distant Spotted Deer alarm calls, so we rushed to the spot to check. To our great excitement, we spotted a Tigress in the bushes and everyone had a brief glimpse before she disappeared.

Well, that was our first Tiger and even though we could not manage any shots, everyone was happy seeing her. We waited at the other end of the road where she may have come out, but unfortunately she didn't.

On the way out of the park we saw a few Painted Spurfowls and a Ruddy Mongoose. We were back at the lodge around 6:15 pm, in plenty of time to relax and change before meeting at 7:30 pm for the checklist followed by dinner. It had been a productive day and all of us were excited about the next few days in Bandhavgarh.

## Day 4

Saturday 2 November

We woke up to the sounds of nature and after some refreshing tea/coffee we left for the park. It was a clear, sunny morning and we were in the Magdhi zone of the park. We had heard from the local park guides about a Tigress named Dotty and her three male sub-adults cubs who had been seen quite often in the last week, so we headed straight to that area. On the way we were stopped at two different locations by Spotted Deer alarm calls, but after waiting for several minutes, nothing turned up so we continued our drive to the area where Dotty's family was.

There were fresh tracks on the road where all three males had walked, but the jungle was quiet and no-body had the exact location. After checking several roads in the area with no success, we decided to wait quietly at one point and listen to what the other jungle inhabitants had to say. Piercing the silence after around 10 minutes we heard a Spotted Deer alarm call, so we headed to that area. A few jeeps were already there watching the Tiger. One of the young males was sitting next to a bamboo thicket next to the track. Although the sighting was not great for photographs, every now and then when he looked towards us, we clicked a few shots. A little later the other two males also came to him but the bamboo thicket proved to be a hindrance.

A few minutes later, a Sambar appeared from nowhere and the Tigers got interested in him. Stalking the Sambar all of them disappeared. While we were waiting for them to appear on another parallel road, our guide spotted a Leopard - a fine male quietly walking through the forest. We later saw the Leopard cross the road as he dashed to the other side.

After a nice lunch, we returned to the Magdhi area of the park. With the leads from the morning and determined to get good shots of the males, we hurried back to the same area and luck was on our side this time. All three young male Tigers came and sat on the track just about 15 metres from our jeep. This was an incredible moment and was beautifully captured. We were with the Tigers for almost an hour. The only downside this afternoon was that one of our three jeeps had gone into a completely different area based on the tracks and a call they received and missed this sighting.

Back at the lodge we finished our growing checklist and had our dinner.

## Day 5

Sunday 3 November

We left for the park as usual and were in the Tala zone today. This area of the park is hilly Tiger country and offers some majestic views of the landscape. The beautiful sunny morning turned out to be great for birding, and we saw and photographed several special birds of the area.

Big cat movement seemed to be limited today as there were hardly any alarm calls. We parked at a waterhole and were watching the birdlife, also with the intension of listening if the jungle wildlife could tell us anything. In the meantime one of our other jeeps arrived from the opposite direction. Now this was the same jeep that had missed the sighting yesterday and there were broad smiles on their faces! They had been incredibly lucky this morning. They had photographed a beautiful Tigress for about five minutes as she walked along the track head-on towards their jeep – wonderful compensation for having missed out yesterday. Our other two jeeps went to check the same area, but other than footprints that led to a dense area of forest, we didn't find anything.

In the afternoon we were back in Tala area.

Based on information from some of the forest guards, we headed to a road which borders Tala and Magdhi zones. There is a Tigress named Solo that resides here with her four cubs. The Tigers were in the area as was confirmed by the guards but they never came out. There was another male Tiger that had been seen walking on the same road but he never showed up again. We had beautiful sightings of two Malabar Pied Hornbills though. At the lodge we updated our checklist and then had our dinner.

## Day 6

## Monday 4 November

It was slightly chilly this morning and with warm blankets provided on the jeeps, we left for the Magdhi zone of the national park again. The cubs of the Tigress Dotty had been seen last evening, so we went to that area again. It was unusually quiet there and after several minutes wait, we decided to check some new areas out. On the far south of the Magdhi zone a male Tiger had made a kill and was seen by few jeeps last evening. The drive through this area was beautiful and at a big waterbody we had a good sighting of a Crested Hawk Eagle perched on a dead tree.

The male Tiger had eaten most of the kill and was nowhere to be found. There was also a stink in the area which suggested that it was a few days old, so we started heading back. Back at the same waterhole where we had seen the eagle, there were very fresh tracks of a Tigress which had not been there earlier. We followed the tracks and five minutes later, there was a beautiful Tigress next to the road smelling a tree. We had great views of her as she marked her territory. She then crossed the road behind our jeep. There was only one more jeep other than ours. We enjoyed every moment of the sighting and took some beautiful shots.

On the afternoon safari after entering the park, we had only driven for 15 minutes and were stopped by other jeeps in front of us. Someone had caught a glimpse of a male Tiger in the bushes. It was in a dense bamboo thicket and only a few stripes were visible. There was a small waterhole between us and the Tiger. Knowing that most of the other jeeps would run out of patience, we decided to wait here and sit it out. We were aptly rewarded. Sensing the peace after all the other jeeps had left, he came out and sat in the water. After clicking

some closeup shots, we gave some space to the Tiger and he then came onto the road and disappeared on the other side. Literally just five minutes after this sighting, we heard about another Tiger sighting not so far away. We had missed this Tiger by seconds on the morning drive. Later when we had left the park, he had killed a bull from the village. The bull was lying next to the road but the tiger was behind some dense bushes. The jungle was quiet, but after a few minutes wait, we heard a loud Tiger growl. This was from the same male that we had seen earlier at the waterhole, and he seemed to be heading towards us. Hearing him approach, the male that had killed the bull came trotting out of the bushes in front of us. He was an intruder and had to abandon his kill and head back to his own territory. This was a memorable incident, which none of us would forget in a hurry.

## Day 7

## Tuesday 5 November

After the usual morning refreshments, we were in the Tala zone of the park. We had a good birding session in the hilly parts of the zone, although big cat movement was limited. There were hardly any tracks or alarm calls, but one of our jeeps did get a short glimpse of a Tigress towards the end of the drive. We got beautiful shots of Ruddy Mongoose, langurs and Lesser Adjutants.

In the afternoon the lull continued in the jungle. We parked ourselves next to a troop of macaques and had a great time watching and photographing them. While we were with the macaques, a jeep came from the opposite side and informed us about their sighting of a Tigress minutes before, so we hurried to the area. There were still alarm calls from the Sambar Deer in the area, meaning that the Tigress was still on the move. A little later we hear a loud Tiger growl but it seemed to be moving away from us. With no signs of her return, we decided to head back to the lodge.

At night flying foxes or fruit bats were photographed in the lodge grounds.

## Day 8

## Wednesday 6 November

This morning we were in the Khitauli zone of the park. This was our first and only drive in this area. As soon as we entered the gate, there were fresh tracks of a male Tiger on the road, so we started following it. The tracks went on for about five kilometres before disappearing near an anti-poaching camp. As we reached the camp, the guards told us that they heard the Tiger from nearby a few minutes ago. Hearing this, we searched every road in the area, but he had already moved away and was nowhere to be found. We did see two Blue Bulls in great light. As we continued further, a jeep coming from the opposite direction informed us about a Tiger sighting, so while we were following the male Tiger tracks, other two jeeps from our group went on a different route. They found a Tigress named Tara sitting on the road and everyone got some incredible shots as she got up and walked along the track. We tried several roads in the direction in which she was moving but only heard alarm calls.

In the afternoon today the park was closed for drives, so we went for a nature/bird walk around the lodge and it was a very productive one. Birds like Yellow-crowned Woodpecker, Coppersmith Barbet, Racket-tailed Drongo, Golden-fronted Leafbird, Tailorbird, Honey Buzzard etc were seen.

## Day 9

### Thursday 7 November

It was a beautiful sunny morning and the jungle looked amazing with the golden light filtering through the canopy. Every subject looked very photogenic. Having had no success with Dotty's cubs in the last three days, we decided to try our luck again. There were tracks everywhere on the road but the Tigers were again missing. With no alarm calls either, we left the area. Literally two minutes from where we had seen the footprints, there were three jeeps parked pointing at something in the bush. Initially we thought we've found the Tigers, but to our surprise, it was a Sloth Bear. We had a good view of the bear and some of our group even managed some pictures. Even though the Tigers were not found this morning, everyone was pleased finding the Sloth Bear.

In the afternoon we were again in Magdhi area. Tigers remained elusive but one of our jeeps had another amazing sighting of a Sloth Bear which was even better than the morning. The bear came up to 12 metres from the jeep and was busy digging for termites. It was great seeing this natural behaviour and everyone on the jeep got excellent shots. Back at the lodge we finished our checklist and had a lovely dinner in a beautiful outdoor setting.

## Day 10

### Friday 8 November

This was our last morning in Bandhavgarh and were in the Tala zone. We were on a beautiful route and stopped for several landscape shots. Birding was good as well. We heard a few alarm calls at one stage, which were coming from quite a distance, but with no other hints, we went ahead to inspect. There was already a few vehicles there looking at a beautiful Tigress named Spotty. It wasn't the best view but we were happy finding a Tiger on our last drive here. After about 10 minutes, she stood up and went down in the thickets and we thought the sighting was over. However, a minute later she reappeared and this time she was heading straight towards us on the road. The next few minutes were fantastic as she walked in front of us patrolling and marking her territory. The best was yet to happen though. A Jackal came trotting down the road in the opposite direction to the Tiger and seemed to be completely unaware of her presence, while the Tigress had seen him and was waiting. She charged at the Jackal with electric speed. Caught unaware, the Jackal dashed for the nearest bush. What happened inside remained a mystery. It turned out to be the perfect ending for our time in Bandhavgarh.

At noon we had our lunch and after saying goodbye to the Bandhav Vilas staff we drove to Katni railway station. Our train arrived on time and we set off on our overnight journey to Agra.

## Day 11

### Saturday 9 November

In the morning our train pulled into Agra railway station with just a few minutes delay. We were met by the local representative and then transferred to the Crystal Sarovar Hotel for breakfast and to wash and change. Our cultural guide met us at the hotel and then we went out for our sightseeing tour of Agra. We started with the Baby Taj or the Tomb of Iti-Mad - Uddaullah. We then went to the Taj Mahal which was a sight to behold in the golden light. Considering the limited time we had, we just stopped outside the Agra fort for some pictures.

After the sights of Agra, the group split into two. Those going back to Delhi boarded their evening train and reached Delhi on time. After dinner at their hotel in the Aerocity, they were transferred to the Delhi airport for the flight back home. For them another memorable and very successful Naturetrek tour had come to an end.

The group doing the post-tour extension drove to the Chambal Safari Lodge.

## Day 12

Sunday 10 November

Waking up to the cacophony of the flying foxes in the camp, we had our breakfast and left for our first river safari. It was slightly misty at the start but cleared as the day warmed up. We had beautiful views of the Marsh Muggers, Gharials and a few species of turtles. We also saw the dominant Gharial of that stretch of river. He is enormous and could be easily identified by a missing lower jaw. Birding highlights included Great Thick-knee, Kentish Plover, Temminck's Stint, Black-bellied Tern, Long-legged Buzzard, Desert Wheatear and Blue Whistling Thrush etc. We also photographed a Bonelli's Eagle who was taking a dip in the water just a few metres away. Some cracking images were taken as it shook off all the water. On the way back we were lucky to witness a lot of dolphin activity and we saw several breaches by around four individual ones. A few photographs were also taken.

Back at the lodge, we had a nice lunch set up in the lodge's garden and then left for a nature walk around the property. In the orchards around the lodge we photographed a Golden Jackal in good light crossing the path.

## Day 13

Monday 11 November

This morning after a sumptuous breakfast, we went for another morning boat safari seeing all the usual highlights. Gharials and Muggers were out in good numbers basking in the sun. We got really close to a baby Gharial who was very obliging. Today was not as hazy as yesterday so the photographs turned out to be a lot better, although this morning we couldn't find the dolphins. There are several deep stretches on the river and they must have moved to a different area. Nonetheless it was a great morning again.

Returning back to the lodge we had our lunch and then drove to Bharatpur. We checked in at the Birder's Inn Lodge which is just two minutes away from the Keoladeo National Park gate.

## Day 14

Tuesday 12 November

Post breakfast we left in two cycle rickshaws for the park. During the whole day in the park we covered a lot of birds, both resident and migrants. Some of the highlights were Bar-headed Geese, Spot-billed Ducks, Northern Pintails, White-tailed Lapwings, Marsh and Montagu's Harrier, Greater Spotted Eagle, Bluethroat, Red-breasted Flycatcher Spotted Owlet, Indian Scops Owl and Dusky Eagle Owl. We also found a Painted Stork nesting colony. etc. There was no trace of the Sarus Cranes in the areas where we went. We only heard some very

distant calls of them. Lunch was enjoyed inside the national park, and back at the lodge this evening we updated our checklist and then had dinner.

## Day 15

Wednesday 13 November

This was our last morning in Bharatpur. We again got the usual highlights of the park, but a special treat awaited us at the end. A pair of Sarus Cranes were seen feeding in an open marshland and all of us got some great shots as the light was also in our favour. There was also some news about an Oriental Scops Owl sighting, but it had already been disturbed before we reached there. On one of the trails we also found some fresh Striped Hyena tracks.

Exiting the park at about noon we returned back to the lodge and after lunch we drove to the Bharatpur railway station for our train back to Delhi. The train was on time and we reached Delhi in five hours. At the railway station we were promptly met by a Naturetrek representative and were assisted by porters. We checked in at the Pullman Hotel near the airport, had our dinner and retired for the night.

## Day 16

Thursday 14 November

After breakfast we were transferred to the airport for the flight back home. It had been an incredible adventure with Naturetrek. A very rewarding photography trip through the heart of wild India had come to an end.

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## Species Lists

## Birds

		1 - 13 November 2019													
	Common name	Scientific name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>		✓				✓	✓			✓		✓	✓
2	Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>											✓		
3	Indian Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>						✓						✓	✓
4	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>											✓	✓	✓
5	Little Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax niger</i>						✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	Oriental Darter	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>											✓	✓	✓
7	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>										✓	✓	✓	✓
8	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>												✓	✓
9	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>											✓	✓	✓
10	Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>										✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	✓		✓								✓	✓	✓
12	Indian Pond-heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>	✓			✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
13	Black Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus flavicollis</i>													✓
14	Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
15	Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>												✓	✓
16	Painted Stork	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>												✓	✓
17	Asian Openbill	<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>						✓					✓	✓	✓
18	Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>											✓		
19	Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>						✓				✓	✓		
20	Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>	✓		✓		✓		✓						
21	Black-headed Ibis	<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>											✓	✓	✓
22	Red-naped Ibis	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>						✓				✓			
23	Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>													✓
24	Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>												✓	
25	Lesser Whistling-duck	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>		✓				✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
26	Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>												✓	✓
27	Bar-headed Goose	<i>Anser indicus</i>											✓		

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28	Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>										✓	✓		
29	Comb Duck	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>						✓						✓	
30	Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>													✓
31	Garganey	<i>Spatula querquedula</i>													✓
32	Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>													✓
33	Common Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>										✓			
34	Spot-billed Duck	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>											✓	✓	✓
35	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>													✓
36	Oriental Honey-buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>	✓	✓											
37	Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	✓										✓		
38	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	✓										✓		
39	Egyptian Vulture	<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>											✓	✓	
40	Red-headed Vulture	<i>Sarcogyps calvus</i>	✓		✓		✓								
41	Crested Serpent-eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>												✓	✓
42	Eurasian Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>											✓	✓	✓
43	Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>												✓	✓
44	Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>												✓	
45	White-eyed Buzzard	<i>Butastur teesa</i>		✓		✓	✓		✓						
46	Long-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>											✓		
47	Greater Spotted Eagle	<i>Aquila clanga</i>												✓	✓
48	Bonelli's Eagle	<i>Aquila fasciatus</i>											✓		
49	Crested Hawk-eagle	<i>Nisaetus cirrhatus</i>	✓			✓	✓		✓						
50	Black Francolin	<i>Francolinus francolinus</i>										✓			
51	Grey Francolin	<i>Francolinus pondicerianus</i>										✓		✓	✓
52	Common Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>										✓			
53	Red Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix spadicea</i>		✓						✓					
54	Painted Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix lunulata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓						
55	Red Junglefowl	<i>Gallus gallus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
56	Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
57	Sarus Crane	<i>Grus antigone</i>													✓
58	White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>										✓		✓	✓

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59	Purple Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>												✓	✓
60	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>										✓	✓	✓	✓
61	Common Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>											✓	✓	✓
62	Bronze-winged Jacana	<i>Metopidius indicus</i>										✓		✓	✓
63	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>									✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
64	Great Thick-knee	<i>Esacus recurvirostris</i>										✓	✓		
65	River Lapwing	<i>Vanellus duvaucelii</i>										✓	✓		
66	Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>	✓	✓		✓			✓						
67	Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓
68	White-tailed Lapwing	<i>Vanellus leucurus</i>												✓	✓
69	Little -ringed plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>										✓	✓		
70	Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>										✓	✓		
71	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>										✓	✓		
72	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓					✓		
73	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>													✓
74	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	✓									✓	✓	✓	✓
75	Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>										✓	✓		
76	Black-bellied Tern	<i>Sterna acuticauda</i>										✓	✓		
77	Common Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓				✓	✓	✓	✓
78	Oriental Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>				✓		✓	✓						
79	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>					✓	✓						✓	✓
80	Spotted Dove	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
81	Laughing Dove	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>						✓				✓		✓	✓
82	Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	<i>Treron phoenicoptera</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓
83	Alexandrine Parakeet	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		
84	Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
85	Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
86	Common Hawk-cuckoo	<i>Cuculus varius</i>				✓			✓						
87	Asian Koel	<i>Eudynamys scolopacea</i>												✓	✓
88	Southern Coucal	<i>Centropus {sinensis } parroti</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓

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89	Dusky Eagle Owl	<i>Bubo coromandus</i>												✓	✓
90	Indian Scops-owl	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>			✓		✓					✓		✓	
91	Brown Fish-owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>	✓												
92	Spotted Owlet	<i>Athene brama</i>			✓		✓					✓		✓	✓
93	Crested Treeswift	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>		✓		✓			✓						
94	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>			✓								✓	✓	
95	White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
96	Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>										✓	✓		✓
97	Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>			✓										
98	Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓			
99	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓
100	Indian Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyroceros birostris</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓			
101	Malabar Pied-hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros coronatus</i>	✓												
102	Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Megalaima haemacephala</i>				✓									
103	Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos moluccensis nanus</i>						✓	✓						
104	Yellow-crowned Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos mahrattensis</i>				✓		✓	✓						
105	Lesser Goldenback	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>			✓	✓		✓	✓					✓	
106	White-naped Woodpecker	<i>Chrysocolaptes festivus</i>			✓										
107	Sand Lark	<i>Calandrella raytal</i>											✓		
108	Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>											✓		
109	Oriental Skylark	<i>Alauda gulgula</i>										✓	✓		
110	Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>										✓			
111	Dusky Crag-martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne concolor</i>	✓				✓	✓							
112	Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>		✓		✓						✓	✓		
113	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>										✓	✓		
114	White-browed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla madaraspatensis</i>						✓				✓	✓	✓	
115	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	✓		✓		✓	✓						✓	
116	Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>											✓		
117	Olive-backed Pipit	<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>										✓			
118	Large Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina macei</i>				✓	✓	✓							

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119	White-eared Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus leucotis</i>												✓	✓
120	Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
121	Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>				✓		✓							
122	Orange-headed Thrush	<i>Zoothera citrina</i>						✓		✓					
123	Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>				✓									
124	Jungle Prinia	<i>Prinia sylvatica</i>											✓		
125	Ashy Prinia	<i>Prinia socialis</i>									✓	✓	✓	✓	
126	Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inornata</i>									✓	✓	✓	✓	
127	Clamorous Reed-warbler	<i>Acrocephalus stentoreus</i>												✓	
128	Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>							✓					✓	
129	Sulphur-bellied Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus griseolus</i>					✓								
130	Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>					✓	✓			✓				
131	Asian Brown Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>		✓				✓						✓	
132	Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>		✓					✓						
133	Tickell's Blue-flycatcher	<i>Cyornis tickelliae</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓							
134	Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>											✓		
135	Oriental Magpie-robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
136	White-rumped Shama	<i>Copsychus malabaricus</i>			✓		✓		✓						
137	Indian Robin	<i>Saxicoloides fulicata</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	✓
138	Desert Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe deserti</i>									✓	✓			
139	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓					✓	
140	Siberian Stonechat	<i>Saxicola maurus</i>		✓		✓		✓	✓		✓				
141	Pied Bushchat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>												✓	✓
142	White-browed Fantail	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>				✓		✓	✓						
143	Black-naped Monarch	<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>			✓										
144	Asian Paradise-flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>								✓					
145	Tawny-bellied Babbler	<i>Dumetia hyperythra</i>					✓								
146	Yellow-eyed Babbler	<i>Chrysomma sinense</i>											✓		
147	Large Grey Babbler	<i>Turdoides malcolmi</i>									✓	✓	✓	✓	
148	Jungle Babbler	<i>Turdoides striatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
149	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>					✓		✓						

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150	Indian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta castanea</i>								✓						
151	Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>													✓	✓
152	Oriental White-eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>			✓				✓							
153	Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>		✓					✓	✓						
154	Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>				✓				✓						
155	Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>				✓										
156	Bay-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>		✓												
157	Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>				✓									✓	
158	Common Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>									✓					
159	Black Drongo	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
160	White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>						✓		✓						
161	Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
162	Rufous Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓
163	House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>	✓		✓								✓		✓	✓
164	Indian Jungle Crow	<i>Corvus {macrorhynchos}culminatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
165	Bank Myna	<i>Acridotheres ginginianus</i>											✓			✓
166	Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
167	Asian Pied Starling	<i>Gracupica contra</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓
168	Brahminy Starling	<i>Temenuchus pagodarum</i>							✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
169	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>											✓			
170	Chestnut-shouldered Petronia	<i>Petronia xanthocollis</i>				✓			✓	✓						
171	Baya Weaver	<i>Ploceus philippinus</i>											✓			
172	Scaly-breasted Munia	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>		✓		✓										
173	Silverbill	<i>Euodice malabarica</i>						✓		✓						
174	Common Rosefinch	<i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i>											✓			
175	Red-headed Bunting	<i>Emberiza bruniceps</i>											✓			

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1	Royal Bengal Tiger	<i>Panthera tigris tigris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					
2	Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus</i>		✓						✓					
3	Rhesus Macaque	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	'Northern Plains' Grey Langur	<i>Semnopithecus entellus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
5	Common Mongoose	<i>Herpestes edwardsi</i>				✓									
6	Ruddy Mongoose	<i>Herpestes smithii</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
7	Golden Jackal	<i>Canis aureus</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			✓			
8	Sloth Bear	<i>Merursus ursinus</i>		✓					✓						
9	Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus giganteus</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	
10	Indian Tree Shrew	<i>Anathana ellioti</i>					✓								
11	Indian or Black-naped Hare	<i>Lepus nigricollis</i>				✓						✓		✓	
12	Three-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennarum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓			
13	Five-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennanti</i>		✓	✓							✓		✓	✓
14	Indian Giant Flying Squirrel	<i>Petaurista philippensis</i>	✓												
15	Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	
16	Chital (Spotted Deer)	<i>Cervus axis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓
17	Indian Muntjac (Barking Deer)	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓					
18	Nilgai (Blue Bull)	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>							✓			✓		✓	✓
19	Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓				✓	✓
20	Gaur	<i>Bos gaurus</i>		✓						✓					
21	Gangetic River Dolphin	<i>Platanista gangetica</i>										✓			

## Other species

1	Indian Flapshell Turtle	<i>Lissemys punctata</i>										✓		✓	
2	Koniecznyi's Monitor	<i>Varanus griseus koniecznyi</i>					✓								
3	Monitor lizard	<i>Varanus bengalensis</i>				✓								✓	
4	Gharial	<i>Gavialis gangeticus</i>										✓	✓		
5	Marsh Mugger Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>										✓	✓		
6	House Gecko species	<i>Hemidactylus/Gehyra sp</i>	✓	✓				✓	✓			✓			
7	Indian Tent Turtle	<i>Pangshura tentoria</i>										✓	✓	✓	
8	Blister Beetle	<i>Mylabris pustulata</i>						✓	✓					✓	