

# India - Tiger Direct!

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Langurs



Common Rose



Kanha



Sambar

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## Day 1

Thursday 6th March

The flight arrived on time from Mumbai. After arriving we all checked into the plush Tuli Imperial. A welcome dinner followed where we all introduced ourselves and thereafter we decided to call it a night after a day of travel.

## Day 2

Friday 7th March

Our day started with an 'early' morning wakeup call at 7am. We had a sumptuous breakfast at the Tuli Imperial and headed off to Tadoba. En route we saw some Parakeets nesting in tree hollows. Spotted doves, Indian Rollers, and Red Vented Bulbuls kept us company until we reached Tadoba. At the Svasara, our hosts welcomed us. A quick formality of check in and lunch was followed by the first drive in the park.

We started the safari by seeing Chital feeding. Jungle news informed us that there was a Tiger sitting near the main gate, so we headed there. En route we were stopped dead in our tracks by – a roaring Tigress! She walked in front of our car for well over a kilometre! We were also treated to some great views of a Leopard. And the drive was not even over when we saw a male Tiger. All in all it was a great first safari! After doing a species checklist and having some drinks, we had dinner and headed to our rooms for the night.

## Day 3

Saturday 8th March

Excited by yesterday's activities we all looked forward to this morning. We were not disappointed. We were fortunate to see the Tigress in her natural habitat, relaxing in the water. After some time she got up and headed for the road, walking straight in front of us and crossing by in full majesty. We all had some great photo opportunities.

At the main Tadoba Lake we saw many Whistling ducks, Cormorants, Snipes and also some Asian Openbill Storks. A pair of Wild Dogs along with their 2 pups was seen sleeping in the bamboo thicket. After lunch we saw two Leopards that had killed a Chital stag. It was a sight to remember. The rain gods thundered above us and hastily we all retreated to the resort. After the checklist we had dinner and called it a day.

## Day 4

## Sunday 9th March

The sky was overcast when we lined up to go for the safari but it started to brighten up and by 7am the sky was cloudless! We all went to the western part of the park to do some birding near a waterbody called Telia. Lots of ducks, kingfishers and Ibis were seen. One of the cars was also lucky to get a glimpse of a Sloth bear. In the afternoon we went to the waterholes in search of Tigers but we were not in luck. On the return one of the cars was very lucky to spot the secretive Indian Hare. We all were hoping that the last days drive would end on a high and after dinner, we went off to bed.

## Day 5

## Monday 10th March

Hoping to end with a bang we all rumbled towards the park. It wasn't even bright when one of the guides shouted 'Tiger!' ...walking on the road in front of our vehicles was a largemale Tiger. We followed him for over two kilometres, spraying (scent marking) on trees en route and roaring for his mate - he walked the road like a king. It was truly a great last drive! As if this was not enough, one of our cars was lucky enough to spot a Tigress sleeping on a streambed. She just lay there – for over two hours. We even had our breakfast next to the Tigress! Leaving her sleeping peacefully we all drove back and after lunch left for Pench. En route we saw some Black Kites and Indian Rollers patrolling their territories. On arriving at Tuli Tiger Resort we settled down and met the other group. After some briefings and introductions we all had dinner and went off to bed.

## Day 6

## Tuesday 11th March

The first drive in Pench had lots of bird activity. Mixed hunting parties consisted of babblers, Drongos and Treepies. Jackals were out in full strength and sunning themselves. A lone Nilgai was seen ambling towards a waterhole. After lunch one of our jeeps saw a Leopard on a rock. In a split second he jumped off after being spotted and vanished. There were lots of alarm calls and we waited for some time to see if it appeared again. Time ran out and we exited the park. After the checklist we had dinner and went off to bed.

## Day 7

## Wednesday 12th March

Our morning started with the sky being overcast! Equipping ourselves with rain gear we went to the park and spent a lot of time looking for tracks and signs of the elusive one. But we were not lucky. The local guides blamed the erratic weather. Having had an early lunch we drove to Kanha hoping our luck would change. On arriving at Kanha we were welcomed after a quick briefing we gathered for the species checklist, had dinner and went off to bed.

## Day 8

Thursday 13th March

Our first drive was great - 2 groups went for elephant rides in the jungle and enjoyed it a lot. One of them even saw a Tiger from elephant back! We had great views of the endangered Barasingha deer. There was also a sub-adult male Tiger seen by some of our cars. By now all of us were becoming tiger experts! We could understand most of the alarm calls. We had heard a tigress had made a kill of a sambar deer and we hoped we would see her again that evening. We waited near the waterhole for a long time but she did not appear. A little disheartened we all exited the park and were looking forward to the next day.

## Day 9

Friday 14th March

One of the cars was scheduled to visit a different zone. On the way they came across a family of 5 TIGERS! We drove behind the tigress and her 4 sub-adult cubs on the road for 15 minutes. She was taking them to the Sambar kill when we saw them. It was a great sight and we took many photos! The same car also saw the dominant Male tiger cross in front of the car a little way ahead. On the way back the sub-adult cubs were seen again crossing a road. In all we had nine Tiger sightings all within a six-hour morning drive. After lunch some of our jeeps had the great opportunity of seeing some male Barasingha's sparring. After doing the checklist we had a barbeque dinner and went off to bed.

## Day 10

Saturday 15th March

The morning started with the Hawk Cuckoo calling incessantly. One of the cars saw a male Tiger in the dense undergrowth. On close observation we realized it was slightly injured. Birds like Racket Tailed-Drogo, Buzzards, and Serpent Eagles were also seen. In the evening we saw a Flying Squirrel. It was a delight to watch this wonderful mammal, which has adapted to gliding in the canopy. Dimple, the camp host, also showed the guests how to make some Indian vegetables in her cooking demonstration. After a wonderful dinner we called it a day.

## Day 11

Sunday 16th March

The last drive is always sad. The nostalgia of doing 16 game drives played on everyone's minds. Adding to this, one car saw a Leopard for over 20 minutes in the open. It was just sitting up on a rock and sunning itself! Reluctantly we left the park and returned to the lodge for a quick lunch. We headed to Nagpur and on arriving at the Tuli Imperial we had our farewell dinner.

## Day 12

Monday 17th March

The guests departed by an early morning flight promising to return soon!

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## Species List

Birds (✓ = recorded but not counted; H = heard only)

	Common name	Scientific name	March									
			7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>					✓	✓	✓		✓	
2	Indian Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
3	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>							✓			
4	Little Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax niger</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
5	Oriental Darter	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>	✓	✓			✓	✓		✓		
6	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>			✓		✓	✓				
7	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
8	Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
9	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
10	Indian Pond-heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
11	Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
12	Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>				✓						
13	Painted Stork	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>					✓	✓				
14	Asian Openbill	<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
15	Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>						✓	✓	✓	✓	
16	Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>				✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
17	Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>							✓	✓	✓	
18	Black-headed Ibis	<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>		✓	✓							
19	Red-naped Ibis	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>		✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	
20	Lesser Whistling-duck	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
21	Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>					✓	✓			✓	
22	Cotton Pygmy-goose	<i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i>							✓	✓	✓	
23	Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Anas penelope</i>					✓					
24	Gadwall	<i>Anas strepera</i>							✓	✓		
25	Common Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>									✓	
26	Spot-billed Duck	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>					✓	✓		✓		
27	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓		
28	Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>						✓				
29	Oriental Honey-buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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30	Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
31	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	✓						✓				
32	Grey-headed Fish-eagle	<i>Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus</i>						✓	✓		✓	✓	
33	White-rumped Vulture	<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>							✓				
34	Short-toed Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>				✓							
35	Crested Serpent-eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
36	Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>			✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	
37	White-eyed Buzzard	<i>Butastur teesa</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		
38	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>								✓			
39	Changeable Hawk-eagle	<i>Spizaetus cirrhatus</i>		✓		✓				✓			
40	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>							✓	✓	✓	✓	
41	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>							✓				
42	Painted Francolin	<i>Francolinus pictus</i>									✓		
43	Grey Francolin	<i>Francolinus pondicerianus</i>		✓									
44	Jungle Bush-quail	<i>Perdica asiatica</i>	✓										
45	Red Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix spadicea</i>		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
46	Grey Jungle fowl	<i>Gallus sonneratii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓							
47	Red Jungle fowl	<i>Gallus gallus</i>					✓			✓	✓	✓	
48	Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
49	White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>	✓	✓	✓								
50	Bronze-winged Jacana	<i>Metopidius indicus</i>			✓							✓	
51	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>							✓				
52	Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus oedicnemus</i>		✓		✓					✓	✓	
53	Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>			H		✓	✓	✓			✓	
54	Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
55	Little -ringed plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>					✓						
56	Pin-tailed Snipe	<i>Gallinago stenura</i>										✓	
57	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	✓		✓	✓						✓	
58	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>					✓	✓					
59	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>			✓			✓	✓			✓	
60	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
61	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>					✓	✓	✓			✓	

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62	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>							✓				
63	River Tern	<i>Sterna aurantia</i>							✓				
64	Painted Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles indicus</i>		✓	✓								
65	Oriental Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>								✓		✓	
66	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>		✓		✓			✓				
67	Spotted Dove	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
68	Laughing Dove	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	
69	Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>										✓	
70	Yellow-footed Pigeon	<i>Treron phoenicoptera</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
71	Alexandrine Parakeet	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
72	Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
73	Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
74	Common Hawk-cuckoo	<i>Cuculus varius</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
75	Sirkeer Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus leschenaultii</i>			✓	✓				✓	✓		
76	Greater Coucal	<i>Centropus sinensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
77	Indian Scops-owl	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>					✓				✓		
78	Brown Fish-owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>	✓	✓	✓						✓		
79	Mottled Wood-owl	<i>Strix ocellata</i>					✓						
80	Jungle Owlet	<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>					✓				✓	✓	
81	Spotted Owlet	<i>Athene brama</i>	✓				✓	✓					
82	Savannah Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus affinis</i>	H		✓	✓							
83	Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymartia melba</i>					✓					✓	
84	Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>							✓				
85	Crested Treeswift	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>		✓	✓	✓							
86	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		
87	White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
88	Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓				
89	Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
90	Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
91	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
92	Indian Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyrceros birostris</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	
93	Malabar Pied-hornbill	<i>Anthracoeros coronatus</i>					✓	✓	✓				

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94	Brown-headed Barbet	<i>Megalaima zeylanica</i>					✓		✓	✓	✓	
95	Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Megalaima haemacephala</i>							✓	✓	✓	
96	Brown-capped Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos moluccensis nanus</i>								✓		
97	Streak-throated Woodpecker	<i>Picus xanthopygaeus</i>							✓		✓	
98	Black-rumped Flameback	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
99	Ashy-crowned Sparrow-lark	<i>Eremopterix grisea</i>			✓		✓					
100	Rufous-tailed Lark	<i>Ammomanes phoenicurus</i>		✓	✓	✓						
101	Dusky Crag-martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne concolor</i>	✓					✓		✓		
102	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		
103	Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>		✓						✓		
104	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	
105	White-browed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla madaraspatensis</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓				
106	Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>						✓				
107	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
108	Oriental Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>							✓	✓	✓	
109	Large Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina macei</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
110	Long-tailed Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus ethologus</i>										✓
111	Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
112	Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>						✓		✓	✓	
113	Orange-headed Thrush	<i>Zoothera citrina</i>		✓	✓	✓						
114	Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓				
115	Grey-breasted Prinia	<i>Prinia hodgsonii</i>							✓	✓		
116	Jungle Prinia	<i>Prinia sylvatica</i>	✓	✓	✓							
117	Ashy Prinia	<i>Prinia socialis</i>	✓	✓								
118	Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inornata</i>		✓	✓			✓			✓	
119	Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>		✓		✓				✓	✓	
120	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>				✓						
121	Asian Brown Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>					✓	✓				
122	Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>				✓						
123	Taiga Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicilla</i>				✓		✓				
124	Verditer Flycatcher	<i>Eumyias thalassina</i>								✓	✓	
125	Tickell's Blue-flycatcher	<i>Cyornis tickelliae</i>	✓			✓				✓	✓	

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126	Oriental Magpie-robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
127	White-rumped Shama	<i>Copsychus malabaricus</i>									✓	✓	
128	Indian Robin	<i>Saxicoloides fulicata</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				
129	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
130	Pied Bushchat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>			✓								
131	Common Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquatus</i>				✓			✓				
132	White-browed Fantail	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>			✓	✓	✓						
133	Black-naped Monarch	<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>		✓		✓						✓	
134	Asian Paradise-flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>				✓	✓		✓				
135	Puff-throated Babbler	<i>Pellorneum ruficeps</i>										✓	
136	Indian Scimitar-babbler	<i>Pomatorhinus horsfieldii</i>									✓	✓	
137	Tawny-bellied Babbler	<i>Dumetia hyperythra</i>										✓	
138	Yellow-eyed Babbler	<i>Chrysomma sinense</i>		✓									
139	Jungle Babbler	<i>Turdoides striatus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
140	Brown-cheeked Fulvetta	<i>Alcippe poiocephala</i>										✓	
141	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓				
142	Chestnut-bellied Nuthatch	<i>Sitta castanea</i>							✓	✓			
143	Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	<i>Sitta frontalis</i>							✓	✓	✓		
144	Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓			✓	
145	Crimson Sunbird	<i>Aethopyga siparrajai</i>											
146	Thick-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum agile</i>					✓						
147	Oriental White-eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>									✓		
148	Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>									✓	✓	
149	Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
150	Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
151	Southern Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius meridionalis</i>		✓									
152	Common Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>				✓							
153	Black Drongo	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
154	White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caeruleascens</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
155	Hair-crested Drongo	<i>Dicrurus hottentottus</i>							✓	✓	✓		
156	Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
157	Rufous Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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158	House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>	✓	✓		✓		✓				
159	Large-billed Crow	<i>Corvus macrorhynchos</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
160	Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
161	Asian Pied Starling	<i>Gracupica contra</i>				✓						
162	Chestnut-tailed Starling	<i>Sturnia malabarica</i>			✓		✓	✓			✓	
163	Brahminy Starling	<i>Temenuchus pagodarum</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
164	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
165	Chestnut-shouldered Petronia	<i>Petronia xanthocollis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
166	Baya Weaver	<i>Ploceus philippinus</i>						✓				
167	Indian Silverbill	<i>Lonchura malabarica</i>	✓	✓	✓							

## Mammals

1	Royal Bengal Tiger	<i>Panthera tigris tigris</i>	1F1M	1F		1M1F			2M	9	1M	
2	Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	1F	2C1F	1C		✓		1M			✓
3	Jungle Cat	<i>Felis chaus kelaarita or kutas</i>					✓					
4	Rhesus Macaque	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>				✓	✓	✓				
5	Common Langur	<i>Presbytis entellus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
6	'Northern Plains' Grey Langur	<i>Semnopithecus entellus</i>										
7	Common Mongoose	<i>Herpestes edwardsi</i>	✓		✓			✓				
8	Ruddy Mongoose	<i>Herpestes smithii</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
9	Golden Jackal	<i>Canis aureus</i>					✓	✓			✓	
10	Dhole (Asiatic Wild Dog)	<i>Cuon alpinus dukhunensis</i>		✓	✓							
11	Sloth Bear	<i>Merursus ursinus</i>		✓								
12	Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus giganteus</i>					✓	✓				
13	Indian or Black-naped Hare	<i>Lepus nigricollis</i>		✓								
14	Three-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennarum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
15	Indian Giant Flying Squirrel	<i>Petaurista philippensis</i>							✓	✓	✓	
16	Gaur (Indian Bison)	<i>Bos guarus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
17	Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
18	Barasingha (Swamp Deer)	<i>Cervus duvauceli branderi</i>							✓	✓	✓	
19	Chital (Spotted Deer)	<i>Cervus axis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
20	Indian Muntjac (Barking Deer)	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>		✓					✓	✓	✓	

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21	Nilgai (Blue Bull)	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>				✓	✓	✓				
22	Indian Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
23	Indian Civet	<i>Viverricula indica</i>	✓									
24	Pipistrelle sp.				✓	✓						

### Other Taxa

1	Indian Flapshell Turtle	<i>Lissemys punctata</i>						✓			✓	
2	Marsh Mugger Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓						
3	Chequered Keelback	<i>Xenochrophis piscator</i>			✓							

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