

India - Tiger Direct!

including Tadoba and Satpura Extensions

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Tiger



Black-shouldered Kite



Black Buck



Sloth Bears

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Introduction

This report for the India – Tiger Direct! tour also includes a pre-tour extension to Tadoba and a post-tour extension to Satpura

Tadoba Extension Day 1

Wednesday 1st November

In flight to India.

Tadoba Extension Day 2

Thursday 2nd November

Our flight landed on time at Nagpur airport, where we met Yusuf and Dilip. We then drove straight to the Radisson Blu hotel. Later we had dinner and a briefing about the next day's programme.

Tadoba Extension Day 3

Friday 3rd November

After breakfast we started our journey to Tadoba. On the way we stopped at an orange orchard and a cotton field to look for birds and butterflies, reaching our destination around 1pm. We were welcomed by the smiling faces of the Savsara Lodge team. Soon after check-in we had lunch, and after a while we all went for our first game drive in Tadoba. We were in three jeeps and accompanied by a lodge naturalist in our third jeep. Everyone was excited to see the park and spotting a Tiger was our main objective, but the group was also keen on birding, especially Peter, Kate, Fiona and Brian. We looked for birds and tiger tracks, and on the way back decided to take Kosai canal road. After a few kilometres we saw two jeeps lined up. We quickly reached the spot and found a Tiger sleeping under the bamboo in the distance. We had good views.

After the drive we returned to the lodge and later met in the guest area to do the checklist. Dinner was flavoursome and afterwards we called it a night, as tomorrow would start with an early morning wakeup call.

Tadoba Extension Day 4

Saturday 4th November

The morning was cool and pleasant as we gathered for some tea and coffee in the guest area, before leaving for our morning game safari. We reached a spot where we heard a few Sambar and Spotted Deer distress calls. We waited for quite some time, even though the calls had stopped, but eventually we moved on. We saw quite a few interesting birds such as Great Cormorant, Grey Heron, Oriental Darter, Lesser Adjutant, Shikra and Changeable Hawk-Eagle to name a few. Group members in one of our jeeps saw Wild Dogs, whilst those in another jeep saw two Tigers at a distance of about 300 metres, under a tree.

As the group was keen on birds, we went on a birding walk after the morning safari and saw some interesting birds and butterflies. After lunch we had another game drive. The afternoon drive was quiet with hardly any calls, but we did see a few common birds and mammals. In the evening we did the checklist, followed by dinner at the Teak House.

Tadoba Extension Day 5 / Main Tour Day 1

Sunday 5th November

For those group members not on the Extension, the Main Tour started with flights from the UK to India.

On the Tadoba Extension, the morning was a bit cold as we gathered for some tea and coffee before leaving for our morning game drive. Two of our jeeps went to the Telia zone and saw a Tigress with four cubs around four months old, crossing the road and then across Telia lake. Those in the other jeep wanted to watch some birds so went to the Navegaon area to do some birding. We saw quite a few interesting birds and got some good photographs. After breakfast we got lucky with a sighting of a male and a female Sloth Bear foraging, and we managed to take a few photographs. Tony, Lynda and Sheila were really excited and thought this was the best drive so far!

During the afternoon game drive, Claude's spectacle case fell from his trouser pocket in the park. Although he realised after a few minutes, he declined the offer to go back as he had two more. We saw a few birds and also a Sloth Bear crossing the road during the drive, and on the way back Yusuf kept his eyes peeled and found the spectacle case, which was reunited with a happy Claude.

In the evening we did the checklist followed by the dinner.

Tadoba Extension Day 6 / Main Tour Day 2

Monday 6th November

After morning tea and coffee, we set off for our last drive in Tadoba. After driving for a few kilometres we saw tiger tracks. We followed the tracks for a few more kilometres and came upon two safari vehicles. On approaching these vehicles, we got the news that the dominant Tiger had been seen and might go towards the waterhole. We quickly positioned our vehicle to get the best view. Not too long afterwards the Tiger appeared out of the thicket and walked towards our vehicle. It came close to the waterhole and did a scrape marking before disappearing into the thickets. All the group in our three vehicles saw this majestic male Tiger.

Peter, Kate and Michael were very pleased with the sighting, and then wanted to go looking for birds. They went with Yusuf and drove towards the less crowded part of the park, spotting quite a few interesting birds such as Pied Bush Chat, Red Avadavat, Bluethroat, Rufous-tailed Lark and Paddyfield Pipit. Some of the birds were quite obliging and gave enough time to photograph. Also it was quite interesting to see the interaction between juvenile Black-shouldered Kites and Jungle Crow.

We had an early lunch at noon and by 1pm started our journey to Pench National Park. On the way we saw a few birds. We stopped en route at a highway motel to use the restrooms and to have tea and coffee. Upon reaching Pench we checked in at our next accommodation.

We met again at 7.30pm and as we were doing the checklist, Martin, John and Maureen arrived after their flights to complete the Main Tour group. We enjoyed a scrumptious dinner at 8pm and after a briefing, we all called it a night.

Main Tour Day 3

Tuesday 7th November

The morning was a bit cold as we met at the guest area for tea and coffee. Today was the first drive of our Main Tour as a full group. It was a five-minute drive to the park gate and we were again spread between a few vehicles. We saw quite a few birds and group members in two vehicles got lucky with Tiger sightings. First they saw a female patrolling her territory. She was on the road and then went into the thickets. As they drove further, they saw a Tigress and her four ten-month-old sub-adults walking on the main road. Those in another vehicle were on a different route and saw quite a few birds, and also got lucky with the sighting of Dusky Eagle-Owl. People in one jeep also saw a big group of Dhholes. It was a wonderful morning.

Back at the lodge, Peter was on the lookout for his special bird: Tawny-bellied Babbler. Yusuf found one at the lodge and ran to call him. By the time they returned to the spot it was gone, but they did see a dozen Wild Boar piglets. After lunch we again went for a safari. We saw quite a few birds and people in one vehicle saw Wild Dogs. There were a few distress calls in the park, but no big cats were spotted. In the evening we completed the checklist which was followed by dinner.

Main Tour Day 4

Wednesday 8th November

On our last safari in Pench National Park we saw quite a few birds. Those in one vehicle found a pack of about six Wild Dogs and a pair of Dusky Eagle-Owl.

Back at the lodge we had time to clean and change. We then had an early lunch and at 1pm left for Kanha National Park, our next destination. It was a long drive so we stopped twice to break the journey and stretch our legs. On the way we saw a few interesting birds such as Asian Pied Starlings and Brahminy Starlings.

We reached Kanha Jungle Lodge around 5.30pm. We were welcomed by the lodge staff in the parking area and escorted to the guest area, where we were refreshed by a cup of tea or coffee with cake and cookies. Around 7.30pm we met again for the checklist and were advised to wear an extra layer tomorrow as Kanha mornings are much cooler. After a flavoursome dinner we called it a night.

Main Tour Day 5

Thursday 9th November

As expected, the early morning was quite cold. Everyone was excited to explore the park. After morning tea and coffee we drove to the park gate. It was a divine experience to see Kanha in mist, and the typical fragrance of the Sal and *Pogostemon benghalense* was magical. We saw the Kanha endemic species: Barasingha (Swamp Deer). We drove to an area where we expected to see a Tigress with young cubs. Reaching her territory, we saw fresh tracks and drag marks for almost 100 metres. Slowly more vehicles lined up and we scanned the surrounding area. We only heard a few alarm calls so we decided to explore some other areas. We saw quite a few birds including Cotton Pygmy Goose, Ruddy Shelduck, Black Stork, Gadwall and Pintail.

Afterwards, back at the lodge, some of us went on a nature walk. It was a good experience and we saw some interesting insects, butterflies, damselflies and dragonflies, and the uncommon Bird-dropping Spider which is a recent find in Kanha.

After lunch we went for another game drive. We saw a few birds and there were a few distress calls in the same area where we had seen the drag marks in the morning, but no predator sightings.

We met for the checklist in the evening before dinner.

Main Tour Day 6

Friday 10th November

It was cooler again as we set off for our morning game drive. Today we were going to a different area called the Kisli zone. On the way we saw some pug marks, possibly from a Tigress. It was a long way to go so we kept the pace. As soon as we crossed the Mukki zone we were stopped by a Tiger which was sleeping on the road. It was the dominant male known as 'Link 7'. As other vehicles reached the spot the Tiger got up and started moving towards our vehicles, so we had to reverse. He was walking with pride. He stopped to get the smell and also spray marked his territory a few times before disappearing in the bamboo thickets. We reversed the vehicle in the fire break. Within minutes he again appeared in the fire line and then vanished. We all had a good sighting of this dominant male.

We all stopped at Chimta camp to use the bush toilet. Driving further towards the Kisli side, people in one of our vehicles saw a Leopard as it ran across the road. Spotted Deer started to give distress calls, along with the Langurs. We waited at the spot but the calls went deeper inside the thickets, indicating that the Leopard had moved further inside. We also saw quite a few birds including Spangled Drongos. We had picnic breakfast at the Chimta camp watching the birds.

Back at the lodge, after tea and coffee, we started a nature walk and saw some interesting birds, butterflies, spiders and other insects. We also saw a four-day-old Tiger dropping and the tracks of Smooth-coated Otters in the Banjar river.

During our afternoon game drive we heard a few distress calls and saw some birds, mostly ones we had seen earlier. Later we met for the checklist, briefing and dinner.

Main Tour Day 7

Saturday 11th November

We met for tea and coffee in the guest area before leaving for our game drive. It was quite a cold morning and the service at the lodge was excellent as we were provided with hot water bottles and blankets to keep us warm. Today we were going to the Kanha zone. It was long drive. We saw Swamp Deer in the mist and a few birds. After driving for a few kilometres we saw the tracks of a Tigress with cubs near baba thega waterhole, but alas not the cats themselves. People in one jeep got lucky with a Tiger sighting, spotting a mother and her sub-adult cub walking on the road.

In the evening we did the checklist, followed by our last dinner as a big group. We were also briefed about plans for the next day.

Main Tour Day 8 / Satpura Ext Day 1

Sunday 12th November

Today we had a relaxed start and awoke around 7am. We had breakfast at the lodge around 8am before the group split, with those finishing the Main Tour starting their return journey to the UK with a drive to the south to Nagpur. Meanwhile, those continuing with the Satpura Extension started their eight-hour drive east to Satpura.

On the way to Satpura we stopped a few times, including at Tamia for refreshing tea and coffee. We reached Reni Pani Jungle Lodge in Satpuda around 5pm and received a warm welcome from the hospitable lodge staff. We met for the checklist in the guest area around 7.30pm, and we also met Arihant, the lodge naturalist, who would be with us for our activities. Dinner was scrumptious with a lot of variety. We were then escorted back to our cottages by lodge staff.

Main Tour Day 9 / Satpura Ext Day 2

Monday 13th November

Upon arrival back in the UK, the main tour ended, but for those on the Extension, our first activity in the park was a game drive. We had tea and coffee at our cottages and met in the guest area at 5.30am. We were comfortably accommodated in one open jeep to the park gate, which was approximately 12 kilometres away. The drive from the lodge was through the buffer zone, which was interesting as we saw the fresh tracks of Leopard. Getting into the park itself was unique as we crossed a river on a jetty. On the other side was the park. We were then split between two vehicles with Peter and Kate being accompanied by Yusuf, whilst John, Maureen and Fiona were accompanied by the lodge naturalist. We saw quite a few interesting birds like Grey Heron, Ruddy Shelduck and Black-winged Stilt, to name a few. One group saw the Indian Giant Squirrel, whilst the other group saw a female Sloth Bear foraging. On the way back we saw a few River Lapwings.

After lunch we had time for a rest before our night drive in the buffer zone, which started with some birding around 4.30pm. We reached the Parsapaani area. We were in two vehicles with search lights. The night drive was interesting as sightings included Rusty-spotted Cat, Jungle Cat, Asian Palm Civet, Small Indian Civet, Wild Dogs, Indian Hare and Gaur. On our return, we headed straight for dinner.

Satpura Ext Day 3

Tuesday 14th November

Today we had a nature walk in the park. We woke at the usual time. We all gathered at the parking area at 5.30am. It was a 10-minute jetty ride to cross the river towards the walking trail. We had two park guides with us, with blow horns and pepper spray. Soon after starting our walk we saw the tracks of Leopard and Wild Dogs, and Wild Dog droppings. We followed the tracks and when we got to a rocky patch, we heard the yapping and squeaking sound of Wild Dogs. Yusuf and one of our park guides went to investigate whilst everyone slowly moved towards the spot where the calls were coming from. After about 10 feet a thump was heard as if a heavy animal had jumped off a tree and ran off. Also heard was the sawing sound by Leopard and vocalization by Wild Dogs. Some of the group managed to spot the Wild Dogs. We followed them, keeping a distance. We anticipated that the Leopard had been chased up a tree by the dogs, and there was interaction between them when we reached the spot. After a while everything was quite. Suddenly we again heard the Wild Dogs and Leopard at a distance. We stared following the calls and soon found the track which was quite recent. We heard something running in the bushes. We reached the spot quickly and again saw a few dogs, and this time we all saw the Wild

Dogs. We also saw tracks indicating a standoff between Leopard and Wild Dogs had occurred. After that we moved away and did some birding and had our picnic breakfast. On the way back we stopped at another lodge to look for Tawny-bellied Babbler. Whilst unsuccessful, we did see a few interesting birds including roosting Black-crowned Night Herons.

In the afternoon we had another game drive. After a few kilometres we saw Leopard tracks and also heard Langur distress calls from the baga nala. We decided to wait for a while, but without luck. We went further to look for Indian Giant Squirrel and finally found one, which pleased everyone.

In the evening we did the checklist followed by the dinner.

Satpura Ext Day 4

Wednesday 15th November

We met at the parking area at 5.30am for a game drive. We saw Indian Giant Squirrel, and towards the end of the drive we spotted a Sloth Bear sleeping in the shade. After a while the bear got up and looked towards us, possibly reacting to the sound we may have been making. On the way back to the lodge we heard Langur alarm calls. We followed the calls and got lucky with the sighting of Wild Dog.

In the afternoon we did a birding drive and got lucky with the sighting of two Indian Eagle-Owls, of which one was roosting on the ground and the other was on a tree. We got the opportunity to see them properly and to photograph them. Later we saw quite a few birds and came back to the lodge around sunset.

In the evening we did checklist and called it a night after dinner.

Satpura Ext Day 5

Thursday 16th November

Today was our last drive in the park. We met at the parking at the usual time of 5.30am. We were keen to get a glimpse of the elusive Leopard today. We saw some fantastic birds including a sighting of the mysterious Tawny-bellied Babbler, but not by Peter for whom it was a target. Towards the end of the drive we saw the tracks of a male Leopard, which we followed for almost three to four kilometres. We reached a spot where we heard Langur and squirrel distress calls. The calls were coming from the ridge and also from the other side of the road. Anticipating that the Leopard was still on the ridge and possibly close to where the squirrel was calling, the guide spotted it next to a rock. We all saw the Leopard and managed to take a few photographs before it moved away. It was an awesome end to our last safari of the tour.

Back at the lodge we had time to clean and change. We met for lunch and had just started when one of the lodge naturalists informed us about a flock of Tawny-bellied Babblers on the property. Yusuf took Peter to the area and he was delighted to see the babbler up close and take photographs. It put a smile back on his face and the naturalist was thanked for finding the bird for us.

After lunch we started our journey to Bhopal, via Bhimbetka and the rock paintings. It took us two hours to reach Bhimbetka, where we spent approximately 45 minutes looking at the paintings. We reached Jeh-numa Hotel to change and have dinner. Around 7pm we left for the airport. It took us 30 minutes to reach the airport, where we thanked Yusuf and said our goodbyes, before starting our journey back to the UK.

Satpura Ext Day 6

Friday 17th November

Our return flight landed back in the UK, where another Naturetrek adventure came to an end.

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Leopard

Species Lists

Birds (✓=recorded but not counted)

	Common name	Scientific name	November														
			3	4	5	6	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	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>			✓												
8	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
9	Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓
10	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Indian Pond Heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
12	Eastern Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus coromandus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
13	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>													✓		✓
14	Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>														✓	
15	Asian Openbill	<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		✓
16	Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
17	Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>						✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
18	Black-necked Stork	<i>Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus</i>															
19	Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>		✓						✓	✓	✓	✓				
20	Black-headed Ibis	<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										
21	Red-naped Ibis	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓						✓
22	Lesser Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	
23	Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>					✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Cotton Pygmy Goose	<i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i>							✓		✓						
25	Gadwall	<i>Anas strepera</i>						✓	✓								
26	Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>						✓	✓	✓	✓						
27	Spot-billed Duck	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>												✓	✓		

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			3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
28	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>							✓		✓					
29	Western Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>					✓	✓						✓		
30	Crested (Oriental) Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>			✓			✓						✓		✓
31	Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	✓		✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
32	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	✓					✓								✓
33	Rufous-bellied Eagle	<i>Hieraetus kienerii</i>									✓					
34	Grey-headed Fish Eagle	<i>Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus</i>					✓	✓		✓				✓		
35	White-rumped Vulture	<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>					✓				✓					
36	Indian Vulture	<i>Gyps indicus</i>					✓	✓			✓					
37	Red-headed Vulture	<i>Sarcogyps calvus</i>					✓									
38	Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>							✓	✓	✓					✓
39	Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓		✓			✓
40	White-eyed Buzzard	<i>Butastur teesa</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓					✓			
41	Changeable (Crested) Hawk-Eagle	<i>Nisaetus cirrhatus</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓
42	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>								✓		✓				
43	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>														✓
44	Jungle Bush Quail	<i>Perdica asiatica</i>			✓											
45	Rock Bush Quail	<i>Perdica argoondah</i>													✓	
46	Red Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix spadicea</i>		✓						✓						
47	Painted Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix lunulata</i>					✓									
48	Red Junglefowl	<i>Gallus gallus</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
49	Grey Junglefowl	<i>Gallus sonnerati</i>		✓	✓								✓			
50	Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
51	White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>		✓								✓			✓	
52	Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	✓						✓		✓					
53	Bronze-winged Jacana	<i>Metopidius indicus</i>		✓												
54	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
55	Indian Stone-curlew (Thick-knee)	<i>Burhinus indicus</i>				✓	✓	✓								
56	River Lapwing	<i>Vanellus duvaucelii</i>										✓	✓		✓	✓
57	Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>					✓				✓					
58	Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
59	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>				✓	✓						✓	✓	✓	✓

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60	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>			✓		✓									
61	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>					✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
62	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓								
63	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>			✓						✓					
64	River Tern	<i>Sterna aurantia</i>					✓						✓	✓	✓	✓
65	Black-bellied Tern	<i>Sterna acuticauda</i>											✓		✓	✓
66	Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>						✓								
67	Rock Dove (Common Pigeon)	<i>Columba livia</i>							✓			✓	✓		✓	✓
68	Oriental Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>							✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
69	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓
70	Spotted Dove	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
71	Laughing Dove	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
72	Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	<i>Treron phoenicoptera</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
73	Orange-breasted Green Pigeon	<i>Treron bicincta</i>													✓	
74	Alexandrine Parakeet	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
75	Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
76	Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
77	Jacobin Cuckoo	<i>Clamator jacobinus</i>				✓										
78	Common Hawk-Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus varius</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			
79	Asian Koel	<i>Eudynamys scolopacea</i>	✓												✓	
80	Sirkeer Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus leschenaultii</i>							✓				✓		✓	
81	Southern Coucal	<i>Centropus parroti</i>			✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓			✓
82	Indian Scops Owl	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
83	Indian Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo bengalensis</i>											✓		✓	
84	Dusky Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo coromandus</i>					✓									
85	Brown Fish Owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>	✓	✓												
86	Mottled Wood Owl	<i>Strix ocellata</i>			✓											
87	Jungle Owlet	<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					
88	Spotted Owlet	<i>Athene brama</i>										✓	✓	✓		✓
89	Indian Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus asiaticus</i>	✓	✓	✓								✓	✓	✓	✓
90	Savannah Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus affinis</i>											✓			
91	Asian Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus balasiensis</i>														✓

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92	Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymartia melba</i>										✓				
93	Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>		✓		✓										
94	Crested Treeswift	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓			✓		✓		✓
95	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
96	Stork-billed Kingfisher	<i>Pelargopsis capensis</i>				✓										
97	White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
98	Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>			✓	✓						✓	✓			
99	Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
100	Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
101	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
102	Indian Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyroceros birostris</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
103	Malabar Pied Hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros coronatus</i>					✓	✓							✓	
104	Brown-headed Barbet	<i>Megalaima zeylanica</i>					✓		✓	✓	✓					
105	Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Megalaima haemacephala</i>	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		
106	Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos moluccensis nanus</i>			✓					✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
107	Yellow-crowned Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos mahrattensis</i>					✓	✓						✓		✓
108	Rufous Woodpecker	<i>Celeus brachyurus</i>						✓			✓					
109	Black-rumped Flameback (Goldenback)	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
110	White-naped Woodpecker	<i>Chrysocolaptes festivus</i>									✓					
111	Rufous-tailed Lark	<i>Ammomanes phoenicurus</i>			✓	✓								✓		
112	Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	✓													✓
113	Dusky Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne concolor</i>											✓			✓
114	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>						✓								
115	Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>					✓	✓	✓							
116	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓								
117	White-browed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla madaraspatensis</i>	✓		✓		✓						✓	✓	✓	✓
118	Citrine Wagtail	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>					✓	✓								
119	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓
120	Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>			✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓	✓		✓
121	Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>				✓										
122	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>									✓			✓	✓	✓
123	Large Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina macei</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					

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124	Small Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i>							✓			✓		✓		✓	✓
125	Long-tailed Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus ethologus</i>												✓			
126	Orange (Scarlet) Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>								✓	✓	✓		✓			
127	White-bellied Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus erythropygius</i>														✓	✓
128	Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
129	Blue-winged Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis cochinchinensis</i>															✓
130	Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>					✓				✓	✓		✓			✓
131	Common Iora	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>		✓	✓	✓								✓		✓	✓
132	Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>												✓			
133	Orange-headed Thrush	<i>Zoothera citrina</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓							✓	✓
134	Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>				✓											
135	Grey-breasted Prinia	<i>Prinia hodgsonii</i>										✓					
136	Jungle Prinia	<i>Prinia sylvatica</i>				✓					✓						
137	Ashy Prinia	<i>Prinia socialis</i>							✓			✓					✓
138	Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inornata</i>		✓	✓	✓							✓			✓	✓
139	Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>					✓						✓				
140	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		✓													✓
141	Dusky Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus fuscatus</i>										✓				✓	
142	Tickell's Leaf Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus affinis</i>														✓	✓
143	Hume's Leaf Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus humei</i>							✓		✓						✓
144	Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>							✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			✓
145	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>		✓	✓						✓		✓			✓	✓
146	Orphean Warbler	<i>Sylvia hortensis</i>							✓								
147	Asian Brown Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>								✓	✓		✓				✓
148	Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>									✓		✓	✓	✓		
149	Taiga Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicilla</i>								✓	✓		✓				✓
150	Ultramarine Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula superciliaris</i>									✓						
151	Tickell's Blue Flycatcher	<i>Cyornis tickelliae</i>		✓	✓				✓		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
152	Grey-headed Canary-Flycatcher	<i>Culicicapa ceylonensis</i>					✓	✓	✓				✓			✓	✓
153	Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>				✓											
154	Oriental Magpie-Robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
155	White-rumped Shama	<i>Copsychus malabaricus</i>									✓						

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156	Indian Robin	<i>Saxicoloides fulicata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	
157	Siberian Stonechat	<i>Saxicola maurus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
158	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓								✓
159	Pied Bush Chat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	✓
160	White-spotted Fantail	<i>Rhipidura albogularis</i>													✓	
161	White-browed Fantail	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓					✓	✓	✓	✓
162	Black-naped Monarch	<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>	✓										✓			✓
163	Puff-throated Babbler	<i>Pellorneum ruficeps</i>										✓		✓		✓
164	Tawny-bellied Babbler	<i>Dumetia hyperythra</i>														✓
165	Yellow-eyed Babbler	<i>Chrysomma sinense</i>				✓						✓				
166	Common Babbler	<i>Turdoides caudatus</i>												✓	✓	✓
167	Large Grey Babbler	<i>Turdoides malcolmi</i>			✓											
168	Jungle Babbler	<i>Turdoides striatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
169	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
170	Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>	✓	✓	✓								✓			
171	Purple-rumped Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia zeylonica</i>	✓	✓												
172	Oriental White-eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>			✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
173	Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
174	Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
175	Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>							✓		✓		✓	✓		
176	Bay-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>			✓	✓			✓		✓			✓	✓	
177	Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	✓
178	Southern Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius meridionalis</i>						✓			✓					
179	Common Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>		✓	✓								✓		✓	✓
180	Black Drongo	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
181	Ashy Drongo	<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>		✓							✓		✓		✓	✓
182	White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
183	Spangled Drongo	<i>Dicrurus hottentottus</i>								✓						
184	Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
185	Rufous Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
186	House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>				✓		✓				✓	✓	✓		✓
187	Indian Jungle Crow	<i>Corvus culminatus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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188	Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
189	Asian Pied Starling	<i>Gracupica contra</i>				✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
190	Chestnut-tailed Starling	<i>Sturnia malabarica</i>							✓							
191	Brahminy Starling	<i>Temenuchus pagodarum</i>	✓		✓	✓					✓		✓	✓		✓
192	Rosy Starling	<i>Pastor roseus</i>												✓		✓
193	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
194	Chestnut-shouldered Petronia	<i>Petronia xanthocollis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
195	Red Avadavat	<i>Amandava amandava</i>			✓	✓	✓				✓					
196	White-rumped Munia	<i>Lonchura striata</i>			✓	✓							✓			✓
197	Nutmeg Mannikin	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>				✓	✓				✓		✓	✓		
198	Black-headed Munia	<i>Lonchura malacca</i>							✓							
199	Black-headed Bunting	<i>Emberiza melanocephala</i>								✓						
200	Red-headed Bunting	<i>Emberiza bruniceps</i>		✓												

Mammals

1	Royal Bengal Tiger	<i>Panthera tigris tigris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓					
2	Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus</i>								✓						✓
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	Common Mongoose	<i>Herpestes edwardsi</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓								
7	Ruddy Mongoose	<i>Herpestes smithii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓						
8	Golden Jackal	<i>Canis aureus</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
9	Dhole (Asiatic Wild Dog)	<i>Cuon alpinus dukhunensis</i>		✓			✓	✓					✓	✓		✓
10	Sloth Bear	<i>Merursus ursinus</i>			✓								✓	✓	✓	
11	Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus giganteus</i>					✓	✓								
12	Indian Tree Shrew	<i>Anathana ellioti</i>		✓	✓								✓			
13	Indian (Black-naped) Hare	<i>Lepus nigricollis</i>			✓		✓						✓	✓		
14	Three-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennarum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
15	Indian Giant Squirrel	<i>Ratufa indica</i>											✓		✓	✓
16	Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
17	Barasingha (Swamp Deer)	<i>Cervus duvauceli branderi</i>							✓	✓	✓					

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18	Chital (Spotted Deer)	<i>Cervus axis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
19	Indian Muntjac (Barking Deer)	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>		✓	✓						✓	✓				
20	Black Buck	<i>Antilope cervicapra</i>										✓				
21	Nilgai (Blue Bull)	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>			✓	✓	✓						✓	✓		✓
22	Indian Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓
23	Gaur	<i>Bos gauras</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓
24	Rusty-spotted Cat	<i>Prionailurus rubiginosus</i>											✓			
25	Small Indian Civit	<i>Viverricula indica</i>											✓			
26	Asian Palm Civit	<i>Paradoxurus hermaphroditus</i>											✓			

Others

1	Indian Flapshell Turtle	<i>Lissemys punctata</i>							✓		✓					
2	Marsh Mugger Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓										
3	Common Garden Lizard	<i>Calotes versicolor</i>		✓	✓											
4	House Gecko species	<i>Hemidactylus/Gehyra sp</i>		✓												
5	Common Tree Frog	<i>polypedates leucomystax</i>					✓	✓								
6	Spectacled Cobra	<i>Naja naja</i>										✓				
7	Indian Red Scorpion	<i>Hottentotta tamulus</i>												✓		
8	Rat Snake	<i>ptyas mucosa</i>													✓	