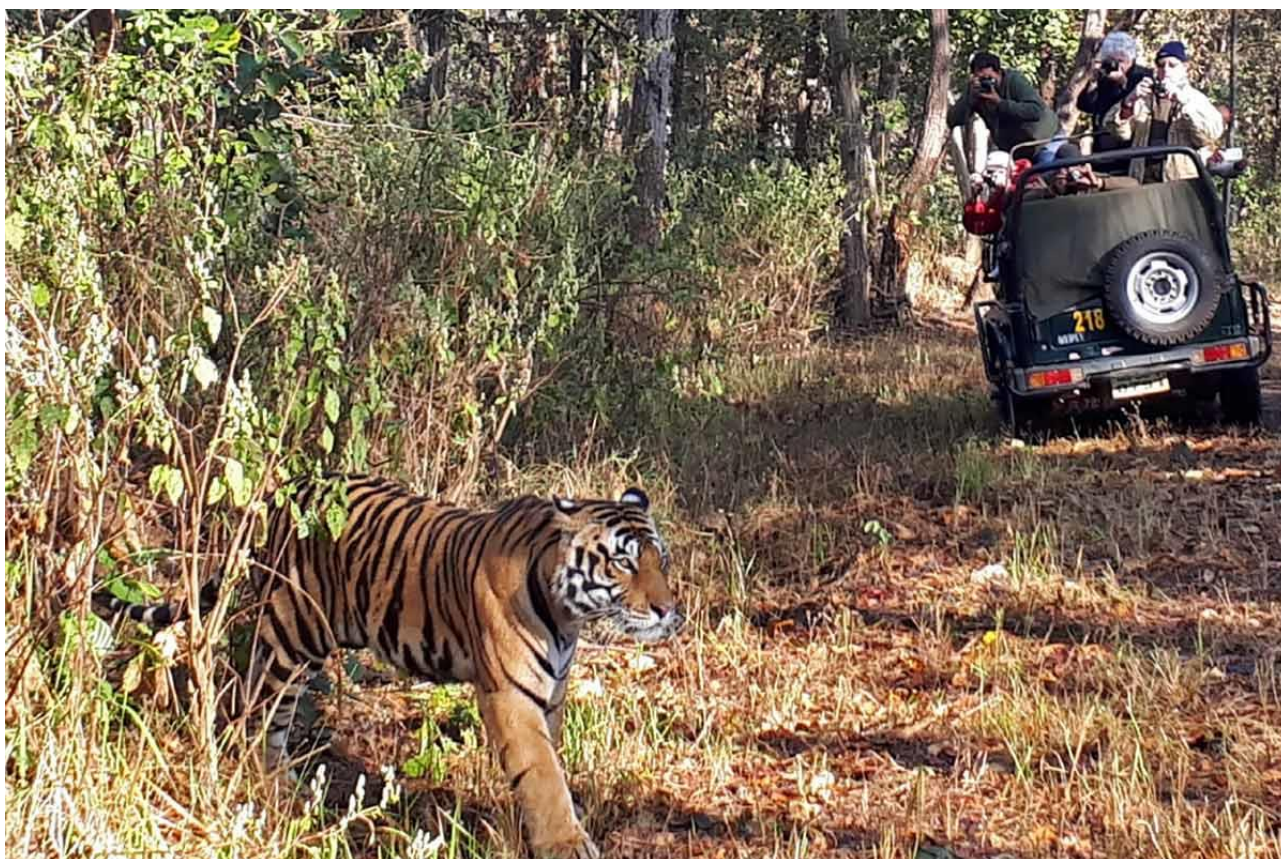


# India - Tiger Direct!

With pre and post extensions

Naturetrek Tour Report

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11 on the pre-tour Tadoba extension and 13 on the post-tour Satpura extension

## Summary

Not only just Tigers, we had good sightings of other wild animals too. The highlights of the tour included the sighting of male Tiger at Satpura Tiger Reserve on the night drive and the sighting of a Small Indian Civet cat. Our first drive in Tadoba was rewarded with a great Tiger sighting where we saw a dominant female tigress with two sub-adult male cubs and cross the road in front of our jeep.

We had sightings six different Tigers, Wild Dogs, Gaur and Sambar Deer on our pre-tour extension. On the post-tour extension, we had a good luck with Leopards, Tigers, Giant Squirrel, Sloth Bear, Wild Dogs and Rusty-spotted Cat. We also saw over 200 different species of birds, with raptors like Peregrine Falcon, Changeable Hawk-Eagle and Egyptian Vulture, waders like Black-winged Stilt, snipe, sandpipers, and many more. It was a great trip.

### Pre Extension Tour Day 1

Wednesday 7th February

In flight to India

### Pre Extension Tour Day 2

Thursday 8th February

The flight landed at Nagpur International Airport and we met our guests and drove to Hotel Radisson Blu, Nagpur. Later in the evening, at the dinner, there was a briefing about the next day's programme by both the tour leaders.

### Pre Extension Tour Day 3

Friday 9th February

After the breakfast we started our journey to Tadoba on the way we saw birds like Black Kite, Black-winged Kite, White-throated Kingfisher, Long-tailed Shrike, Common Myna, Indian Peafowl, Indian Roller and Jungle Babblers, etc. We reached the lodge around 1pm and we were welcomed by the smiling faces of the Svasara Lodge team. After we had lunch, we went on our first game drive in several jeeps, accompanied by a lodge naturalist.

Everyone was excited to see a Tiger: we drove a few kilometres and saw some jeeps lined up; we reached the spot quickly and saw a tigress sitting in the distance. After a few minutes she started walking towards our jeep; all three jeeps of our group had a very good sighting. We also saw some beautiful birds. We met again for the checklist in the guest area and had a briefing about the next day. Then we had dinner and went to the rooms.

### Pre Extension Tour Day 4

Saturday 10th February

Everyone had the wake-up call and we gathered for some tea and coffee in the guest area before leaving for the morning game drive. We reached the area and heard some alarm calls of Sambar deer and Spotted Deer. As we

reached the spot, a big male Tiger was walking; everyone had a good sighting. We also saw some beautiful birds and later some of the group had a good view of a Sloth Bear. We had breakfast and returned to the lodge.

In the afternoon, again, we went for a drive in the Buffer zone of the park. We saw some lovely birds such as Grey Heron, Indian Roller, Common Snipe, Orange-headed Thrush, Changeable (also called Crested) Hawk-Eagle, Indian Paradise Flycatcher, Yellow-wattled Lapwing and many more, with some animals including Four-horned Antelope, Blue Bull, Sambar deer, Spotted Deer and Gaur, among others.

## Pre Extension Tour Day 5 / Main Tour Day 1 Sunday 11th February

We had an early wake-up call and went for the morning drive. We had a very good view of Painted Sandgrouse, Crested Serpent Eagle, Yellow-footed Green Pigeon, Wild Boar, Golden Jackal and a Sloth Bear. We had breakfast inside the park.

Again, in the afternoon we went for a game drive and reached a spot where a Tiger had been sighted that morning, a mother with two very young cubs about three months old. We waited there about two hours, hearing the alarm calls of Spotted Deer and monkeys. From there we went to see a Sloth Bear, but one jeep stayed there to see the Tiger mother and cubs; finally, they have managed to see them moving in the grass. Like the previous days, we met again for the checklist.

Meanwhile, most of those joining the main tour were in flight to India.

## Pre Extension Tour Day 6 / Main Tour Day 2 Monday 12th February

Like other days, we all got the wake-up call on time, had tea and coffee, and went for our last Safari in Tadoba. The morning was a little colder than on the other days because clouds were all covering the sky. We decided to go to the Moharli range to look for the Wild Dogs and were lucky to find a pack of seven of them on the main road. We then had breakfast. While we were returning to the lodge all four jeeps saw three different Tigers.

We had lunch and drove to our next destination, Pench. On the way we saw some beautiful birds, such as Black-winged Kite, Black Kite, Indian Roller and Long-tailed Shrike. As we reached Pench, it started to rain. Four more guests joined us for the main tour; we did our checklist for the day at 7.30 and group went for the dinner. The final four guests checked in and we introduced them to the rest of the group and briefed them about the next day's programme.

## Day 3 Tuesday 13th February

We had tea, coffee and some cookies and went for the morning safari. There was not too much animal movement because it had rained very heavily during the night. We saw some good birds such as Indian Grey Hornbill, woodpeckers, Zitting Cisticola, shrikes, Painted Storks and many more. One of our jeeps had a very good sighting of a Leopard sitting on a rock for about 15 minutes. We had breakfast and returned to the lodge.

We went again for the afternoon safari. Clouds were there all over the sky and there was not too much movement of birds or animals. After some time, we saw some jeeps lined up at one place; we reached that spot and saw two Leopards lying down on a rock, behind the bushes.

Again we all met in the guest area for the checklist, had dinner and went to our rooms, and it rained heavily again at night.

## Day 4

## Wednesday 14th February

Like the other mornings, we met in dining area for tea and coffee with some cookies. The morning was bit colder than the other days. As we entered the park, the first animals we saw were Spotted Deer, Langurs and Gaur. We saw some good species of birds like Grey Heron, Ruddy Shelduck, Common Sandpiper, Indian Scops Owl, Brahminy Starling and many more. We had breakfast inside the park and when we were leaving, we had a good sighting of an Indian Rock Python. We returned to the Resort went to our rooms to wash and change, had lunch and then drove to Kanha for the next four nights.

We stopped on the way and reached Kanha Jungle Lodge after five hours drive. We were welcomed by the lodge staff at the parking area, had tea and coffee, and proceeded to our rooms. We met again for the checklist and we briefed them about the next day's Programme; we suggested the guests carry an extra jacket, as Kanha is colder than the other parks.

## Day 5

## Thursday 15th February

As expected, the early morning was quite cold. Everyone was excited to explore the park and, after tea and coffee, we drove to park gate. It was a wonderful experience for all the guests to see Kanha in the mist and to smell the typical fragrance of the Sal trees. As we entered inside we saw the fresh pugmarks of a male Tiger and decided to go to the other side. After a few minutes' drive, all four jeeps saw the sub-adult cubs of Mahaveer Female lying down by the side of the road. We also heard the growling of a female tigress in the distance, and she sighted by one of our jeeps. We watched them for about an hour before we had breakfast and returned to the lodge.

As on the other days, we went for an afternoon safari. We saw the Kanha endemic species Barasingha (Swamp Deer) and we drove to an area where we expected to see a tigress with cubs, but we couldn't find them. We decided to go and check the place where the Tiger had been sighted in the morning and, luckily, we found him in the same area. We drove back to the lodge and met later for the checklist and dinner, before we went to our rooms.

## Day 6

## Friday 16th February

It was cooler again as we set off for our morning game drive. Today, we were going to a different zone: the Kisli zone. On the way we saw some pugmarks of a female tigress and some beautiful birds: Racket-tailed Drongo, Shikra, Cinereous Tit (a split from Great Tit), Red-vented Bulbul, Common Sandpiper, Siberian Stonechat and many others. We stopped at Chimta camp for breakfast and watching birds before we returned to the lodge.

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.

## Day 7

## Saturday 17th February

We met for tea and coffee in the guest area before leaving for our game drive. It was quite a cold morning and we were provided with hot-water bottles and blankets to keep us warm! Today we were going to the Kanha zone. It was a long drive we saw Swamp Deer, Black Buck, Sambar Deer, Gaur and a few birds.

Our afternoon drive was our last drive in Kanha and everyone was hoping to see a Tiger; out of the four jeeps, unfortunately, three jeeps missed the Tiger in two places, but one group had a very good sighting of a female tigress.

in the evening we did the checklist, followed by our last dinner as a full group and the briefing for next day's programme.

## Main Tour Day 8 / Post Extension Day 1

## Sunday 18th February

Today we had a relaxed start and awoke around 6.30am. We all met at 7.30 for a walk. Then we had breakfast at the lodge at around 8.15 before the group split, with those finishing the main tour starting their return journey to the UK with a drive to Nagpur. Those continuing with the Satpura Extension started with their eight-hours' drive.

On the way to Satpura we stopped at Tamia for refreshing tea and coffee. We reached the Forsyth Lodge around 5pm and received a warm welcome from the lodge staff. We met for the checklist in the guest area at 7.30pm, followed by dinner.

## Main Tour Day 9 / Post Extension Day 2

## Monday 19th February

We had tea and coffee at the lodge, meeting at 6am, and were comfortably accommodated in an open jeep to the park gate. Getting into the park was unique, as we crossed the river on a Jetty. We saw few quite interesting birds, including Painted Stork, River Lapwing, Black-winged Stilt, Peregrine Falcon and Little Ringed Plover. We also saw Gaur, Indian Giant Squirrel and a Leopard - and much more!

After lunch we had time for a rest before our night drive in the Buffer zone. We started with birding, around 4.30pm. We reached the Pursapani area and were in three jeeps with search lights. The night drive was very interesting as sightings included Tiger, Rusty-spotted Cat, Jungle Cat, Asian Palm Civet, Indian Hare and Gaur. On our return we headed straight for dinner.

Those returning to the UK today landed in London after an exciting trip with great wildlife.

## Post Extension Day 3

## Tuesday 20th February

We meet at the guest area for tea and coffee before going for the safari. Again, we were in three jeeps going to the park. When we had crossed the river, the first animals we saw were Wild Dogs, and also Sloth Bear, Sambar

Deer, Gaur and Indian Giant Squirrel. Birds included Painted Stork, Knob-billed Duck (also called Comb Duck), Cotton Pygmy Goose, vultures, Shikra, Long-tailed Shrike, Small Minivet, Scarlet Minivet, and many more.

After lunch we went on the afternoon drive. After an hour, two jeeps from our group manage to see the Tiger lying down in the far distance. In the evening we did the checklist and had the briefing about the next day's programme.

## Post Extension Day 4

### Wednesday 21st February

Today we had a nature walk in the buffer zone. We had two park guides with us. Soon after starting our walk, we saw the tracks of a Leopard. We also saw some beautiful birds, such as Indian Grey Hornbill, Malabar Pied Hornbill, Alexandrine Parakeet, Oriental White-eye, Indian Roller, Paddyfield Pipit, and many others.

We had lunch and went out again for a night drive. We saw some more beautiful birds on the way. The first animals we saw were Spotted Deer and Samabar Deer, and the highlight of the day was watching a mother Sloth Bear with two young ones for about an hour. On the way back one of our jeeps had a good sighting of Rusty-spotted Cat. Afterwards, we went straight to dinner.

## Post Extension Day 5

### Thursday 22nd February

Today was our last drive in the Park. We met at the guest area for tea and coffee. We saw some fantastic birds like Puff-throated Babbler, Minivets, Greenish Warbler, Hair-crested (also called Spangled) Drongo, River Lapwing and beautiful animals etc.

Back at the lodge we had time to clean and change and have lunch before we started our journey to Bhopal. It took us three-and-a-half hours to reach Bhopal, where we went to our hotel, the Jehan Numa Palace to change and have dinner, and we all did our final checklist. Around 8pm we left for the airport.

## Post Extension Day 6

### Friday 23rd February

The flight from India landed in the UK and another Naturetrek adventure came to an end.

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## Species Lists

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

	Common name	Scientific name	February														
			9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
1	Lesser Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	
2	Bar-headed Goose	<i>Anser indicus</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓	
3	Knob-billed (Comb) Duck	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓	
4	Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>		✓			✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
5	Cotton Pygmy Goose	<i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i>								✓							
6	Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>														✓	
7	Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>							✓								
8	Indian Spot-billed Duck	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>					✓							✓	✓	✓	
9	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>															
10	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>							✓	✓	✓						
11	Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>							✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			
12	Grey Francolin	<i>Francolinus pondicerianus</i>										✓				✓	
13	Jungle Bush Quail	<i>Perdica asiatica</i>		✓	✓												
14	Red Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix spadicea</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	
15	Red Junglefowl	<i>Gallus gallus</i>	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
16	Grey Junglefowl	<i>Gallus sonnerati</i>		✓	✓	✓							✓	✓	✓	✓	
17	Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
18	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	✓						✓	✓							
19	Painted Stork	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>					✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	
20	Asian Openbill	<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	
21	Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>							✓	✓	✓		✓				
22	Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>					✓		✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	
23	Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>							✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	
24	Red-naped Ibis	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
25	Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓	
26	Indian Pond Heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓	
27	Eastern Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus coromandus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
28	Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
29	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	✓			✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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			9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
30	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>		✓														
31	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
32	Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
33	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	✓								✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
34	Indian Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
35	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>							✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		
36	Little Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo niger</i>	✓	✓					✓			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
37	Oriental Darter	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>	✓								✓					✓		
38	Western Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>						✓										
39	Black-winged Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	
40	Crested (Oriental) Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	
41	Egyptian Vulture	<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>												✓				
42	White-rumped Vulture	<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>							✓									
43	Indian Vulture	<i>Gyps indicus</i>												✓	✓	✓	✓	
44	Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>			✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
45	Changeable Hawk-Eagle	<i>Nisaetus cirrhatus</i>		✓					✓			✓		✓				
46	Black Eagle	<i>Ictinaetus malaiensis</i>								✓								
47	Bonelli's Eagle	<i>Aquila fasciatus</i>														✓		
48	Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>		✓		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	
49	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	✓			✓			✓				✓				✓	
50	Grey-headed Fish Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus ichthyaetus</i>		✓		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
51	White-eyed Buzzard	<i>Butastur teesa</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓		✓		✓	✓	
52	Brown Crake	<i>Amaurornis akool</i>																
53	White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
54	Grey-headed Swamphen (Purple split)	<i>Porphyrio poliocephalus</i>																
55	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>															✓	
56	Barred Buttonquail	<i>Turnix suscitator</i>													✓			
57	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>		✓		✓	✓							✓	✓	✓	✓	
58	River Lapwing	<i>Vanellus duvaucelii</i>												✓	✓	✓	✓	
59	Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>		✓			✓				✓	✓						
60	Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
61	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>							✓	✓				✓	✓			

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			9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
62	Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>												✓		✓		
63	Greater Painted-snipe	<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>										✓						
64	Bronze-winged Jacana	<i>Metopidius indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓								✓		✓	✓	
65	Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>														✓		
66	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>		✓						✓	✓	✓						
67	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>			✓				✓	✓			✓					
68	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>								✓								
69	Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>																✓
70	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>											✓	✓				
71	Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>														✓		
72	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>											✓	✓				
73	Indian Courser	<i>Cursorius coromandelicus</i>													✓			
74	Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>															✓	
75	River Tern	<i>Sterna aurantia</i>					✓							✓	✓	✓	✓	
76	Black-bellied Tern	<i>Sterna acuticauda</i>													✓	✓		
77	Painted Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles indicus</i>			✓													
78	Rock Dove (Common Pigeon)	<i>Columba livia</i>												✓				
79	Oriental Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>								✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		
80	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓										✓	✓	
81	Spotted Dove	<i>Spilopelia chinensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
82	Laughing Dove	<i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>			✓										✓			
83	Orange-breasted Green Pigeon	<i>Treron bicinctus</i>																✓
84	Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	<i>Treron phoenicoptera</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
85	Southern (Greater) Coucal	<i>Centropus sinensis parroti</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
86	Sirkeer Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus leschenaultii</i>		✓														
87	Common Hawk-Cuckoo	<i>Hierococcyx varius</i>								✓	✓							
88	Asian Koel	<i>Eudynamys scolopaceus</i>		✓			✓											
89	Eastern Barn Owl (split)	<i>Tyto javanica</i>											✓			✓		
90	Indian Scops Owl	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>		✓			✓				✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	
91	Brown Fish Owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>		✓		✓				✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		
92	Mottled Wood Owl	<i>Strix ocellata</i>					✓	✓										
93	Jungle Owlet	<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>					✓		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		

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94	Spotted Owlet	<i>Athene brama</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		
95	Brown Hawk-Owl	<i>Ninox scutulata</i>										✓						
96	Jungle (Grey) Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus indicus</i>											✓					
97	Indian Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus asiaticus</i>											✓		✓			
98	Crested Treeswift	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>											✓		✓	✓		
99	Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
100	Stork-billed Kingfisher	<i>Pelargopsis capensis</i>											✓		✓	✓		
101	White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
102	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>					✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
103	Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
104	Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
105	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
106	Malabar Pied Hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros coronatus</i>								✓				✓				
107	Indian Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyroceros birostris</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
108	Brown-headed Barbet	<i>Psilopogon zeylanicus</i>							✓	✓	✓		✓	✓				
109	Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Psilopogon haemacephalus</i>							✓	✓	✓							
110	Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	<i>Yungipicus nanus</i>											✓			✓		
111	Yellow-crowned Woodpecker	<i>Leiopicus mahrattensis</i>											✓	✓	✓			
112	Rufous Woodpecker	<i>Micropternus brachyurus</i>																
113	Black-rumped Flameback (L.Goldenb.)	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
114	White-naped Woodpecker	<i>Chrysocolaptes festivus</i>									✓							
115	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>										✓		✓				
116	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓		
117	Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
118	Alexandrine Parakeet	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
119	Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
120	Common Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>											✓					
121	Common Iora	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>												✓	✓			
122	Large Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina macei</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
123	Small Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i>											✓	✓				
124	Scarlet Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>									✓		✓					
125	Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>							✓	✓								

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126	Isabelline Shrike	<i>Lanius isabellinus</i>														✓			
127	Bay-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>														✓	✓		
128	Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
129	Indian Golden Oriole (split)	<i>Oriolus kundoo</i>									✓	✓	✓		✓				
130	Black-naped Oriole	<i>Oriolus chinensis</i>														✓			
131	Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>	✓					✓			✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
132	Black Drongo	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
133	Ashy Drongo	<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>										✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
134	White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>		✓	✓	✓					✓								
135	Hair-crested (Spangled) Drongo	<i>Dicrurus hottentottus</i>									✓	✓							
136	Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
137	White-spotted Fantail	<i>Rhipidura albogularis</i>														✓			
138	White-browed Fantail	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓								✓	✓	✓	✓	
139	Black-naped Monarch	<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>																	
140	Indian Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>		✓															
141	Rufous Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
142	House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
143	Indian Jungle Crow	<i>Corvus {macrorhynchos}culminatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
144	Grey-headed Canary-flycatcher	<i>Culicicapa ceylonensis</i>											✓		✓				✓
145	Cinereous Tit (split fr Great)	<i>Parus cinereus</i>										✓			✓	✓			✓
146	Rufous-tailed Lark	<i>Ammomanes phoenicura</i>													✓				
147	Ashy-crowned Sparrow-lark	<i>Eremopterix grisea</i>															✓		
148	Indian Bush Lark	<i>Mirafra erythroptera</i>				✓												✓	
149	Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
150	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>				✓		✓			✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
151	Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>					✓						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
152	Dusky Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne concolor</i>					✓	✓											
153	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓				
154	Sulphur-bellied Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus griseolus</i>		✓												✓			
155	Hume's Leaf Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus humei</i>																	✓
156	Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>		✓															
157	Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>										✓	✓						

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158	Jungle Prinia	<i>Prinia sylvatica</i>													✓	✓		
159	Ashy Prinia	<i>Prinia socialis</i>			✓							✓		✓		✓	✓	
160	Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inornata</i>										✓						
161	Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>				✓							✓	✓		✓		
162	Tawny-bellied Babbler	<i>Dumetia hyperythra</i>															✓	
163	Puff-throated Babbler	<i>Pellorneum ruficeps</i>														✓	✓	
164	Jungle Babbler	<i>Turdoides striatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
165	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>											✓		✓	✓		
166	Yellow-eyed Babbler	<i>Chrysomma sinense</i>									✓							
167	Oriental White-eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>												✓				
168	Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
169	Pied Myna (Asian Pied Starling)	<i>Gracupica contra</i>							✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
170	Chestnut-tailed Starling	<i>Sturnia malabarica</i>							✓		✓							
171	Brahminy Starling	<i>Temenuchus pagodarum</i>		✓	✓	✓					✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
172	Rosy Starling	<i>Pastor roseus</i>									✓							
173	Orange-headed Thrush	<i>Geokichla citrina</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	
174	Tickell's Thrush	<i>Turdus unicolor</i>														✓		
175	Indian Robin	<i>Copsychus fulicatus</i>		✓	✓		✓				✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
176	Oriental Magpie-Robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
177	White-rumped Shama	<i>Copsychus malabaricus</i>										✓						
178	Asian Brown Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>		✓									✓	✓	✓	✓		
179	Tickell's Blue Flycatcher	<i>Cyornis tickelliae</i>	✓	✓									✓	✓	✓	✓		
180	Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>											✓					
181	Taiga Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicilla</i>											✓					
182	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		✓			✓	✓					✓	✓				
183	Siberian Stonechat	<i>Saxicola maurus</i>							✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
184	Pied Bush Chat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>		✓			✓						✓	✓	✓	✓		
185	Grey Bush Chat	<i>Saxicola ferreus</i>							✓						✓			
186	Blue-winged Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis cochinchinensis</i>												✓				
187	Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>									✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		
188	Thick-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum agile</i>									✓		✓	✓				
189	Pale-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum erythrorhynchos</i>												✓				

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190	Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>		✓	✓		✓						✓	✓	✓	✓		
191	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
192	Yellow-throated Sp. (Chestnut-sh. Pet)	<i>Gymnoris xanthocollis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						✓	✓	✓	✓		
193	Indian Silverbill	<i>Euodice malabarica</i>												✓				
194	White-rumped Munia	<i>Lonchura striata</i>				✓												
195	Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>		✓									✓	✓				
196	Citrine Wagtail	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>		✓				✓			✓		✓					
197	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
198	White-browed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla madaraspatensis</i>					✓						✓	✓	✓	✓		
199	Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>							✓				✓	✓		✓		
200	Olive-backed Pipit	<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>					✓	✓										
201	Common Rosefinch	<i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i>											✓					

## Mammals

## Scientific name

1	Royal Bengal Tiger	<i>Panthera tigris tigris</i>	1F2C	1M2C	1F	1F2C			5T1F	1F	1F		1M	1F	1F		
2	Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus</i>					1C	1M					✓				
3	Jungle Cat	<i>Felis chaus kelaarita or kutas</i>							✓		✓		✓		✓		
4	Asian Palm Civet	<i>Paradoxurus hermaphroditus</i>											✓				
33	Small Indian Civet	<i>Viverricula indica</i>	✓										✓			✓	
34	Rusty-spotted Cat	<i>Prionailurus rubiginosus</i>											✓		✓		
4	Rhesus Macaque	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>				✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
5	S. Plains (Common) Grey Langur	<i>Semnopithecus dussumieri (spl fr entellus)</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
7	Common Mongoose	<i>Herpestes edwardsi</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓											
9	Ruddy Mongoose	<i>Herpestes smithii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓					✓	
10	Golden Jackal	<i>Canis aureus</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
11	Dhole (Asiatic Wild Dog)	<i>Cuon alpinus dukhunensis</i>				✓										✓	
12	Sloth Bear	<i>Merursus ursinus</i>		✓	✓							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
14	Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus giganteus</i>					✓	✓									
16	Indian or Black-naped Hare	<i>Lepus nigricollis</i>											✓		✓		
19	Three-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennarum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
22	Indian Giant Squirrel	<i>Ratufa indica</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓	
23	Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	

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24	Barasingha (Swamp Deer)	<i>Cervus duvauceli branderi</i>								✓	✓	✓					
25	Chital (Spotted Deer)	<i>Cervus axis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
26	Indian Muntjac (Barking Deer)	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>		✓		✓				✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	
27	Black Buck	<i>Antilope cervicapra</i>								✓		✓					
28	Chousingha (Four-horned Antelope)	<i>Tetracerus quadricornis</i>		✓	✓												
30	Nilgai (Blue Bull)	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						✓	✓	✓	✓
31	Indian Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
32	Gaur	<i>Bos gaurus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓

Other fauna

1	Indian Flapshell Turtle	<i>Lissemys punctata</i>												✓		✓		
2	Indian Rock Python	<i>Python molurus</i>					✓	✓										
3	Marsh Mugger Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>	✓		✓									✓	✓	✓	✓	
4	Water Snake species	<i>Natrix sp</i>			✓													
5	House Gecko species	<i>Hemidactylus or Gehyra etc sp</i>					✓									✓	✓	
6	Common Bronzeback Tree Snake	<i>Dendrelaphis tristis</i>												✓		✓		



Royal Bengal Tiger by Rita Lewis



Sloth Bear & cub by David Stringer