

India – Tigers Direct!

with pre (Tadoba) and post (Satpura) extension tours

Naturetrek Tour Report

3rd – 17th November 2022



Barasingha – male in Kanha



Sloth Bears in Satpuda



Royal Bengal Tiger in Pench



Leopard in Satpuda

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Summary

This report covers the India - Tiger Direct! nine-day tour and incorporates the Tadoba pre-tour extension and the Satpura post-tour extension.

Pre-extension Day 1

Wednesday 2nd November

The pre-tour extension started at London Heathrow Airport with an overnight flight to Nagpur through Doha, Qatar.

Pre-extension Day 2

Thursday 3rd November

One of our clients arrived a day early, while seven others arrived on 3rd November. We were greeted on arrival at the hotel and then directed to our rooms after conveying the time to meet in the afternoon. In the afternoon, Kaustubh visited the hotel and we all met at the lobby, where we were briefed about the schedule of departure and the plan for the next day.

Pre-extension Day 3

Friday 4th November

The weather this morning was clear and had warmed up by the time we started our journey to Tadoba. The drive was good. It took us 2.5 hrs to reach the lodge. On arrival, we proceeded for lunch, after lunch, we went to our rooms and returned after a brief break for our afternoon safari, during which we had good sightings of herbivores, Ruddy Mongoose and many birds. We then returned to the lodge. One of our jeeps had a wonderful sighting of a Tigress, which walked on the road, spray and scratch marked the trees and then disappeared into the dense undergrowth. While waiting for her to re-emerge, we had a brief sighting of a Sloth Bear, foraging in the tall grasses.

We later met for the checklist, which was followed by dinner and then, after briefing the plan for the next morning, we retired to our rooms.

Pre-extension Day 4

Saturday 5th November

For our second safari, we started for the park early in the morning. We checked Tadoba Lake where we had good views of a Marsh Crocodile, that had just emerged for basking. We later drove towards chital road and checked other areas, as there were some fresh pug marks of a Tiger.

After a sumptuous breakfast and everyone excited, we then proceeded to exit the park. On the way back, Julie, one of the guests in the jeep spotted a Painted Sandgrouse, which was totally blended with the surrounding rocks and grass.

Once back at the lodge, we met for lunch. Then we had our afternoon safari, wherein we visited different areas of the park, and had a good views of Red Spurfowl, Mottled Wood Owl, Gaur and turtles.

We then returned to the lodge and later met for the checklist, which was followed by dinner,

Pre-extension Day 5

Sunday 6th November

This morning we again set out on another early morning safari. We found the forest was very quiet. We checked the Pandherpauni area and Tadoba lake, where we saw a Crocodile basking on the bank. Later we watched a Crested Hawk Eagle on Chital Road, and everyone had a very clear and long views of it and then we proceeded for breakfast, and visited the Tadoba lake again, where we watched birds like Black-headed Ibis, Red-naped Ibis, and also heard the Grey-headed Fish Eagle. We then returned to the lodge.

In the afternoon we visited Pandherpauni waterhole, Tadoba Lake, Chital road, Jamunbodi, and we received the information from a passing by vehicle about the Tiger being seen at Waterhole no 97. We went to the spot and there he was, sleeping on the embankment. We watched him for a very long time and then it was time for us to exit the park. Back at the lodge, with everyone very happy, we met for the checklist, which was followed by dinner and briefing for the next day's schedule.

Pre-extension Day 6 / Main Tour Day 2

Monday 7th November

Today started with a slightly delayed start, as we were doing a nature walk in the area around the lodge. We had good views of Tickell's Blue Flycatcher, Orange-headed Thrush, Scaly-breasted Munias, Yellow-throated Sparrows, Woolly-necked Storks flying past, and a lot more, then we returned to the lodge, ate a nice and hot breakfast, and got ready to start with our drive towards Pench.

With a brief stop for stretching and refreshments, our drive to Pench took four hours and we arrived by 12:45pm. We then met the rest of the group at lunch, who had arrived at Nagpur for the main tour in the morning.

After lunch we proceeded for our first safari at Pench. One of our jeeps had a good sighting of a Tigress crossing the road. On that safari we had good sightings of Grey-headed Fish Eagle, Crested Serpent Eagle and Crested Hawk Eagle. We waited in anticipation of the Tiger to cross the road again, but soon it was time to return to the lodge.

At the lodge we met for the checklist and celebrated Richard's birthday. We had a good dinner and after briefing about plans for the next day, we called it a night.

Day 3

Tuesday 8th November

It was quite refreshing to be in the forest in the morning. We watched a few Sambar, Spotted Deer, Jackals, Langur and Rhesus Macaques. One of the jeep guests had a glimpse of two young Leopard cubs, as the rushed into the bushes, the other jeep had a wonderful sub adult Leopard which sat in the grass, and we watched it for over 20 mins, before it moved into the forest. Another jeep guests from our group sighted a pack of Wild Dogs. We had good views of Blue Bull, Gaur and many more. We also watched some interesting birds like Ruddy Shelduck, Lesser Goldenback, Black Storks, and Indian and White-rumped Vultures to name a few.

The afternoon was rewarding for one of our jeeps, as they watched a Tigress, that crossed a stream full of water and disappeared into the dense undergrowth. We watched a lot of deer, and also a few birds, and just before exiting the gate we watched a pack of Wild Dogs again. While guests in another jeep had a Leopard which walked across the path.

Back at the lodge, we met for checklist, and celebrated Michael's Birthday, and after dinner and a briefing about the next day's programme, we retired to our rooms.

Day 4

Wednesday 9th November

This morning it was quite chilly. After early morning hot beverages, we set off on our last safari at Pench. We saw quite a few birds and mammals, We waited at spot where there were a lot of alarm calls, and then appeared a Tigress, which walked around quite a lot, and tried to chase a herd of chital. While the guests in another jeep watched the Wild Dogs. Then we proceeded to have our breakfast and then returned to the lodge.

We had an early lunch and left Pench at 1pm to drive through some towns and beautiful countryside to Kanha. We reached our next destination before sunset and were welcomed by hospitable staff at Kanha Jungle Lodge.

After check in, we had refreshing teas and coffees before meeting again at 7.30pm to do the checklist before dinner.

Day 5

Thursday 10th November

The early morning was freezing! After hot refreshments, next to a campfire, we drove to the park. We moved around quite a lot, tracking pug marks, to have a sighting, we then came across a Tigress sitting besides the road, but in dense vegetation. We waited for a while when she walked right out and walked on the road in front of us, and we kept on trailing. Later, we watched her walk besides the jeep and then saw her in the meadows, from where she crossed from under the bridge we had parked up on. We then headed for breakfast. After breakfast, as we drove back, we suddenly came across the same Tigress waiting to cross the road, and she did. We then headed out for the park as it was nearing closing time for the morning safari.

During the afternoon drive we had good sightings of Barasingha Deer in the water, a large sounder of Wild Pigs, and a variety of birds like Northern Pintail, Common Teal, Cotton Pygmy Geese, White-rumped Shama, Puff-throated Babbler, etc. Once back at the lodge we met to do the checklist, which was followed by dinner.

Day 6

Friday 11th November

We woke quite early for yet another exciting day. Hot cup of freshly brewed coffee were a boon. Today we again explored the Mukki zone. As we entered the park, we didn't travel too far, as we saw a Tigress, which walked across the road, and onto the road, before she sat down in tall grasses. It was a wonderful sighting. We then saw a pack of two Wild Dogs before we went ahead for breakfast. After breakfast, we headed out of the park.

On the afternoon drive we went into Mukki zone again. We had a good sighting of a Tigress, which walked on the road, and then went away into the bushes. We then explored other roads, to check for activity there, before heading back to the lodge.

Back at the lodge, we met to do the checklist around the fireplace before dinner.

Day 7

Saturday 12th November

Today we were heading to the Kanha zone. The drive was long and interesting, but just as we were driving, suddenly there was a Tigress standing besides the road, behind her followed her two cubs. The Tigress sat besides the road for a while with her cubs, offering us some great views, before she crossed the road and went away. On reaching Kanha Meadows, we had a wonderful sighting of an adult Blackbuck and a herd of Barasinghas. There were also a couple of Jackals, scouring the forest floor. We then headed to the centre point for breakfast and facilities. We later returned to the lodge.

The afternoon drive was also quite quiet. After following a track of Tiger, and waiting for a long time, we decided to head over to another area but it was very quiet. During the last few minutes before exiting the gate, we heard a few Chital distress calls. We waited for a while but the predator was not seen. And we had to exit.

Back at the lodge, we met in the evening to do the checklist, which was followed by a farewell dinner.

Day 7

Sunday 13th November

Today we had a leisurely start and a nature trail. After breakfast the group split with eight members went to Satpura for the post-tour extension with Kaustubh, whilst the eight finishing the main tour set out for Nagpur with Mugdha.

The guests who headed to Nagpur, reached the Radisson Blu in six hours, after enjoying the farewell dinner and some rest they were driven to the airport for their flight back home we bid goodbye to Mugdha and headed inside the airport for the check-in formalities.

The drive to Satpuda, was through some very picturesque tiny tribal hamlets, some bustling markets in the towns, Sunday bazaars and beautifully green agricultural landscapes. The markets were vibrant and the delicately arranged fruits and vegetables on hand carts looked like pieces of art. The journey lasted about eight hours, in which we also had a stop for stretching and facilities. Once we reached the Lodge, we were welcomed by the wonderful staff at Reni Pani, and were briefed about our programme for the next few days.

We later met for some drinks and dinner, before calling it an early night.

Day 8

Monday 14th November

With an early morning wake up call, we started off for our first safari into the park. On the way to towards the park, we had a good view of Indian and Savanna Nightjar. On reaching the gate, we were transferred to the boat to cross the reservoir, and then on the other side, our safari started. As soon as we crossed the gate, we saw fresh tracks of a male Tiger, but with no alarm calls or sings, we drove further. But within the first 15 minutes, Kaustubh heard alarm calls, and we rushed in that direction, and immediately saw a Leopard walking the path towards us. as soon as it saw us, it rushed into the bushes, and then again emerged to walk across the path and then crossed the

main road to disappear into the forest. It was an amazing start, and before our excitement could end, we watched a Sloth Bear mother with her two cubs crossing the road, merely 50 metres from the leopards sighting spot. We then headed back for breakfast, while following the tracks of a Tigress the whole time. And then returned to the park gate and then to the lodge. On our drive back, we watched a large herd of Blackbucks at a distance.

Day 9

Tuesday 15th November

With an early morning wake up call, we started off for our safari into the park. As we started with our safari, we followed some tracks and calls, but the predators remained elusive. We had good sighting of Indian Giant Squirrels as we headed for breakfast. While we had our breakfast, we watched the River Lapwings, very close by. Also seen on the safari was a Eurasian Wryneck. After breakfast we checked a few other areas, heard a few alarm calls, but by then it was time for us to exit the park.

On returning to the lodge, we had our lunch and then proceeded for a Boat safari. We had excellent views of Pied Kingfishers, River Tern and Black-bellied Tern, Oriental Darter, Grey-headed Fish Eagle, large Crocodiles and then we heard Sambar and Langur alarm calls closer to the banks, but we had to leave as time was limited and also the calls had moved further away. On the drive back, we got good views of Indian Hare.

On returning to the lodge, we met for checklist followed by dinner.

Day 10

Wednesday 16th November

With an early morning wake up call, we started off for our safari into the park. Early in the safari we had a good sighting of a Leopard crossing the road, then walking in the thickets, and then crossed again, before disappearing into the forest. We then headed for breakfast, and after breakfast we searched for the Sloth Bear which we got the information about. Finally, we were able to spot the bears at a distance, before it was time for us to head back to the lodge.

On reaching the lodge, we met for lunch and then post lunch we had some time to rest as we were going for the night safari.

After High tea, we proceeded for the night safari, we heard some alarm calls, but didn't see any predators. We had good views of Eurasian Hobby, Indian Nightjar, Asian Palm Civet, Bengal Fox, and Chinkaras. It was a wonderful experience to hear the Indian Eagle Owl as it hooted nearby but couldn't be seen.

On returning, we proceeded straight for dinner. And called it a night.

Day 11

Thursday 17th November

Today we had a leisurely wake up, we had a nice hot breakfast, and then proceeded for our village birding safari. We had excellent views of Golden-fronted Leafbird, Oriental White-eye, parakeets, and a lot of other species. We then checked for the Indian Eagle Owl, but we couldn't find it. We then saw a large herd of Blackbucks grazing in the field close to the road.

We then returned to the lodge, had some time to pack and then left for Bhopal with packed lunch. On the way to Bhopal, we visited Bhimbethka to explore the rock paintings. We hired a local guide, who explained in detail about the paintings, and once we were done, we proceeded with our drive to Bhopal. We had a nice meal and also did the final checklist at Jehan Numa Palace hotel before heading to the airport.

We boarded the flight to Mumbai, and on arrival, all of us bid goodbye to Kaustubh as we headed to the international departures, while the three members, were doing the local sightseeing in Mumbai, left the airport for their stay at Trident in Mumbai.

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Species lists

Birds (H = Heard only)

		November 2022														
Common name	Scientific name	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
Lesser Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>						1		1				1			
Bar-headed Goose	<i>Anser indicus</i>													1		
Knob-billed (Comb) Duck	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>													1		
Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>				1	1	1									
Cotton Pygmy Goose	<i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i>							1	1	1						
Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>					?		1	1	1						
Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Mareca penelope</i>					?										
Indian Spot-billed Duck	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>							1						1		
Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>							1	1	1						
Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>							1	1	1						
Grey Francolin	<i>Francolinus pondicerianus</i>									H				1	1	
Red Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix spadicea</i>		1		1			1								
Painted Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix lunulata</i>															
Red Junglefowl	<i>Gallus gallus</i>						1	1	1	1						
Grey Junglefowl	<i>Gallus sonnerati</i>	H	1									1	1	1		
Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>				1	1	1	1	1	1						
Painted Stork	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>								1					1	1	
Asian Openbill	<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>		1		1	1	1							1	1	
Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>					1	1	1	1	1						
Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>	1				1	1	1					1	1	1	
Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>	1	1					1								
Black-headed Ibis	<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>		1	1												
Red-naped Ibis	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>			1		1										
Indian Pond Heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Eastern Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus coromandus</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>					1	1					1	1	1	1	
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>													1		

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		4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	
Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	1			1	1	1	1	1	1					
Indian Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>				1	1							1		
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>											1	1	1	
Little Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo niger</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	
Oriental Darter	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>			1								1	1		
Western Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>						1								
Black-winged Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	1			1		1		1		1	1	1	1	1
Crested (Oriental) Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>	1	1	1										1	1
Egyptian Vulture	<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>				1										1
White-rumped Vulture	<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>					1	1	1							
Indian Vulture	<i>Gyps indicus</i>					1				1					
Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>									1					
Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>				1			1	1	1			1	1	
Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>														
Changeable Hawk-Eagle	<i>Nisaetus cirrhatus</i>		1	1	1	1		1						1	1
Indian Spotted Eagle	<i>Aquila hastata</i>								?	?					
Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>	1	1	1	1		1	1			1		1	1	1
Hen Harrier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>										1				
Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	1									1				
Grey-headed Fish Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus ichthyaeus</i>			H	1	1	H						1		
White-eyed Buzzard	<i>Butastur teesa</i>				1	1			?	?			1		1
White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>		1	1											
Grey-headed Swampphen (Purple split)	<i>Porphyrio poliocephalus</i>								1						
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>						1	1							
Barred Buttonquail	<i>Turnix suscitator</i>												1		
Indian Stone-curlew (split fr Eurasian)	<i>Burhinus indicus</i>	1	1								1				
River Lapwing	<i>Vanellus duvaucelii</i>					1	1						1		
Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>					1	1	1	1						

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Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>					1										
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>				1											
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>				1	1	1	1	1	1						
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>									1						
River Tern	<i>Sterna aurantia</i>												1			
Black-bellied Tern	<i>Sterna acuticauda</i>												1			
Painted Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles indicus</i>		1													
Rock Dove (Common Pigeon)	<i>Columba livia</i>	1					1			1	1		1	1	1	
Oriental Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>							1		1						
Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	1	1		1		1				1			1		
Spotted Dove	<i>Spilopelia chinensis</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Laughing Dove	<i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>	1		1	1	1	1	1			1			1		
Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	<i>Treron phoenicopterus</i>		1			1		1	1	1	1		1	1	1	
Southern (Greater) Coucal	<i>Centropus sinensis parroti</i>	1			1	1	1	1			1					
Sirkeer Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus leschenaultii</i>											1				
Common Hawk-Cuckoo	<i>Hierococcyx varius</i>	1		1	1	1		1	1	1			1	1		
Indian Scops Owl	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>					1		1	1	1			1			
Brown Fish Owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>									1						
Mottled Wood Owl	<i>Strix ocellata</i>		1		1	1	1							1		
Jungle Owlet	<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1				1		
Spotted Owlet	<i>Athene brama</i>				1	1	1									
Indian Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus asiaticus</i>											1		1		
Savanna Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus affinis</i>											1	1	1		
Crested Treeswift	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>					1		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	
Asian Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus balasiensis</i>	1														
Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>								1							
Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>	1		1	1		1		1					1		
Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Stork-billed Kingfisher	<i>Pelargopsis capensis</i>					1										
White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>		1	1						1		1	1	1		

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Common name	Scientific name	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>				1		1			1			1		1	
Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Blue-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops philippinus</i>							1								
Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Indian Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyrceros birostris</i>	1				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Brown-headed Barbet	<i>Psilopogon zeylanicus</i>				1	1	1	1	1			1				
Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Psilopogon haemacephalus</i>	1			1	1			1						1	
Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>				1								1			
Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	<i>Yungipicus nanus</i>								1			1				
Yellow-crowned Woodpecker	<i>Leiopicus mahrattensis</i>					1										
Streak-throated Woodpecker	<i>Picus xanthopygaeus</i>									1						
Black-rumped Flameback (L.Goldenb.)	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>		1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1		
White-naped Woodpecker	<i>Chrysocolaptes festivus</i>							1		1						
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>						1				1			1		
Eurasian Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>													1		
Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Alexandrine Parakeet	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>		1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Common Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>			1		1			1							
Common Iora	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>				1										1	
Large Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina macei</i>						H	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Small Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i>							1	1	1					1	
Scarlet Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>							1	1	1						
Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>									1						
Bay-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>				1	1	1									
Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>		1		1	1		1			1	1	1	1	1	
Southern Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius meridionalis</i>								1							
Indian Golden Oriole (split)	<i>Oriolus kundoo</i>		1			1		1	1	1						
Black-naped Oriole	<i>Oriolus chinensis</i>				1	?										
Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>	1	1			1	1	1	1	1	1			1		
Black Drongo	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	

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Ashy Drongo	<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>				1	1		1								
White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caeruleus</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1	
Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
White-browed Fantail	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>	1	1	1	1	1		1					1	1	1	
Black-naped Monarch	<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>		1						1	1	1			1	1	
Rufous Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>				1	1	1				1		1	1	1	
Indian Jungle Crow	<i>Corvus culminatus</i>			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Grey-headed Canary-flycatcher	<i>Culicicapa ceylonensis</i>								1						1	
Cinereous Tit (split fr Great)	<i>Parus cinereus</i>								1	1					1	
Rufous-tailed Lark	<i>Ammomanes phoenicura</i>						1	1								
Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Lark	<i>Eremopterix grisea</i>	1														
Red-whiskered Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus jocosus</i>									1						
White-eared Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus leucotis</i>							?								
Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>															
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>			1	1		1		1		1		1	1		
Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>				1	1	1						1	1	1	
Dusky Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne concolor</i>	1			1											
Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>						1				1					
Sulphur-bellied Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus griseolus</i>		1												1	
Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>		1					1	1							
Blyth's Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus dumetorum</i>				?											
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>						1	1	1	1						
Grey-breasted Prinia	<i>Prinia hodgsonii</i>								1						1	
Ashy Prinia	<i>Prinia socialis</i>			1												
Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inornata</i>				1	1		1		1						
Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>	1		1	1			1			1	1				
Indian Scimitar Babbler	<i>Pomatorhinus horsfieldii</i>									1						
Tawny-bellied Babbler	<i>Dumetia hyperythra</i>			1												
Brown-cheeked Fulvetta	<i>Alcippe poioicephala</i>								1	1					1	
Puff-throated Babbler	<i>Pellorneum ruficeps</i>							1		1						

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Jungle Babbler	<i>Turdoides striatus</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>			1												
Yellow-eyed Babbler	<i>Chrysomma sinense</i>									1						
Oriental White-eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>			1				1	1						1	
Indian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta castanea</i>							1	1	1	1					
Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	<i>Sitta frontalis</i>							1	1		1					
Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Pied Myna (Asian Pied Starling)	<i>Gracupica contra</i>						1									
Chestnut-tailed Starling	<i>Sturnia malabarica</i>									1						
Brahminy Starling	<i>Temenuchus pagodarum</i>													1	1	
Rosy Starling	<i>Pastor roseus</i>														1	
Orange-headed Thrush	<i>Geokichla citrina</i>	1	1	1												
Indian Robin	<i>Copsychus fulicatus</i>					1		1					1	1	1	
Oriental Magpie-Robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
White-rumped Shama	<i>Copsychus malabaricus</i>							1	1	1						
Asian Brown Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>									1						
Tickell's Blue Flycatcher	<i>Cyornis tickelliae</i>		1	1	1			1								
Taiga Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicilla</i>		1	1			1	1	1	1						
Ultramarine Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula superciliaris</i>					1										
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>				1	1								1	1	
Blue-capped Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola cinclorhynchus</i>								1							
Siberian Stonechat	<i>Saxicola maurus</i>					1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1	
Pied Bush Chat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>					1				1	1					
Grey Bush Chat	<i>Saxicola ferreus</i>								1	1						
Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>								1						1	
Thick-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum agile</i>					1		1								
Pale-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum erythrorhynchus</i>			1												
Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>	1	1	1	1		1							1	1	
Purple Rumped Sunbird	<i>Leptocoma zeylonica</i>			1												
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>		1	1	1		1				1			1		
Yellow-throated Sp. (Chestnut-sh. Pet)	<i>Gymnoris xanthocollis</i>		1	1	1	1	1								1	
Red Avadavat	<i>Amandava amandava</i>				1									1		

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Indian Silverbill	<i>Euodice malabarica</i>													1		
Scaly-breasted. Munia (Nutmeg Mann.)	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>		1		1	1	1	1	1							
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>				1	1		1	1		1	1	1	1		
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>						1									
White-browed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla madaraspatensis</i>	1		1	1	1	1				1	1	1	1		
Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>		1			1	1	1	1						1	
Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>							1	1			1	1			
Olive-backed Pipit	<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>								1							

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Royal Bengal Tiger	<i>Panthera tigris tigris</i>	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1						
Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus</i>					1						1		1		
Jungle Cat	<i>Felis chaus kelaarita or kutas</i>	1														
Asian Palm Civet	<i>Paradoxurus hermaphroditus</i>													1		
Rhesus Macaque	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>				1	1	1	?			1	1	1	1	1	
S. Plains (Common) Grey Langur	<i>Semnopithecus dussumieri (spl fr entellus)</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Common Mongoose	<i>Herpestes edwardsi</i>				1	1	1									
Ruddy Mongoose	<i>Herpestes smithii</i>	1		1	1			1	1	1						
Golden Jackal	<i>Canis aureus</i>					1	1	1	1	1						
Dhole (Asiatic Wild Dog)	<i>Cuon alpinus dukhunensis</i>					1		1	1							
Sloth Bear	<i>Merursus ursinus</i>	1										1		1		
Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus giganteus</i>				1	1	1									
Indian Tree Shrew	<i>Anathana ellioti</i>	1	1					1								
Indian or Black-naped Hare	<i>Lepus nigricollis</i>											1	1	1		
Three-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennarum</i>	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Five-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennanti</i>														1	
Indian Giant Squirrel	<i>Ratufa indica</i>												1			

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Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1
Barasingha (Swamp Deer)	<i>Cervus duvauceli branderi</i>							1	1	1					
Chital (Spotted Deer)	<i>Cervus axis</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Indian Muntjac (Barking Deer)	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>		1					1	1	1		1			
Black Buck	<i>Antelope cervicapra</i>									1		1			1
Khincara (Indian Gazelle)	<i>Gazella bennetti</i>													1	
Nilgai (Blue Bull)	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>				1	1	1						1	1	
Indian Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>	1			1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	
Gaur	<i>Bos gauras</i>		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	
Mouse-tailed Bats	<i>Rhinopoma spp</i>														h

Reptiles and amphibians

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Common name	Scientific name	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Indian Flapshell Turtle	<i>Lissemys punctata</i>		1		1	1		1	1	1					
Marsh Mugger Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>		1	1								1	1	1	
Common Garden Lizard	<i>Calotes versicolor</i>	1		1										1	
House Gecko species	<i>Hemidactylus or Gehyra etc sp</i>		1	1			1							1	1
Southern Indian Rock Agama	<i>Psammophilus dorsalis</i>		1			1									
Checkered Keelback	<i>Xenochrophis piscator</i>			1	1	1									
Common Indian Tree Frog	<i>Polypedates maculatus</i>				1		1						1	1	