

# Northern India & the Himalayan Foothills

Naturetrek Tour Report

7 – 23 February 2020



Collared Falconet



Sarus Cranes



Indian Rock Python

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## Summary

This tour focused on the birdlife of Northern India, taking in multiple habitats from plains to the Himalayan foothills. We recorded 280 plus species during 15 days of travel, which included long hikes, beautiful outdoor lunches and breakfasts and views of rivers and magnificent mountains. We witnessed remote rural life, lush green and colourful agricultural fields and breathtaking jungles during our travels, stopping the vehicle frequently along the highway to go birding. During this journey we saw some amazing wildlife; to name a few, Greater Spotted Eagle with a Moorhen kill on the very first day, a great sighting of Indian Skimmers, Brown Dipper swimming in the Kosi river and Collared Falconets who joined us for cup of tea and mountain view, with Vultures all around us.

### Day 1

**Friday 7th February**

In-flight overnight from the UK.

### Day 2

**Saturday 8th February**

#### Arrival and Sultanpur Bird sanctuary

The British Airways flight arrived on time at 09.00am at Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi, and we began the tour with an early check-in to the Holiday Inn hotel with enough time for a wash and change and a hot lunch, before we drove about an hour and a half to Sultanpur Bird Sanctuary in the Haryana District.

The Sultanpur wetlands is one of the most beautiful birding places in a crowded city. We reached a beautiful marsh which had fantastic birding, and it was the best introduction to north Indian birding. We began our walk by watching Spot-billed Ducks and White-tailed Lapwings, then during the rest of our walk we witnessed incredible birdlife, the highlights being the eagle with the kill, flamingos and Red Avadavats along with many more species. It was a pleasant walk of about four kilometres around the wetlands. After a great time birding, we returned to the hotel for our evening meal and a good night's sleep.

### Day 3/4

**Sunday/Monday 9th and 10th February**

#### Delhi to Bharatpur/Full day in Bharatpur

It was a six hour drive to Bharatpur, and we started from the hotel after an early breakfast and with some stopovers for en-route birding. Our first stop was around a wetland to watch Black-necked Storks and then a pair of Sarus Cranes with a few more species. We reached Birders Inn in time for lunch, after which we headed to Bharatpur sanctuary for an afternoon birding. Bharatpur or Keoladeo National Park is man-made haven for birds and it offers the most eco-friendly way to be in nature - we had to hire Rickshaws (cycles with three wheels) to travel in the park. We had a magical afternoon birding, seeing Indian Thick-knee, Spotted Owlets, Grey Francolin and a few species of ducks and waders, and also saw other interesting wildlife including Indian Cobra, Golden Jackal and Spotted Deer.

Next day we started from the hotel after an early breakfast, having decided to spend a whole day in the sanctuary itself. We walked most of the tracks and trails on what was a beautiful day. We sighted a flock of Bar-headed

Geese, a Dusky Eagle-owl, Greater Spotted Eagle, Steppe Eagle, Imperial Eagle, Bluethroat, etc. The birding and the ambiance of the park were fantastic. Also we had the most memorable packed lunch watching birds. After spending 13 hours in the park, we returned the hotel with everyone happy to have seen most of the highlight species of the park.

## Day 5 Tuesday 11th February

### Dholpur (Chambal Wildlife sanctuary )

With an early breakfast and a packed lunch we started our journey towards Dholpur, It was a two hours drive, and en route we made stops to watch Black-shouldered Kites, Indian Rollers and Wire-tailed Swallows. Once we reached the Chambal river we had a boat ride to look for Indian Skimmers and within the first few minutes we had a magnificent sighting of them on one of the sandy islands. We continued on our boat ride, and saw a critically endangered species of crocodile – the Gharials, as well as Marsh Mugger crocodiles (regarded as “Vulnerable”), and Brown-ruffed Turtles along with birds like Blue Rock Thrush, Woolly-necked Stork, River Lapwings etc.

After an exciting boat ride our next stop was around a big water body near Bari town which was our lunch place; we had the most beautiful lunch watching two types of pelicans, Ruff, Osprey, Little and Temminck’s Stints. After lunch we continued our journey towards the hotel with brief stops where we watched Yellow-wattled Lapwings and a few other birds, plus Golden Jackals.

## Day 6

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February

### Band Bayana - in search of Indian Courser.

This morning again it was an early breakfast at the hotel, before setting out to find a few new species of birds for the list, our main target being the Indian Courser. The area we tried first was an agricultural field just outside Bharatpur town, without any specific name for the place. We travelled a few kilometres from town and within a few minutes of searching we found our target species, along with few other birds like Desert Wheatear, Tawny Pipits, Indian Roller and Crested Lark. After a fantastic morning with a small tea break we continue our journey to Band Bayana, where there are rocky hills just beside the town. We parked our vehicle and walked through the town along the main road looking for Indian Vultures nesting; we were lucky to see many Indian Vultures nesting, plus Kestrel and a few other birds. It was then back to hotel for lunch, after which we visited Bharatpur sanctuary again and walked a few trails. With a beautiful sunset, and a Rock Python sighting, we walked out of the park.

## Day 7

Thursday 13th February

### Agra and the Taj Mahal

After breakfast at the hotel we started our journey towards Agra, our first stop being at Fatehpur Sikri where we had a beautiful sighting of Brown Rock Chats at the fort and also saw some Barbets. We also sighted a few vultures and kites. Then we headed to the Taj Mahal where we spent some time visiting this magnificent monument, and also saw Rosy Pelicans and a few other birds on the Yamuna river. After our visit to the Taj our next stop was the Holiday Inn in Delhi for an overnight stay.

## Day 8

Friday 14th February

### Delhi to Corbett

It was a long drive to Corbett National Park – about eight hours – so we started after an early breakfast. We had a very quick stop to watch Black-eared Kites at a garbage dump just outside Delhi, where there were a few thousand birds in the sky all at once, and our next stop was to watch Blue Bull in an agricultural field. With limited stops we reached Corbett where our stay was at the Tiger Camp hotel and after a quick lunch at the camp we set out for a birding walk along the Kosi river bed. We had only walked for a few minutes on the river bed when we sighted our first Himalayan bird which was White-capped Redstart, then a Wallcreeper, followed by Crested Kingfisher, Pied Kingfisher, River Lapwings and Water Redstart. It was a great introduction to Himalayan birds.

## Day 9

**Saturday 15th February**

### Corbett Buffer Zone

After an early morning start in the most spectacular landscape, the drive through Sal forest, then a walk along the river bed were the highlights of this morning. Corbett jungle is the most beautiful picture-perfect habitat, which is bliss for the eyes. Our walk along the Kosi river was most beautiful of the whole trip, with the mist, the alarm calls of animals warning of predators and the music of the river creating a wonderful experience. We had great sightings of Rock Buntings, River Lapwings, Crested Kingfishers and Golden Jackals in this landscape, while in the woodland we also saw a few Red-breasted Parakeets, several woodpeckers, and Spangled Drongos.

Breakfast was back at the lodge, after which we had the whole day birding in a buffer zone of Corbett National Park. We sighted species like a Brown Dipper, Collared Falconets, Little Forktail, Brown Fish Owl and several flycatchers. We also had the most memorable lunch by the Kosi river and tea at a viewpoint up in the mountains. After a long day in the field, we returned to the beautiful Tiger camp for our evening meal and a night's rest.

## Day 10

**Sunday 16th February**

### Bijrani And Dhela zone

Usually, in Indian jungle safaris, big cats like Tigers and Leopards are the main highlights. We were a bit different as we were looking for mainly birds, but we found ourselves very close to a Tiger which was growling from the bush right next to the vehicle, but never decided to show itself. That was at the start of our early morning game drive at Corbett, in which we covered two zones with highlights like Indian Nuthatch, flycatchers, leaf birds etc. In the afternoon we had a great sighting of Asiatic Elephants and few more mammals like Spotted Deer, Jackal and Sambar Deer, plus birds including Oriental Pied Hornbills, Kalij Pheasants etc

## Day 11

**Monday 17th February**

### Bijrani and Dhela zone

Today we had two more game drives in the Dhela and Bijrani zones of Corbett National Park. We had a sighting of Great Hornbill which is the tiger of birdlife, along with species like Emerald Dove, Green Pigeons, Griffon Vultures and Cinereous Vulture along with wild Elephants. We also spent some time looking for a chance of a Tiger sighting at a few spots. Grey Mongoose, Barking Deer, Crested Serpent Eagle, Crested Hawk-eagle and a few more species were added to the list today. We also conducted an afternoon “in-between safaris” walk behind the lodge by the river to look for birds, and we spotted species like Crested Kingfisher, River Lapwing, Bronze Drongo and Oriental White-eye.

## Day 12

**Tuesday 18th February**

### **Corbett buffer zone and journey to Nainital**

This was our last morning at Corbett. We visited the Kosi river again looking for the Ibisbill, but luck was not in our favour, although we had a great sighting of Golden Mahseer – a very large fish - in huge numbers.

After breakfast at camp we set off on our journey to Nainital, our next stop for four nights, taking a packed lunch with us. Just outside Ramnagar we had the best sighting of Ruddy Shelducks in a huge flock and we also stopped at a museum which is dedicated to Jim Corbett, who played a key role in establishing this protected area. En-route we also had a beautiful sighting of Griffon Vultures and Bearded Vulture, and magnificent views of the Himalayan foothills. Our accommodation was at Abbots Ford at Nainital which is a lovely place to be, region with superb views of the Himalayan mountains.

## **Day 13**

**Wednesday 19th February**

### **Mangoli Valley and Nainital Lake**

Today we had a very exciting morning in the Himalayan foothills. We started our journey after an early breakfast at the lodge, and we drove down the hill, stopping at each spot where we found some bird activity. We took a few trails which led to villages where we looked for birds, which was very fruitful and we added lots of new species of Himalayan birds to our list. The highlights were Maroon Oriole, Himalayan Griffon, Black-throated Tit, Re-billed Leiothrix, Black-chinned Babblers and White-throated and Streaked Laughing-thrush.

We also visited the botanical garden for some birding, where we had a beautiful lunch with a lake view. After a few hours of birding we returned to the hotel and later in evening we visited Nainital lake and did some birding around the lake, finding species like the Himalayan Woodpecker, Rusty-cheeked Babblers, Black-throated Tit etc. After a long walk we came back to our beautiful stay accommodation for our evening meal.

## **Day 14**

**Thursday 20th February**

### **Sattal and Snow View**

With a packed lunch after a early breakfast, we started our journey on the mountain road towards Sattal, which is a haven for Himalayan birds. On the way we had a good sighting of Great Barbets, and in a mixed foraging flock we also sighted a few species of warblers. After reaching Sattal we walked a trail looking for birds and yet again we added a few new species of to our list, including Hodgson's Treecreeper, Ashy Bulbul, Himalayan Woodpecker and Rufous-gorgeted Flycatcher. Grey-headed Canary Flycatcher was the highlight for the morning. After Sattal we traveled back to Nainital and decided to visit to Snow View for a view of the Himalayan snow-capped mountains, and found a few birds like White-tailed Nuthatch. Unfortunately we were not lucky enough to enjoy the view of the mountains since it was not clear enough, so with a full day of birding behind us we went back to the lodge.

## **Day 15**

**Friday 21st February**

The plan today was to visit Pangot for birding but due to very bad weather, including heavy snow and rain the whole day had to be spent at the lodge. All the hill station roads were closed and travel was impossible.



## Day 16

Saturday 22nd February

### Nainital to Delhi. Stopover at Sattal

After the unexpected rain and snowfall during the previous day, it was a relatively clear this morning, although many roads were still closed. Since we couldn't drive around much anywhere in the hills we decided to go back to Sattal and spend an hour walking around there. On the way we had brief stops and short walks as well as birding by the road, and we found a few new species. Rufous Sibia, Asian Barred Owlet and Kalij Pheasant were the main highlights and we also sighted White-hooded Laughing-thrush and few woodpeckers along the trails. After this short birding trip, it was a non-stop drive back to Delhi, looking at all possible birds from the vehicle itself, since it was a long eight hour drive.

## Day 17

Sunday 23rd February

The group was in flight back to the UK.

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## Species Lists

## Birds

		8 - 22 February 2020															
	Common name	Scientific name	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
1	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										
2	Great White Pelican	<i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i>	✓		✓												
3	Dalmatian Pelican	<i>Pelecanus crispus</i>				✓	✓										
4	Indian Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							✓			✓
5	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓				✓				
6	Little Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax niger</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
7	Oriental Darter	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>			✓	✓	✓		✓								
8	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										
9	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓									
10	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						✓	✓			
11	Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>				✓											
12	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓				
13	Indian Pond-heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓				✓					
14	Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓					✓
15	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>				✓											
16	Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>				✓											
17	Black Bittern	<i>Dupetor Flavicollis</i>			✓		✓										
18	Painted Stork	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓									
19	Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>				✓							✓				
20	Black-necked Stork	<i>Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus</i>		✓	✓		✓										
21	Red-naped Ibis	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>		✓			✓										
22	Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	✓	✓			✓										
23	Black-headed Ibis	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										
24	Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										
25	Lesser Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus minor</i>			✓												

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26	Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>	✓				✓										
27	Lesser Whistling-duck	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										
28	Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	✓	✓		✓											
29	Bar-headed Goose	<i>Anser indicus</i>		✓		✓											
30	Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>		✓	✓	✓							✓				
31	Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>		✓	✓												
32	Cotton Pygmy-goose	<i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓										
33	Garganey	<i>Spatula querquedula</i>			✓												
34	Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										
35	Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Mareca penelope</i>		✓	✓												
36	Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>		✓	✓												
37	Common Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓										
38	Spot-billed Duck	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										
39	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓										
40	Red-crested Pochard	<i>Netta rufina</i>			✓												
41	Ferruginous Duck	<i>Aythya nyroca</i>			✓	✓											
42	Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>				✓											
43	Oriental Honey-buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>				✓				✓							
44	Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>				✓	✓	✓			✓		✓				
45	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		✓		
46	Black-eared Kite	<i>Milvus lineatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		
47	Indian Vulture	<i>Gyps indicus</i>					✓										
48	Himalayan Griffon	<i>Gyps himalayensis</i>									✓	✓	✓				
49	Eurasian Griffon	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>										✓	✓				
50	Cinereous Vulture	<i>Aegypius monachus</i>										✓	✓	✓			
51	Crested Serpent-eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>	✓		✓					✓	✓	✓					
52	Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>				✓				✓					✓		
53	Indian Spotted Eagle	<i>Aquila hastata</i>				✓											
54	Greater Spotted Eagle	<i>Aquila clanga</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓										
55	Steppe Eagle	<i>Aquila nipalensis</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓										

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56	Imperial Eagle	<i>Aquila heliaca</i>	✓															
57	Booted Eagle	<i>Aquila pennatus</i>	✓	✓	✓													
58	Changeable Hawk-eagle	<i>Spizaetus cirrhatus</i>										✓						
59	Collared Falconet	<i>Microhierax caerulescens</i>								✓							✓	
60	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>				✓	✓	✓										
61	Grey Francolin	<i>Francolinus pondicerianus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓							
62	Red Junglefowl	<i>Gallus gallus</i>									✓	✓						
63	Kalij Pheasant	<i>Lophura leucomelanos</i>								✓	✓			✓			✓	
64	Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
65	Barred Buttonquail	<i>Turnix suscitator</i>				✓												
66	Sarus Crane	<i>Grus antigone</i>		✓	✓													
67	White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓									
68	Baillon's Crake	<i>Porzana pusilla</i>			✓													
69	Indian Grey-headed Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										
70	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓									
71	Common Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓										
72	Pheasant-tailed Jacana	<i>Hydrophasianus chirurgus</i>			✓													
73	Bronze-winged Jacana	<i>Metopidius indicus</i>			✓	✓	✓											
74	Greater Painted-snipe	<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>	✓															
75	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓		✓			
76	Indian Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus Indicus</i>			✓	✓	✓											
77	Great Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus recurvirostris</i>				✓												
78	Indian Courser	<i>Cursorius coromandelicus</i>					✓											
79	River Lapwing	<i>Vanellus duvaucelii</i>				✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓					
80	Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>				✓		✓										
81	Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	
82	White-tailed Lapwing	<i>Vanellus leucurus</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓											
83	Pin-tailed Snipe	<i>Gallinago stenura</i>	✓															
84	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>				✓												
85	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓											

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86	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓										
87	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓		✓	✓				
88	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓											
89	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>					✓						✓				
90	Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>				✓											
91	Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>				✓											
92	Ruff	<i>Calidris pugnax</i>				✓											
93	Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>				✓											
94	River Tern	<i>Sterna aurantia</i>															✓
95	Indian Skimmer	<i>Rynchops albicollis</i>				✓											
96	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
97	Oriental Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>												✓	✓		✓
98	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓									
99	Red Collared-dove	<i>Streptopelia tranquebarica</i>	✓														
100	Spotted Dove	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓			✓	✓
101	Laughing Dove	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>			✓			✓									
102	Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>										✓					
103	Yellow-footed Pigeon	<i>Treron phoenicoptera</i>		✓	✓												
104	Slaty-headed parakeet	<i>Psittacula himalayana</i>										✓		✓	✓	✓	
105	Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓					
106	Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>				✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
107	Red-breasted Parakeet	<i>Psittacula alexandri</i>								✓	✓						
108	Asian Koel	<i>Eudynamis scolopacea</i>				✓											
109	Greater Coucal	<i>Centropus sinensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
110	Dusky Eagle Owl	<i>Bubo coromandus</i>		✓	✓												
111	Brown Fish-owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>								✓							
112	Asian Barred Owlet	<i>Glaucidium cuculoides</i>													✓		✓
113	Spotted Owlet	<i>Athene brama</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓				
114	Crested Treeswift	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>										✓					
115	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>			✓					✓	✓		✓			✓	✓

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116	White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
117	Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓			✓				
118	Crested Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle lugubris</i>							✓	✓		✓	✓				
119	Blue-bearded Bee-eater	<i>Nyctornis athertoni</i>									✓						
120	Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>			✓												
121	Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>				✓	✓	✓				✓					
122	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	✓							✓		✓					
123	Indian Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyroceros birostris</i>			✓											✓	✓
124	Oriental Pied-hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros albirostris</i>										✓					
125	Great Hornbill	<i>Buceros bicornis</i>									✓						
126	Great Barbet	<i>Megalaima virens</i>									✓						✓
127	Brown-headed Barbet	<i>Megalaima zeylanica</i>	✓				✓					✓					
128	Lineated Barbet	<i>Megalaima lineata</i>								✓	✓	✓	✓				
129	Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Megalaima haemacephala</i>	✓														
130	Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>	✓														
131	Brown-capped Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos moluccensis</i>											✓				
132	Grey-capped Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos canicapillus</i>								✓		✓					
133	Brown-fronted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos auriceps</i>												✓			
134	Fulvous-breasted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos macei</i>										✓					
135	Yellow-crowned Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos mahrattensis</i>			✓												
136	Rufous-bellied Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos hyperythrus</i>												✓			
137	Himalayan Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos himalayensis</i>												✓			
138	Lesser Yellownape	<i>Picus chlorolophus</i>													✓		
139	Streak-throated Woodpecker	<i>Picus xanthopygaeus</i>									✓	✓					
140	Grey-headed Woodpecker	<i>Picus canus</i>												✓			
141	Himalayan Goldenback	<i>Dinopium shorii</i>								✓		✓	✓				
142	Black-rumped Flameback	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>			✓							✓	✓				
143	Greater Flameback	<i>Chrysocolaptes lucidus</i>									✓	✓	✓		✓		
144	Scaly-bellied Woodpecker	<i>Picus squamatus</i>										✓					
145	Ashy-crowned Sparrow-lark	<i>Eremopterix grisea</i>				✓											

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146	Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>			✓	✓												
147	Plain Martin	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>										✓						
148	Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>									✓	✓	✓					
149	Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>				✓	✓											
150	Dusky Crag Martin	<i>Hirundo concolor</i>		✓			✓	✓									✓	
151	Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>				✓												
152	Streak-throated Swallow	<i>Hirundo fluvicola</i>								✓								
153	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>						✓		✓	✓	✓						
154	White Wagtail [Leucopsis]	<i>Motacilla alba leucopsis</i>	✓															
155	White Wagtail [Acularis]	<i>Motacilla alba acularis</i>	✓			✓												
156	White-browed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla madaraspatensis</i>					✓			✓	✓	✓	✓					
157	Citrine Wagtail	[a] <i>Motacilla citreola</i>	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓								
158	Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>	✓		✓					✓		✓						
159	Yellow Wagtail [Beema]	[a] <i>Motacilla flava beema</i>				✓												
160	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	✓				✓							✓	✓			
161	Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>		✓	✓	✓						✓	✓					
162	Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>			✓	✓												
163	Long-billed Pipit	<i>Anthus similis</i>	✓			✓												
164	Long-tailed Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus ethologus</i>								✓	✓							
165	Scarlet Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>								✓		✓		✓				
166	Black-crested Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus melanicterus</i>								✓		✓						
167	Red-whiskered Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus jocosus</i>								✓		✓		✓				
168	White-eared Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus leucogenys</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓											
169	Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	
170	Ashy Bulbul	<i>Hemixos flava</i>													✓			
171	Black Bulbul	<i>Hypsipetes leucocephalus</i>								✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
172	Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>									✓							
173	Common Iora	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>									✓	✓						
174	Brown Dipper	<i>Cinclus pallasii</i>								✓								
175	Chestnut-bellied Rock-thrush	<i>Monticola rufiventris</i>					✓							✓				

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176	Blue Rock-thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>				✓												
177	Blue Whistling-thrush	<i>Myophonus caeruleus</i>								✓				✓	✓		✓	
178	Scaly Thrush	<i>Zoothera dauma</i>															✓	
179	Tickell's Thrush	<i>Turdus unicolor</i>															✓	
180	White-collared Blackbird	<i>Turdus albocinctus</i>												✓				
181	Grey-winged Blackbird	<i>Turdus boulboul</i>										✓			✓			
182	Ashy Prinia	<i>Prinia socialis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓						
183	Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inornata</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓											
184	Paddyfield Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus agricola</i>									✓	✓						
185	Blyth's Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus dumetorum</i>					✓											
186	Clamorous Reed-warbler	<i>Acrocephalus stentoreus</i>			✓													
187	Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>								✓								
188	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		✓	✓	✓				✓								
189	Tickell's Leaf-warbler	<i>Phylloscopus affinis</i>										✓		✓				
190	Hume's Leaf Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus humei</i>					✓											
191	Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>			✓	✓					✓	✓			✓			
192	Grey-hooded Warbler	<i>Seicercus xanthoschistus</i>												✓				
193	Striated Grassbird	<i>Megalurus palustris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓											
194	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>										✓						
195	Black-faced Warbler	<i>Abroscopus schisticeps</i>												✓				
196	Asian Brown Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>													✓			
197	Rusty-tailed Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa ruficauda</i>								✓								
198	Rufous-gorgeted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula strophciata</i>								✓					✓			
199	Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>	✓				✓											
200	Verditer Flycatcher	<i>Eumyias thalassina</i>										✓						
201	Small Niltava	<i>Niltava macgrigoriae</i>								✓								
202	Grey-headed Canary-flycatcher	<i>Culicicapa ceylonensis</i>										✓						
203	Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>								✓								
204	Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>	✓		✓		✓											
205	Oriental Magpie-robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	



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206	White-rumped Shama	<i>Copsychus malabaricus</i>											✓					
207	Indian Robin	<i>Saxicoloides fulicata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓						
208	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>	✓		✓						✓							
209	White-capped Redstart	<i>Chaimarrornis leucocephalus</i>								✓			✓	✓	✓			
210	Plumbeous Water Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus fuliginosus</i>								✓		✓	✓	✓				
211	Little Forktail	<i>Enicurus scouleri</i>								✓								
212	Common Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>	✓							✓	✓	✓						
213	White-tailed Stonechat	<i>Saxicola leucura</i>									✓							
214	Pied Bushchat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>	✓									✓						
215	Grey Bushchat	<i>Saxicola ferrea</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓				
216	Yellow-bellied Fantail	<i>Rhipidura hypoxantha</i>													✓			
217	White-throated Fantail	<i>Rhipidura albicollis</i>										✓		✓	✓			
218	White-browed Fantail	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>										✓						
219	White-throated Laughingthrush	<i>Garrulax albogularis</i>												✓			✓	
220	Striated Laughingthrush	<i>Garrulax striatus</i>												✓	✓			
221	Streaked Laughingthrush	<i>Garrulax lineatus</i>												✓	✓	✓		
222	Chestnut-crowned	<i>Garrulax erythrocephalus</i>												✓		✓		
223	Puff-throated Babbler	<i>Pellorneum ruficeps</i>										✓						
224	Rusty-cheeked Scimitar-babbler	<i>Pomatorhinus erythrogenys</i>												✓				
225	Black-chinned Babbler	<i>Stachyris pyrrhops</i>												✓				
226	Yellow-eyed Babbler	<i>Chrysomma sinense</i>			✓	✓		✓										
227	Large Grey Babbler	<i>Turdoides malcolmi</i>	✓			✓	✓											
228	Jungle Babbler	<i>Turdoides striatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		
229	Red-billed Leiothrix	<i>Leiothrix lutea</i>												✓				
230	Rufous Sibia	<i>Heterophasia capistrata</i>														✓		
231	Black-throated Tit	<i>Aegithalos concinnus</i>												✓	✓	✓		
232	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>								✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
233	Green-backed Tit	<i>Parus monticolus</i>												✓	✓	✓		
234	Black-lored Tit	<i>Parus xanthogenys</i>												✓	✓	✓		
235	Indian Nuthatch	<i>Citta castanea</i>										✓	✓					

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236	Chestnut-bellied Nuthatch	<i>Sitta cinnamoventris</i>													✓			
237	White-tailed Nuthatch	<i>Sitta himalayensis</i>												✓	✓	✓		
238	Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	<i>Sitta frontalis</i>									✓	✓						
239	Wallcreeper	<i>Tichodroma muraria</i>								✓								
240	Bar-tailed Treecreeper	<i>Certhia himalayana</i>											✓	✓				
241	Hodgson's Treecreeper	<i>Certhia hodgsoni</i>														✓		
242	Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>		✓	✓													
243	Crimson Sunbird	<i>Aethopyga siparaja</i>								✓			✓					
244	Oriental White-eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>								✓		✓		✓	✓	✓		
245	Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>									✓							
246	Maroon Oriole	<i>Oriolus traillii</i>												✓				
247	Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>									✓							
248	Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>				✓	✓	✓		✓	✓							
249	Bay-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>			✓	✓	✓											
250	Common Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>										✓			✓			
251	Black Drongo	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓					
252	Ashy Drongo	<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>									✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		
253	White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>										✓						
254	Bronzed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus aeneus</i>										✓						
255	Lesser Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus remifer</i>										✓						
256	Spangled Drongo	<i>Dicrurus hottentottus</i>								✓	✓			✓				
257	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>												✓				
258	Black-headed Jay	<i>Garrulus lanceolatus</i>												✓				
259	Rufous Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓				
260	Grey Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta formosae</i>								✓								
261	Red-billed Blue Magpie	<i>Urocissa erythrorhyncha</i>												✓				
262	House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						✓		
263	Indian Jungle Crow	<i>Corvus culminatus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
264	Large-billed Crow	<i>Corvus macrorhynchos</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
265	Bank Myna	<i>Acridotheres ginginianus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓									

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266	Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
267	Brahminy Starling	<i>Temenuchus pagodarum</i>			✓		✓						✓				
268	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>					✓			✓	✓			✓		✓	
269	Chestnut-shouldered Petronia	<i>Petronia xanthocollis</i>			✓	✓											
270	Indian Silverbill	<i>Euodice malabarica</i>				✓											
271	Red Avadavat	<i>Amandava amandava</i>	✓														
272	Rock Bunting	<i>Emberiza cia</i>								✓							

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1	Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus giganteus</i>			✓					✓							
2	Rhesus Macaque	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
3	Northern Plains Grey Langur	<i>Semnopithecus entellus</i>		✓		✓											
4	Tarai Grey Langur	<i>Semnopithecus hector</i>								✓	✓	✓	✓				
5	Himayan Langur	<i>Semnopithecus schistaceus</i>														✓	
6	Indian Grey Mongoose	<i>Herpestes edwardsi</i>											✓				
7	Asian Elephant	<i>Elephas maximus</i>									✓	✓					
8	Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>			✓	✓						✓					
9	Barking Deer	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>								✓	✓	✓	✓				
10	Chital (Spotted Deer)	<i>Cervus axis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓				
11	Hog Deer	<i>Cervus porcinus</i>										✓					
12	Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>			✓	✓					✓						
13	Nilgai	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>		✓	✓				✓	✓							
14	Five-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennanti</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓				
15	Common Pipistrelle Bat	<i>Pipistrellus pipistrellus</i>								✓							