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Naturetrek Tour Report

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View of Darjeeling





Kaziranga National Park

Peacock in flight

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Day 1 Friday 14th November

Flight to Kathmandu.

Day 2

Saturday 15th November

The plane landed on time in Kathmandu at around 3:30pm. The airport was quite busy but all the five members of the group came out by 4:30pm. The temp was pleasant of about 23°C. The group members were welcomed with a marigold garland, and a private vehicle transferred them to the hotel Yak & Yeti situated in the centre of the city, where we met Mr. and Mrs. White from Australia. After discussing about the next day and the tour ahead, the evening was free for relaxation.

Day 3

Sunday 16th November

We started after breakfast at 7:30am. It was another fine day, but the views of the Himalayan range were not there. At the first stop at Khestay Khola we saw Brown Dipper, Plumbeous Water Redstart and Little Forktail. We stopped at the Hamlet restaurant for a short break, and at Belkhu we spent a good time scanning for Ibisbill but despite some good sightings of other species, alas, we could not find them. (We had been given information from a local person that three Ibisbill had arrived a week before.) After that we drove on to Mugling, where we stopped at a small and neat local restaurant to have our packed lunch.

After lunch, we drove straight to the Tigerland Jungle Lodge in the Chitwan Tiger Reserve and, after checking in, we decided to go for a short walk at 4:30pm. We walked along the ox-bow lake to the nearby forest. On the walk we saw Jungle Owlet, Fulvous-breasted Woodpecker, Black-hooded Oriole and Grey-breasted Prinia, to name just a few. After a good shower, we met for the checklist at 6:30pm. We then enjoyed a dance performed by the Tharu tribe, which was followed by dinner.

Day 4

Monday 17th November

We decided to check the forested area and the grassland below the lodge in the morning so, due to the early morning mist, we had a little lie-in. We had breakfast at 6:30am and waited for the mist to burn off. The sun came out at about 8:30am. While there were many birds around, they tended to be rather elusive, but we got a brief but good view of a Chestnut-capped Babbler.

At about 10 am we reached a forest clearing where a jeep was waiting for us to take us to the boat, for a trip down the Rapti River. We drove to the river bank where our boat along with the boatman was waiting. The boat ride was very peaceful, and floating down the river we soon saw three Gharial crocodiles and five Marsh Mugger crocodiles. Further downstream we saw Ruddy Shelduck, River Lapwing, Citrine Wagtail, Pied and White-throated Kingfishers, Osprey and Peafowl just to name a few. After a peaceful 45 minute ride we came to the end of the trip where we had a jeep to take us back to the lodge.

After lunch we went on an elephant ride safari for about two hours. We encountered Spotted and Hog Deer, and a variety of small birds which were quite difficult to see through binoculars, but the highlight was seeing four adult and two baby Indian One-horned Rhinoceros.

Day 5

Tuesday 18th November

We had a wake-up knock on the door at 5:45am followed by breakfast at 6:15am. We left the lodge at 7:15am. It was a slightly misty morning, but the morning air was fresh and the temperature at 7am was about 11°C. We were well dressed for the morning and the drive. We set off with a packed lunch, for a full day's drive in the jungle. The visibility was not good to start off with but by around 8:30am it became better. We stopped at Kamal Tal Bridge where the bird activity was good and the mist had lifted to the tops of the trees. We had good views of a Grey-headed Fish Eagle and a Common Kingfisher. Other species included Alexandrine Parakeet and Streaked-throated Woodpecker.

We continued until we reached the Rue River but, since we could not cross the river, we decided to have our packed lunch on the river bank. We drove back via Lami Tal where we saw some Marsh Mugger Crocodiles, a Stork-billed Kingfisher, Oriental Darters, Wild Boar, and a male Rhino by the side of the road only 20 feet away! We then drove back to the lodge at 5:15 pm for a nice cup of tea/coffee and cookies.

Day 6

Wednesday 19th November

After an early breakfast, we started from Chitwan at 7:15 am with packed lunch, heading for the Kosho Tappu Wildlife Reserve. On the way we stopped at Hetauda to find some postage stamps for postcards for Gordon. Then we stopped for a break where, by a stream, we had excellent views of a Black-backed Forktail, Bluewhistling Thrush and White-capped Water Redstart.

Our third stop was for a picnic lunch in a forested stretch on the east-west highway. On getting to the Koshi Barrage we stopped on the barrage and viewed about three Ganges River Dolphins jumping for air. We reached Koshi Camp at 5pm with a cup of tea/coffee and cookies to welcome us. We decided to meet for the checklist call at 6:30, which was followed by dinner.

Day 7

Thursday 20th November

The day started off with an early wake-up call followed by breakfast. It was a clear, mist free day with the morning temperature about 18°C. We took the vehicle towards the south of the reserve. Near the park headquarters at Kusaha we found six Swamp Francolins. As the sun became warm by 9 am, some raptors were active and we saw about 25 Lesser Kestrels, a female Pied Harrier, an Oriental Honey Buzzard, a Short-toed

Snake Eagle, Osprey, and three White-rumped Vultures on the nest. We also found a group of about 32 Wild Water Buffalos across the Koshi River on a sandy bank. The sun got hotter and we came back to the camp for lunch.

After lunch we took the vehicle to the northern side and walked in the forest where we found two Brown Fish Owls, two Jungle Owlets, two Spotted Owlets and many other birds. We got back to the camp for a cup of tea followed by a good hot shower, the checklist and dinner.

Day 8

Friday 21st November

After our early morning breakfast, we drove north for about an hour to Jabdi. We drove towards the sandbank of the Koshi River where we saw birds such as Sand Lark and Ashy-crowned Sparrow Lark. Boating on an inflated rubber raft started at 8:30am, and we crossed to the opposite bank where we landed and walked to search for the Indian Courser. We were pleased to see seven birds. After enjoying good views of the Coursers, we returned to the raft and floated downstream, where we saw Kentish Plover, Egrets and a brief view of a Striated Heron. At the end point, our jeeps were waiting for us to take us back to camp for lunch. The midday temperature was about 27°C.

After lunch we went for an afternoon drive to the southern end of the reserve. Some of us saw a female Nilgai, and an Indian Hare as it disappeared into the dense vegetation, and all of us saw Asiatic Golden Jackals.

Day 9

Saturday 22nd November

Saying goodbye to Koshi we started after breakfast at 7:45 and reached Kakarvitta, on the Indian - Nepal Border, at 10:30am. After exchanging the Nepalese and Sterling Pounds to Indian Rupees, we proceeded to the immigrations. Having completed these formalities, we journeyed on, and reached the Rohini Tea estate for lunch by 1:30 pm.

After our lunch, we continued north, with a short break in Kerseong. As we climbed, the weather became colder, and we reached Hotel Elgin in Darjeeling at 4:30pm. After the warmth of the Koshi, that evening we all felt the chill in the air. The rest of the evening was free for relaxation, with the log call at 6:30pm followed by dinner.

Day 10

Sunday 23rd November

It was an early morning start after breakfast at 6:30am. We drove up to the top of Tiger Hill. The weather became better as we reached the top, and the view of Kanchenjunga was excellent. When we reached the top it was nearly empty, and we had the top to ourselves except for an Indian couple. We had got news that the sunrise over the Kanchenjunga would not be visible that morning, but it turned out to be fine for us. After admiring and taking pictures of the third highest mountain in the world, we walked downhill with the vehicles following behind us. We had views of groups of White-browed Fulvetta, Chestnut-crowned Laughing Thrush foraging in the undergrowth, brief views of Rufous-breasted Accentor, and good views of Red-billed Leothrix, Yellow-browed Tit and Whiskered Yuhinas, to name a few. We walked down about 4-5km, and ended the morning birding at 11:45am, heading back to the hotel for lunch.

After lunch, at 2:30pm, we visited the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute (HMI) and the Darjeeling Zoo, just for the Red Pandas.

Day 11

Monday 24th November

Today we left the hotel at 5:45 am, and walked 10 minutes to a spot in the Mall (a.k.a. Observatory Hill) to view the sunrise. It was a very fine sunrise with the Kunchenjunga Mountain, and after that we walked further to the Nightingale Park. On this walk we saw Red-billed Leothrix again, Black-throated Tits and Green-tailed Sunbird to name a few.

We returned back to the hotel for breakfast at 8am. Then there was a ride on the world heritage Toy Train at 10:40am. The places visited were the Museum and the Old Monastery at Goom.

After lunch at the hotel the afternoon was free for tea-tasting and buying, and a walk around the Mall and the town.

Day 12

Tuesday 25th November

The day started off nice and clear, with blue sky. We set off from the hotel at 10:30am after breakfast. We stopped at a spot with excellent views of the Kanchenjunga and Darjeeling. We then made a stop at 11:30am in Kurseong, and proceeded towards the airport at Bagdogra, stopping on the way to see a tea plantation. We reached the airport at 1:30 pm. We checked in and after we got the boarding cards we went to have lunch in the airport restaurant. The flight took off at exactly 4:20 pm and after a 30 minute flight touched down on the runway at Guwahati, in Assam, at 4:50pm.

We had 3 jeeps to drive us to Kaziranga Tiger Reserve, which took us about 4 hours and 15 minutes. We collected our packed dinner from Guwahati, which we ate in the moving vehicle. When we reached the Wild Grass Lodge it was 9:30 pm, so we headed straight to our rooms and retired for the night!

Day 13

Wednesday 26th November

An early morning call at 5:30am was followed by tea/coffee and biscuits in the restaurant. We drove to the Park gate for a jeep safari. The temperature in the morning was about 10°C, but it warmed up quickly after the sun showed. We got back to the lodge for lunch.

The afternoon jeep safari was in the western area of the Park. It had been a wonderful day in the Park, with lots of birds and mammals, including 70 Indian Rhino, Smooth-coated Otter and Fishing Cat.

Day 14

Thursday 27th November

Today we had an early morning, one hour elephant safari, at 6am, in the eastern side of the National Park. We left the Lodge at 5:45 am after a cup of tea/coffee and cookies, and taking a packed breakfast. We enjoyed close views of mammals like Rhino, Wild Water Buffalo and Deer from the elephant ride. We continued the safari by jeep on the eastern side till 11:45am.

We then went back to the lodge for lunch and, in the afternoon, we had a drive through the central part of the National Park.

Day 15

Friday 28th November

We left this morning at 6 am, after a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits, and we drove west. On the highway we found a small group of Capped Langurs and Assam Macaques. Driving about 30km from the lodge, we stopped near the Burrapahar Tea Estate and scanned the forest for the Gibbons. Unfortunately on this occasion, although we spent about 3 hours in the likely areas, they were not there. However, we found a pair of Giant Hornbills, on a tree in the tea garden. We moved to the Burrapahar view point, where we were able to watchand photograph a Capped Langur, before returning to the lodge.

After lunch, for our last drive, we went to the central area of the park again, where we came across fresh Tiger tracks although we did not see the animal. Eventually, we left the wildlife to return to the lodge for a cup of tea.

Day 16-17

Saturday 29th - Sunday 30th November

After breakfast at 7:30 am, we left for the airport at 8:30 am, allowing enough time for possible traffic jams as the Indian Prime Minister was coming to Guwahati. We stopped en route for a break, and had our packed lunch while on the move. We reached the airport in good time. A 2½ hr flight brought us to Delhi, where we transferred to Hotel Holiday Inn, about 15 minutes away. Here we were able to relax and have dinner. The group bid goodbye to our tour leader Suchit, Mr and Mrs White, who were flying the following day, and returned to the airport for the overnight flight to London.

We all left feeling we really had experienced the best of India and Nepal.

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Species List

Birds (\checkmark = recorded but not counted; h = heard only; m = male; f = female; j = juvenile)

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	Common name	Scientific name	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
1	Swamp Francolin	Francolinus gularis						6	1						4	h	
2	Red Junglefowl	Gallus gallus			1	5								4	6	8	
3	Indian Peafowl	Pavo cristatus		1	5	5											
4	Lesser Whistling Duck	Dendrocygna javanica				2								150			
5	Greylag Goose	Anser anser													50	20	
6	Bar-headed Goose	Anser indicus												50	700	40	
7	Ruddy Shelduck	Tadorna ferruginea			55	8		30	25					15	8	10	
8	Common Shelduck	Tadorna tadorna													1		
9	Cotton Pygmy-goose	Nettapus coromandelianus							1								
10	Gadwall	Anas strepera						2	2								
11	Eurasian Wigeon	Anas penelope												1	12		
12	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos												2	20		
13	Spot-billed Duck (Indian)	Anas poecilorhyncha							2					30	18	12	
14	Northern Shoveler	Anas clypeata													2		
15	Northern Pintail	Anas acuta													30		
16	Common Teal	Anas crecca							6					20	16		
17	Red-crested Pochard	Rhodonessa rufina							3					10			
18	Eurasian Wryneck	Jynx torquilla			1			1									
19	Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	Dendrocopos nanus							2								
20	Fulvous-breasted Woodpecker	Dendrocopos macei		2	2			3							1		
21	Lesser Yellownape	Picus chlorolophus				1											
22	Streak-throated Woodpecker	Picus xanthopygaeus				2		1									
23	Grey-headed Woodpecker	Picus canus				2											
24	Himalayan Flameback	Dinopium shorii			2	2											
25	Black-rumped Flameback	Dinopium benghalense						2	2								
26	Greater Flameback	Chrysocolaptes lucidus														1	
27	Great Barbet	Megalaima virens										2					
28	Lineated Barbet	Megalaima lineata												1	3	2	
29	Golden-throated Barbet	Megalaima franklinii														2	

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30	Blue-throated Barbet	Megalaima asiatica						3	5								
31	Coppersmith Barbet	Megalaima haemacephala						1							1		
32	Oriental Pied-Hornbill	Anthracoceros albirostris													9	h	
33	Great Hornbill	Buceros bicornis													2	2	
34	Common Hoopoe	Upupa epops			1			1	2						1	1	
35	Indian Roller	Coracias benghalensis		3			6	1	1						1	2	
	Dark-billed Roller	Coracias benghalensis affinis												5	7	10	
36	Common Kingfisher	Alcedo atthis		1	1	2	1	1							h	3	
37	Stork-billed Kingfisher	Pelargopsis capensis				1								1	1	2	
38	White-throated Kingfisher	Halcyon smyrnensis		1	3	5	3	4	5					2	5	2	
39	Pied Kingfisher	Ceryle rudis			2	1		1	4					2	2	4	
40	Blue-bearded Bee-eater	Nyctyornis athertoni		2	h			2						1	h		
41	Green Bee-eater	Merops orientalis		4		2		6	10						6	3	
42	Asian Koel	Eudynamys scolopacea						2									
43	Greater Coucal	Centropus sinensis		2	1			7	6					1		1	
44	Lesser Coucal	Centropus bengalensis						1	1								
45	Alexandrine Parakeet	Psittacula eupatria		3										20	20	9	
46	Rose-ringed Parakeet	Psittacula krameri		20	40	10		✓	20						40	3	
47	Plum-headed Parakeet	Psittacula cyanocephala			10	100		50	40								
48	Blossom-headed Parakeet	Psittacula roseata												30	15	20	
49	Asian Palm-Swift	Cypsiurus balasiensis												4	12	9	
50	House Swift	Apus affinis		6													
51	Brown Fish Owl	Ketupa zeylonensis						2							1		
52	Asian Barred Owlet	Glaucidium cuculoides												1		1	
53	Jungle Owlet	Glaucidium radiatum			1			2	3								
54	Spotted Owlet	Athene brama					h	2	2								
55	Short-eared Owl	Asio flammeus							1								
56	Rock Pigeon	Columba livia		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
57	Oriental Turtle Dove	Streptopelia orientalis						3			1	3				16	
58	Spotted Dove	Streptopelia chinensis		2	10	15	3	20	✓					✓	30	20	
59	Red Collared Dove	Streptopelia tranquebarica						3	10						100		
60	Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto					2	10	40						10		

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61	Emerald Dove	Chalcophaps indica						1									
62	Orange-breasted Green Pigeon	Treron bicincta						1									
63	Pompadour Green Pigeon	Treron pompadora				40											
64	Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	Treron phoenicoptera							30					50	30	5	
65	Brown Crake	Amaurornis akool		h	2												
66	White-breasted Waterhen	Amaurornis phoenicurus			1	1										2	
67	Purple Swamphen	Porphyrio porphyrio						8									
68	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus		1		5		20	20						3		
69	Common Snipe	Gallinago gallinago												3		1	
70	Common Redshank	Tringa totanus			1									1			
71	Marsh Sandpiper	Tringa stagnatilis													1		
72	Common Greenshank	Tringa nebularia			4									3	6	2	
73	Green Sandpiper	Tringa ochropus						1	2					2	1	1	
74	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos			2				4							1	
75	Little Stint	Calidris minuta							4								
76	Temminck's Stint	Calidris temminckii							2							1	
77	Bronze-winged Jacana	Metopidius indicus		1	2	7		5	2					2	3	2	
78	Little Ringed Plover	Charadrius dubius							6							1	
79	Kentish Plover	Charadrius alexandrinus							15							1	
80	Northern Lapwing	Vanellus vanellus												7	5	5	
81	River Lapwing	Vanellus duvaucelii			3										1	1	
82	Grey-headed Lapwing	Vanellus cinereus													14		
83	Red-wattled Lapwing	Vanellus indicus		2	2			2	6					5	8	4	
84	Indian Courser	Cursorius coromandelicus							7								
85	Pallas's Gull	Larus ichthyaetus							1								
86	Black-headed Gull	Larus ridibundus													2		
87	River Tern	Sterna aurantia												6	7		
88	Osprey	Pandion haliaetus			1	1		3	3					1	2		
89	Crested (Oriental) Honey Buzzard	Pernis ptilorhyncus							1								
90	Black-shouldered Kite	Elanus caeruleus					4		2				1				
91	Black Kite	Milvus migrans	✓	1		1	4			3			4				
92	Pallas's Fish Eagle	Haliaeetus leucoryphus												6	4	4	

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93	Grey-headed Fish Eagle	Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus				3								3	4	6	
94	White-rumped Vulture	Gyps bengalensis						3	6								
95	Himalayan Griffon	Gyps himalayensis							10					1			
96	Slender-billed Vulture	Gyps tenuirostris														2	
97	Red-headed Vulture	Sarcogyps calvus													1		
98	Short-toed Snake Eagle	Circaetus gallicus						1	2					1			
99	Crested Serpent Eagle	Spilornis cheela			2			2	1					3	1	5	
100	Hen Harrier	Circus cyaneus						1m	1f					1		1f	
101	Pied Harrier	Circus melanoleucos						1f	1j								
102	Crested Goshawk	Accipiter trivirgatus				1										1	
103	Shikra	Accipiter badius						1								1	
104	White-eyed Buzzard	Butastur teesa							2								
105	Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo					1		1								
106	Long-legged Buzzard	Buteo rufinus							1								
107	Greater Spotted Eagle	Aquila clanga													1		
108	Steppe Eagle	Aquila nipalensis							1					3			
109	Booted Eagle	Hieraaetus pennatus														1	
110	Collared Falconet	Microhierax caerulescens				2			1								
111	Lesser Kestrel	Falco naumanni		2				25									
112	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus					1	1	4					2	1		
113	Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus			1			2			1						
114	Oriental Darter	Anhinga melanogaster			2	3		1	1					20	40	30	
115	Little Cormorant	Phalacrocorax niger			1			10	15					10	1000	300	
116	Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo			3	2		40	8						1	1	
117	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta			3	2		4	5					7	20	20	
118	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea						3	2					6	6	6	
119	Purple Heron	Ardea purpurea												1	1	1	
120	Great Egret	Casmerodius albus			4	1		1	3					4	6	5	
121	Intermediate Egret	Mesophoyx intermedia		2	3	2			2					3	8	2	
122	Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis		50			50	3	25	20			20	40	40	50	
123	Indian Pond Heron	Ardeola grayii		7	5	5		7	10	3				10	20	12	
124	Striated (Little) Heron	Butorides striatus						1	1								

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125	Black-headed Ibis	Threskiornis melanocephalus												2			
126	Black Ibis	Pseudibis papillosa			12	1		5	3								
127	Spot-billed Pelican	Pelecanus philippensis												20	25	1	
128	Asian Openbill	Anastomus oscitans			2	50		6	3					100	20	40	
129	Black Stork	Ciconia nigra				1		3	5					15	2		
130	Woolly-necked Stork	Ciconia episcopus			1		1							5	15	12	
131	Black-necked Stork	Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus												9	5	2	
132	Lesser Adjutant	Leptoptilos javanicus		3	1	3								10	6	10	
133	Greater Adjutant	Leptoptilos dubius												3	1		
134	Golden-fronted Leafbird	Chloropsis aurifrons													1	4	
135	Brown Shrike	Lanius cristatus						1									
136	Long-tailed Shrike	Lanius schach		2	1	2	1	3	2				1	2	2	3	
137	Grey-backed Shrike	Lanius tephronotus						1						1	2	1	
138	Red-billed Blue Magpie	Urocissa erythrorhyncha					2										
139	Rufous Treepie	Dendrocitta vagabunda		1		3	4	4	2					4	3	3	
140	Grey Treepie	Dendrocitta formosae										6					
141	House Crow	Corvus splendens	✓	200			500	✓	✓	✓			200		40		
142	Large-billed crow	Corvus macrorhynchos									5	4	1				
143	Jungle Crow	Corvus calminatus		5	20	40	10	30	30	10			10	✓	50	40	
144	Ashy Woodswallow	Artamus fuscus				8		40	20							8	
145	Black-hooded Oriole	Oriolus xanthornus		h	4	2		4	3					4	2	5	
146	Maroon Oriole	Oriolus traillii														2	
147	Large Cuckooshrike	Coracina macei			3	2		3	2						2	2	
148	Long-tailed Minivet	Pericrocotus ethologus													3	7	
149	Scarlet Minivet	Pericrocotus flammeus				4			2f							7	
150	White-throated Fantail	Rhipidura albicollis				1		1									
151	Black Drongo	Dicrurus macrocercus		100	✓	✓	50	40	20	20			20	10	✓	6	
152	Ashy Drongo	Dicrurus leucophaeus						2									
153	White-bellied Drongo	Dicrurus caerulescens				1											
154	Bronzed Drongo	Dicrurus aeneus						4								3	
155	Lesser Racket-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus remifer														1	
156	Spangled Drongo	Dicrurus hottentottus						2								2	

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157	Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus paradiseus				2	1	1									
158	Brown Dipper	Cinclus pallasii		2													
159	Blue Whistling Thrush	Myophonus caeruleus		1			1					3	2		1		
160	Taiga Flycatcher	Ficedula albicilla			1	1		4	3	1					1		
161	Verditer Flycatcher	Eumyias thalassina						4	6								
162	Pale-chinned Flycatcher	Cyornis poliogenys						1									
163	Grey-headed Canary Flycatcher	Culicicapa ceylonensis			2			5							5	5	
164	Siberian Rubythroat	Luscinia calliope						2		1							
165	White-tailed Rubythroat	Luscinia pectoralis			1												
166	Oriental Magpie Robin	Copsychus saularis		3	2			1							6		
167	White-capped Water Redstart	Chaimarrornis leucocephalus					1										
168	Plumbeous Water Redstart	Rhyacornis fuliginosus		1													
169	Little Forktail	Enicurus scouleri		1													
170	Black-backed Forktail	Enicurus immaculatus					2										
171	Common Stonechat	Saxicola torquata			3	2			3					3	2	3	
172	White-tailed Stonechat	Saxicola leucura			1	2											
173	Pied Bushchat	Saxicola caprata		4	2												
174	Chestnut-tailed Starling	Sturnus malabaricus						30	20					30	3	18	
175	Asian Pied Starling	Sturnus contra		2		7	60	40	20	50				100	30	150	
176	Common Myna	Acridotheres tristis		200	✓	✓	200	50	50	40			20	200	100	400	
177	Jungle Myna	Acridotheres fuscus		10		2	30							20	20	12	
178	Hill Myna	Gracula religiosa													5		
179	White-tailed Nuthatch	Sitta himalayensis										1					
180	Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	Sitta frontalis				2											
181	Great Tit	Parus major		2	3	5		2							2		
182	Green-backed Tit	Parus monticolus									1	5					
183	Yellow-browed Tit	Sylviparus modestus									4						
184	Black-throated Tit	Aegithalos concinnus										3					
185	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica		1	1									300	500	8	
186	Plain Martin	Riparia chinensis			12	50								10	50	40	
187	Red-rumped Swallow	Hirundo daurica		6													
188	Black-crested Bulbul	Pycnonotus melanicterus														2	

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189	Red-whiskered Bulbul	Pycnonotus jocosus				4		6								6	
190	Himalayan Bulbul	Pycnonotus leucogenys					3										
191	Red-vented Bulbul	Pycnonotus cafer		100	200	100	✓	100	200	20	✓	✓	✓	10	10	6	
192	Black Bulbul	Hypsipetes leucocephalus									7						
193	Grey-breasted Prinia	Prinia hodgsonii			12	3											
194	Oriental White-eye	Zosterops palpebrosus						5	6						3		
195	Pale-footed Bush Warbler	Cettia pallidipes				h											
196	Grey-sided Bush Warbler	Cettia brunnifrons			1												
197	Spotted Bush Warbler	Bradypterus thoracicus			h												
198	Common Tailorbird	Orthotomus sutorius		3	2			3							4		
199	Dusky Warbler	Phylloscopus fuscatus						2									
200	Tickell's Leaf Warbler	Phylloscopus affinis						3									
201	Ashy-throated Warbler	Phylloscopus maculipennis									3						
202	Lemon-rumped Warbler	Phylloscopus chloronotus										4			7		
203	Greenish Warbler	Phylloscopus trochiloides		2	3			6	5								
204	Brownish Flanked Bush-warbler	Cettia fortipes									1						
205	Striated Grassbird	Megalurus palustris						1								h	
206	Chestnut-crowned Laughingthrush	Garrulax erythrocephalus									10						
207	Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler	Pomatorhinus ruficollis									h						
208	Striped Tit Babbler (Pin-striped)	Macronous gularis				2									h		
209	Chestnut-capped Babbler	Timalia pileata			1												
210	Striated Babbler	Turdoides earlei							10								
211	Jungle Babbler	Turdoides striatus		6	15	50		20	30								
212	Red-billed Leiothrix	Leiothrix lutea									10	15	10				
213	Hoary-throated Barwing	Actinodura nipalensis									h						
214	White-browed Fulvetta	Alcippe vinipectus									20						
215	Whiskered Yuhina	Yuhina flavicollis									3	20	5				
216	Ashy-crowned Sparrow Lark	Eremopterix grisea							5								
217	Sand Lark	Calandrella raytal							7								
218	Oriental Skylark	Alauda gulgula							4								
219	Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker	Dicaeum cruen													1		
220	Purple Sunbird	Nectarinia asiatica						2	2								

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221	Green-tailed Sunbird	Aethopyga nipalensis									1m	1m					
222	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus		100	30	✓	300	3	✓	✓			✓	✓	50	✓	
223	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Passer montanus		8								40		40			
224	White Wagtail	Motacilla alba			3		3		4					2	4	✓	
225	White-browed Wagtail	Motacilla maderaspatensis		2	5	1											
226	Citrine Wagtail	Motacilla citreola		1					1						1	1	
227	Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla flava														40	
228	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea					1									1	
229	Tawny Pipit	Anthus campestris							2								
230	Olive-backed Pipit	Anthus hodgsoni				2		2	1								
231	Rosy Pipit	Anthus roseatus						1									
232	Rufous-breasted Accentor	Prunella strophiata									2						
233	Scaly-breasted Munia	Lonchura punctulata		10	2	3		8							5		
234	Common Rosefinch	Carpodacus erythrinus						2									
235	Pink-browed Rosefinch	Carpodacus rodochroa						1									
236	Crested Bunting	Melophus lathami			7												

Mammals

1	Indian Flying Fox	Pteropus giganteus							500							
2	Assam Macaque	Macaca assamensis													4	1
3	Rhesus Macaque	Macaca mulatta	2	20	6	60	1			6	4	8	30	30	90	✓
4	Common Langur	Presbytis entellus			3	1										
5	Capped Langur	Trachypithecus pileatus													7	
6	Asiatic Golden Jackal	Canis lupus						6								
7	Smooth-coated Otter	Aonyx cinerea											3	3		
8	Indian Grey Mongoose	Herpestes edwardsi					2									
9	Fishing Cat	Felis bengalensis											1			
10	Ganges River (Gangetic) Dolphin	Platanista gangetica				3										
11	Greater (Indian) One-horned Rhinoceros	Rhinoceros unicornis		4a2j	1								70	50	24	2
12	Wild Boar	Sus scrofa		3	4								20	20	5	
13	Muntjac (Barking Deer)	Muntiacus muntjak													2	
14	Spotted Deer (Chital)	Cervus axis		3	50											

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15	Hog Deer	Cervus porcinus			4			1	5					200	300	200	20
16	Swamp Deer	Cervus duvaucelii												25	40	50	
17	Wild Water Buffalo	Bubalus bubalis						32						50	40	30	1
18	Hoary- bellied Squirrel	Callosciurus pygerythrus												3	4	3	1
19	Malayan Giant Squirrel	Ratufa bicolor															1
20	Indian Hare	Lepus nigricollis							1								
21	Asiatic Wild Elelphant	Elephus maximus													10	8	
22	Nilgai(Bluebull)	Boselaphus tragocamelus							1								

Reptiles

1	Marsh Mugger	Crocodylus palustris		5	7		2					
2	Gharial	Gavialis gangeticus		3								
3	Bengal Monitor (Lizard)	Varanus bengalensis								2		



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