

Unknown India - Tadoba & Satpura

With Kanha Extension

Naturetrek Tour Report

14 - 30 November 2017



Great-Thick-knee, Satpuda



Wild Dog, Pench



Sub-Adult Tiger, Tadoba



Tadoba, Bee-Eater

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Day 1

Tuesday 14th November

The group boarded their flight to Mumbai, to travel onward to Nagpur.

Day 2

Wednesday 15th November

The group arrived at Nagpur on time and we transferred to The Radisson Blu for an overnight stay. After all the check-in formalities and some time to freshen up and change, we met again for a welcome dinner. Everyone enjoyed the dinner and then called it a night after the briefing for the next day's plan.

Day 3

Thursday 16th November

We met at the lobby as per the timing decided, and then left for Tadoba at 10.30am. After having some stops for birding, we reached Svasara at 1pm, and were greeted on arrival by Mr. Ranjit and his team.

After lunch we all proceeded for the afternoon safari. We had some great opportunities for watching birds. One of our group jeeps had a glimpse of the sub-adult cub of a Tigress walking in the grasses very far away under the treeline. There were also Sloth Bear seen that evening. The guests enjoyed their first drive in the park.

On returning to the lodge, everyone enjoyed hot drinks with some finger food, and returned to their rooms to freshen up. We later met at 7.30pm, for the checklist, after which we had our dinner and then everyone proceeded towards their rooms for the night.

Day 4

Friday 17th November

With an early morning wake-up, call we all assembled for the morning safari. After having a nice hot drink, we left for our morning drive in the park. This morning we drove to Pandherpauni and checked the waterhole there, but it was quite quiet. We did some birdwatching there and then proceeded to explore more of the park. We followed the footprints of Wild Dogs, till they vanished into the non-tourism area of the park. We later drove to the breakfast point and enjoyed a delicious picnic breakfast. Later we left the park and returned to the lodge. After lunch we again visited the park, and as we drove to the Pandherpauni waterhole, we found fresh tiger tracks on the road. We followed them and suddenly found a Tigress walking towards us on the road; we stopped, but she just decided to walk into the dense undergrowth, and later disappeared. So, continuing our drive, we visited the Navegaon side of the park, where we spotted some Blue Bulls and had some amazing birdwatching time.

We later returned to the lodge and met for the checklist and then dinner. We then called it a night, and everyone retired to their rooms!

Day 5

Saturday 18th November

With an early morning wake-up call, we all assembled for the morning safari. After having a nice hot drink, we left for our morning drive in the park.

Once inside the park, we had a wonderful sighting of a sub-adult male, resting in the grass, very close to the road. He offered us plenty of time, before walking away and disappearing in the tall grass! Later, we drove to other areas to explore more. And then we had a nice picnic breakfast under the trees, before we left the park. After reaching the lodge, having a shower and some rest, we again met for lunch and straightaway left for the park.

This evening we had a good view of Gaur which had entered the water to feed on the aquatic vegetation in the Tadoba lake. We had a good time watching them move around in the water and also watched some crocodiles and birds. Then we visited Telia lake, in another zone of the park, but it was very quiet so, we returned to the gate as it was almost time for the gate closure.

On reaching the lodge, we did our checklist, had our dinner and went to bed.

Day 6

Sunday 19th November

This morning as we drove into the park, it was very quiet. We planned to visit the Telia dam again this morning. As we drove there, we stopped for some birding. Later, as we drove forward, we got a fleeting glimpse of the Tiger walking in the dense bamboo cover. We returned to the area called Panchdhara, where expected him to walk across the road but, unfortunately, we couldn't see him when he went across. As the place was rather crowded, we decided to drive to waterhole number 97, and spend some time watching birds there. Just as we took a turn towards the waterhole, there was this Tigress P2 walking on the road towards the same waterbody we wanted to visit. A Tigress walking, and only us present - there was excitement in the jeep! On reaching the waterhole, she decided to just sleep in the grass next to the water, and our other jeep arrived at the spot as well. We had a fantastic time watching her there, and also, having our breakfast there. It was a wonderful experience, and everyone enjoyed it!

Later we returned to the lodge, we had some time for a shower, and then we had our lunch before leaving for Pench. As we drove to Pench, the route was quite scenic before we got onto the Highway. We took a short stop to stretch our legs and use the washrooms and then proceeded towards Pench.

On arrival at the lodge, after check-in and other formalities, we went to the rooms and met again for the checklist and dinner. After a briefing on the plan for the next morning, we went to bed.

Day 7

Monday 20th November

With an early wake-up call, we proceeded for our safari and entered the park. We found fresh pugmarks of a Tigress, which we followed till they disappeared into the area with no roads, so we decided to continue with our drive. We drove towards the backwater part of the park, where we watched a large pack of Wild Dogs, trotting away on the road, marking their territory, socialising and playing with shed deer antlers! It was an absolute delight

to watch the 13+-member pack there. We then proceeded towards the centre point, but before reaching there, we heard alarm calls and we decided to stop; suddenly, we saw the Tigress walk out into the bushes, attempting to hunt the deer which were oblivious to her presence. And then suddenly she was spotted and there were alarm calls, and the deer escaped! There was a lot of excitement! We waited for a while after that and then drove to the centre point for breakfast as the Tigress vanished into the dry stream bed away from our sight!

Our afternoon drive began after lunch. We spotted another pack of Wild Dogs (with five members) which was resting by the side of the road. We watched them doing all their activities without being bothered by our presence! Later we visited a few spots where we watched some Jackals feeding on a dead Langur monkey. We also spotted some kingfishers, Ruddy Shelduck, and other birds, and we spent a good time watching a Grey Mongoose!

We exited the gate on time and, before returning to the lodge, we took a detour, to spot the Indian Giant Flying Squirrel; it was a delight to watch it glide from one tree to the other. Later we returned to the lodge. After a quick shower, we all met again for the checklist and dinner.

Day 8

Tuesday 21st November

We met early for our morning safari, the last one for this park. It was a bit overcast morning. We drove to the backwater area, to check for the Wild Dogs and Tiger which had moved that way the previous evening. We spent some time watching the Jackals, as they howled (to socialise with each other). We also had good sightings of Olive-backed and Paddyfield Pipits, and some Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Larks. Later we drove to spot where someone had seen Wild Dog footprints. We followed the footprints, but then the dogs were not seen. So, we had out breakfast there, and then returned to the exit gate.

On returning to the lodge, we had some time for a shower, before we hit the road to Satpuda. We had carried with us packed lunches, which we ate at a nice location on our way.

We reached the lodge and were welcomed by Erwin and the staff. We were allotted rooms and briefed about the place. We straightaway headed for dinner and then were escorted to the allocated rooms after a briefing for the next day's plan.

Day 9

Wednesday 22nd November

After an early morning wake-up call, we left for the park. We took the boat to go across the Denwa Backwaters. It was a cloudy and hazy morning. Once we got on to the other side, we had our jeeps ready and then started with our drive into the park. We scanned the floor for Leopard and Sloth Bear tracks. Later, we proceeded for some breakfast at a scenic spot by the side of a stream, where someone informed us of a Sloth Bear sighting close by. We rushed to the spot and were delighted to see a big bear digging up termite hills, turning the logs, and doing what it does the best - sniffing out the white ants! Later, we waited at the waterhole nearby, where the bear walked out, had a drink, and walked away into the forest all the way round the pond. We then returned to the breakfast point, and this time, we did enjoy some delicious breakfast by the scenic stream! Later, we resumed our drive, and came back into the meadows and watched the large herds of Spotted Deer, in the meadows. We also had a good sighting of Wild Boar and Crocodile, quite close by. We returned to the other side of the dam, and

started our drive back to the lodge. We had good sightings of the Spotted Owlets, Rosy Starlings and many other birds, as they flew over the recently harvested and ploughed fields.

On reaching the lodge, we had lunch and then we met in the afternoon to drive to the buffer zone for our night safari. On our safari we watched Indian Hare and a couple of Chinkara Gazelle; we heard a few alarm calls, and watched the night descend upon the forest! Later we returned to the lodge.

Soon after we got back, we met for checklist by the fireplace, followed by dinner and then headed for bed.

Day 10

Thursday 23rd November

The morning wake-up call and a cup of coffee got us ready for the safari. We drove to the spot where we boarded the boat, and then we crossed over and got onto the designated jeeps. Then we started off on our drive into the park, searching for pugmarks of Leopards, or Sloth Bear footprints, but we couldn't find any. Later, we went for breakfast by the river. We ate our picnic breakfast on the large boulders in the river bed; it's a mesmerising place, and we also watched a Grey-headed Fish Eagle, Striated Heron and some Pied Kingfishers as we enjoyed our breakfast! We also spotted an Indian Giant Squirrel on our way back, and then started our drive back to the gate.

On returning to the lodge, we had some time before lunch. After lunch we proceeded towards the backwaters to do the boat ride. It was a wonderful ride, and we spotted a lot of birds, like Ruddy Shelducks, Red-crested Pochard, Crested Hawk-Eagle, Little and Great Cormorants, River and Black-bellied Terns and Grey-headed Fish Eagle, and Mammals like Gaur, Sambhar and Wild Boar as well. It was a wonderful way to explore the areas of the park inaccessible by road.

Then we returned to the lodge and met for checklist, followed by dinner.

Day 11

Friday 24th November

This morning we drove to the village nearby to search for the Black Bucks. One of our group members decided to go for a walk inside the park.

It was a pleasant drive in the village and the fields nearby; we did spot a herd of Black Bucks and then continued watching birds. We had wonderful sightings of Barred Buttonquails, Indian Silverbills and Lesser Whitethroat, along with a large number of different species. We then proceeded for breakfast under the trees, and later visited the canal to look for the Indian Eagle-Owl, and we found one! From there we drove back to the lodge, and later met for lunch.

Post lunch, we proceeded on an afternoon safari. We heard a few alarm calls and followed a lot of pugmarks but, overall, the drive was very quiet. Then, right at the end of the safari, we spotted Sloth Bear footprints on the road that we had used barely 20 minutes earlier; we followed the footprints all the way till the last one, but the bear had gone into the forest and was not to be seen. Then it was time for us to return to the gate.

On returning to the lodge, we met for the checklist and then for dinner.

Day 12 Main Tour / Day 1 Extension

Saturday 25th November

This morning we had our last safari in the park. We had to leave the park earlier this morning, as we had to board the train to Jabalpur. We boarded the boat and had a very surreal effect of the rising sun as we went across the dam backwaters. Again, our jeeps were ready for us. We drove into the park and followed some tracks of Leopards, but the predator proved too elusive. Later, we decided to go back into the meadows, and then we got the information that a Sloth Bear had been seen; we rushed to the spot to find our other jeep already waiting there, and the bear was busy digging into a termite mound. We waited until the bear moved out and went across the road and into the hills, but then it returned again, to go into the meadows, before it disappeared into the forest where there is no road access. Then we drove to the breakfast point and enjoyed our picnic breakfast. After breakfast, we drove out of the gate and started our journey back to the lodge, where we had a short time for packing and to get ready to drive to Pipariya to board our train.

Two group members left Satpuda with Kaustubh, to board the train to Jabalpur, for the Kanha extension, taking a packed lunch. Three clients drove to Bhopal after lunch, for their return journey home, and the remaining two clients had opted to stay on at Satpuda. So, we bid goodbye to the courteous staff at Reni Pani and started our drive back. Once at the railway station, the porters picked our bags and they amazed our guests with the loads they take on their heads! The train was running a bit late, so we had some time on the platform watching the activities over there.

When we reached Jabalpur, we soon headed to our waiting vehicles. We decided to take a stop at Mandla, for the toilets and for some refreshments. Once done, we commenced our drive to Kanha. It took longer than expected, as the road we use was under repair, and hence we had to take another route. By the time we reached Kanha, it was dinner time. Dinner was soon served. After dinner and the briefing for the next day, we called it a night and went straight to bed.

Day 13 Main Tour / Day 2 Extension

Sunday 26th November

The clients on the main tour flew home today.

With a wake-up call, those on the extension left for the park and went to Kanha zone. As we entered the park we were greeted by the Jackals at the entrance. Later we headed straight to Link8 and then into the meadows, where we spotted the Barasingha deer in the grassland. And then as we drove forward, we followed fresh tracks of a male Tiger, but it was nowhere to be seen. We also heard a lot of Langur and Spotted Deer alarm calls, but the Tiger wasn't seen. We drove around the grassland before we went for our breakfast. Post breakfast, we drove back towards the gate, again spotting the Jackals and some Yellow-wattled Lapwings in the meadows near the park entrance.

Once back at the lodge, we met for some lunch and then headed for our afternoon safari. This afternoon, we had booked Kisli zone. We went to check a few roads, before heading over to check Indri. Once there, we were greeted by a lot of Red Avadavats that were feeding on the tracks, and then a Lesser Adjutant Stork as well. As we turned the vehicle around, a herd of Barasingha had just got into the water to feed. It was a beautiful sight with perfect light conditions! Then we returned to the main road, and went to check other roads, but no Tiger ... only fresh pugmarks everywhere!

Later we returned to the lodge and met for checklist and dinner.

Day 3 Extension

Monday 27th November

This morning we went into the Kisli zone. We were welcomed into the park by Jackals and Yellow-wattled Lapwings. As we drove around, most of the roads had fresh pugmarks. But the Tiger was still not seen. We waited at a spot where we heard Langur alarm calls, but got the information that Wild Dog was seen somewhere close by, so we rushed to that spot, and we had a wonderful sight of a lone Wild Dog. We later visited the centre point for some breakfast, before returning to the park gate.

In the afternoon drive we went to Sarhi zone, got a close view of Swamp Deer in the grassland close to the Kisli Guest House. We later went to Sonf meadows and then returned. On our way out, we got information, that a Tiger had been spotted by a couple of jeeps, so waited at the spot, but soon ran out of time and we had to leave the park.

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

Day 4 Extension

Tuesday 28th November

In the morning, we went to Kanha zone. As we reached the meadows, we had an amazing sighting of a Sloth Bear, just as it sniffed for the Termites, and then it crossed the road, and walked in an open grassland - it was the best Sloth Bear sighting we had on this tour! We later got the information, that a Tigress crossed the road, and was greeted by her four cubs once she walked very far away from the road! Otherwise, the forest was very quiet that morning and we returned to the exit gate. After lunch at the lodge, we drove to Kisli zone, and went to the spots where there had been a sighting in the morning. We waited for a long time, but the predators proved too elusive. We tried every place where there could have been a chance, but to no avail. Soon we ran short of time and had to exit the park.

We returned to the lodge and met for checklist and dinner. I briefed the guests about the plans for the next day, as we were supposed to drive to Nagpur. We also planned a time for a nature walk for birding, and after dinner, we called it a night.

Day 5 Extension

Wednesday 29th November

This morning we met and headed out for a short walk for birdwatching. It was absolutely incredible. We had excellent sight of Common Iora, Eurasian Golden and Black-hooded Oriole, Jungle Owlet, Chestnut-bellied Nuthatch, and a lot of other species, just 100 metres from the lodge. We went to the stream nearby and were happy to spot some Grey Wagtails and later a Ruddy Mongoose as well! We then headed for breakfast at 8.30am and, after breakfast and a short time for packing, we left for Nagpur at 10am with our packed lunch. The drive was through beautiful countryside, and as we drove, we spotted a few birds, and a lot of Macaques and Langurs.

We had a stop en route for a stretch and some coffee, and then had our lunch as we drove to the airport. On reaching the airport, I bid the guests a goodbye and wished them a happy journey.

Day 6 Extension

Thursday 30th November

The group members arrived back in the UK after a fascinating exploration of Unknown India.

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Indian Scops-Ow, Pench

Species Lists

Birds (✓=recorded but not counted)

	Common name	Scientific name	November													
			16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
1	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓					✓			✓
2	Indian Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>											✓			
3	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>		✓	✓	✓					✓					
4	Little Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax niger</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Oriental Darter	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
6	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓				✓
7	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	✓	✓	✓											
8	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
9	Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
10	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Indian Pond Heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
12	Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
13	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>									✓					
14	Painted Stork	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>	✓			✓										
15	Asian Openbill	<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>	✓	✓							✓		✓			
16	Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
17	Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>											✓			
18	Black-headed Ibis	<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓										
19	Red-naped Ibis	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
20	Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>				✓										
21	Lesser Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
22	Bar-headed Goose	<i>Anser indicus</i>									✓					
23	Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
24	Cotton Pygmy Goose	<i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i>			✓								✓			
25	Spot-billed Duck	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>	✓					✓	✓	✓	✓					
26	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>		✓												
27	Red-crested Pochard	<i>Netta rufina</i>								✓						
28	Western Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>								✓	✓					
29	Oriental Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓			✓					✓

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			16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
30	Black-winged Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>		✓	✓				✓	✓		✓	✓			✓	
31	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	✓						✓							✓	
32	Grey-headed Fish Eagle	<i>Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus</i>	✓	✓					✓		✓		✓				
33	White-rumped Vulture	<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>						✓						✓			
34	Indian (Long-billed) Vulture	<i>Gyps indicus</i>						✓							✓		
35	Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>							✓								
36	Red-headed Vulture	<i>Sarcogyps calvus</i>						✓									
37	Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>			?												
38	Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>			✓	✓			✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	
39	Pallid Harrier	<i>Circus macrourus</i>		✓													
40	Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓
41	White-eyed Buzzard	<i>Butastur teesa</i>						✓		✓		✓	✓				
42	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>							✓								
43	Changeable Hawk-Eagle	<i>Spizaetus cirrhatu</i>				✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
44	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>						✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				✓
45	Grey Francolin	<i>Francolinus pondicerianus</i>							✓			✓				✓	
46	Jungle Bush Quail	<i>Perdica asiatica</i>		✓	✓	✓											
47	Painted Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix lunulata</i>											✓	✓			
48	Red Junglefowl	<i>Gallus gallus</i>						✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	
49	Grey Junglefowl	<i>Gallus sonneratii</i>		✓	✓	✓				✓			✓				
50	Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
51	White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓				✓	✓
52	Grey-headed Swampfen (split fr Purple)	<i>Porphyrio poliocephalus</i>		✓													
53	Bronze-winged Jacana	<i>Metopidius indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓												
54	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
55	Eurasian Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus oedicephalus</i>						✓	✓								
56	Great Stone-curlew (Thick-knee)	<i>Burhinus recurvirostris</i>									✓						
57	River Lapwing	<i>Vanellus duvaucelii</i>								✓	✓	✓	✓				
58	Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>												✓	✓	✓	
59	Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
60	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>									✓	✓					
61	Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>									✓						

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62	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>									✓					
63	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>							✓	✓	✓	✓				
64	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
65	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>		✓					✓			✓	✓	✓		
66	Brown-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus brunnicephalus</i>									✓					
67	River Tern	<i>Sterna aurantia</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
68	Black-bellied Tern	<i>Sterna acuticauda</i>									✓	✓	✓			
69	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
70	Oriental Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>												✓	✓	
71	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓			
72	Spotted Dove	<i>Spilopelia chinensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
73	Laughing Dove	<i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
74	Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	<i>Treron phoenicopterus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
75	Orange-breasted Green Pigeon	<i>Treron bicinctus</i>								✓						
76	Alexandrine Parakeet	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
77	Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
78	Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
79	Pied Cuckoo	<i>Clamator jacobinus</i>		✓												
80	Common Hawk-Cuckoo	<i>Hierococcyx varius</i>				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
81	Indian Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus micropterus</i>											✓			
82	Sirkeer Malkoha	<i>Taccocua leschenaultii</i>										✓				
83	Greater Coucal	<i>Centropus sinensis</i>					✓		✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
84	Eastern Barn Owl	<i>Tyto javanica</i>							✓		✓					
85	Indian Scops Owl	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>							✓							
86	Indian Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo bengalensis</i>									✓					
87	Brown Fish Owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>		✓		✓	✓									
88	Mottled Wood Owl	<i>Strix ocellata</i>	✓													
89	Jungle Owlet	<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>		✓		✓	✓									✓
90	Spotted Owlet	<i>Athene brama</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
91	Jungle Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓											
92	Indian Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus asiaticus</i>							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
93	Savanna Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus affinis</i>	✓													

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94	White-rumped Spinetail	<i>Zoonavena sylvatica</i>													✓		
95	Crested Treeswift	<i>Hemiprogne coronata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
96	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	✓				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
97	Stork-billed Kingfisher	<i>Pelargopsis capensis</i>								✓							
98	White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
99	Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>		✓	✓						✓		✓				
100	Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
101	Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
102	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
103	Indian Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyrceros birostris</i>							✓	✓	✓					✓	✓
104	Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Megalaima haemacephala</i>					✓								✓	✓	✓
105	Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>									✓						
106	Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	<i>Yungipicus nanus</i>					✓										
107	Rufous Woodpecker	<i>Micropternus brachyurus</i>											✓		✓		
108	Streak-throated Woodpecker	<i>Picus xanthopygus</i>													✓		
109	Black-rumped Flameback	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
110	White-naped Woodpecker	<i>Chrysocolaptes festivus</i>										✓	✓				✓
111	Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Lark	<i>Eremopterix griseus</i>						✓									
112	Dusky Crag-martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne concolor</i>									✓						
113	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓					
114	Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>		✓				✓		✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
115	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>						✓			✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
116	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	✓					✓									
117	White-browed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla madaraspatensis</i>					✓		✓	✓	✓						✓
118	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	✓					✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
119	Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
120	Olive-backed Pipit	<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>		✓				✓	✓								
121	Rosy Pipit	<i>Anthus roseatus</i>						✓									
122	Large Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina macei</i>	✓	✓	✓						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
123	Small Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i>				✓											
124	White-bellied Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus erythropygus</i>									✓						
125	Scarlet Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>													✓		✓

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126	Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
127	Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>			✓					✓						✓	
128	Common Iora	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>	✓									✓				✓	
129	Orange-headed Thrush	<i>Geokichla citrina</i>			✓		✓							✓		✓	
130	Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>		✓					✓			✓	✓	✓			
131	Jungle Prinia	<i>Prinia sylvatica</i>										✓					
132	Ashy Prinia	<i>Prinia socialis</i>							✓								
133	Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inornata</i>		✓	✓				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
134	Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>		✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
135	Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>				✓						✓	✓				
136	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>										✓					
137	Asian Brown Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>									✓						
138	Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>		✓				✓	✓		✓				✓	✓	✓
139	Tickell's Blue Flycatcher	<i>Cyornis tickelliae</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓
140	Grey-headed Canary-flycatcher	<i>Culicicapa ceylonensis</i>									✓	✓	✓				✓
141	Oriental Magpie-Robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
142	Indian Robin	<i>Copsychus fulicatus</i>	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓
143	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓				✓		✓
144	Pied Bush Chat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
145	White-browed Fantail	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>	✓	✓						✓	✓	✓	✓				✓
146	Black-naped Monarch	<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>	✓	✓							✓					✓	✓
147	Indian Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>								✓							
148	Puff-throated Babbler	<i>Pellorneum ruficeps</i>									✓						
149	Tawny-bellied Babbler	<i>Dumetia hyperythra</i>		✓	✓								✓				
150	Yellow-eyed Babbler	<i>Chrysomma sinense</i>													✓		
151	Common Babbler	<i>Turdoides caudata</i>								✓	✓	✓	✓				
152	Large Grey Babbler	<i>Turdoides malcolmi</i>				✓											
153	Jungle Babbler	<i>Turdoides striata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
154	Brown-cheeked Fulvetta	<i>Alcippe poiocephala</i>		✓											✓	✓	✓
155	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		✓							✓		✓				✓
156	Chestnut-bellied Nuthatch	<i>Sitta cinnamoventris</i>															✓
157	Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓				✓	✓	✓

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158	Pale-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum erythrorhynchos</i>			✓											
159	Oriental White-eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>		✓								✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
160	Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>		✓		✓						✓	✓			✓
161	Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
162	Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>										✓				
163	Bay-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>									✓	✓				
164	Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
165	Common Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>	✓													✓
166	Black Drongo	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
167	Ashy Drongo	<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>			✓	✓		✓			✓				✓	
168	White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓
169	Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
170	Rufous Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
171	House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓			✓	
172	Large-billed Crow	<i>Corvus macrorhynchos</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
173	Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
174	Pied Myna (Asian Pied Starling)	<i>Gracupica contra</i>	✓			✓			✓		✓	✓	✓			✓
175	Brahminy Starling	<i>Sturnia pagodarum</i>	✓	✓			✓				✓					
176	Rosy Starling	<i>Pastor roseus</i>							✓	✓	✓	✓				
177	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
178	Yellow-throated Sparrow (Chestnut-sh Petronia)	<i>Gymnoris xanthocollis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
179	Red Avadavat	<i>Amandava amandava</i>		✓	✓								✓			
180	Indian Silverbill (White-throated Munia)	<i>Euodice malabarica</i>	✓						✓		✓	✓	✓			
181	Scaly-breasted Munia (Nutmeg Mannikin)	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>											✓		✓	✓
182	Grey-necked Bunting	<i>Emberiza buchanani</i>									✓					

Mammals

1	Royal Bengal Tiger	<i>Panthera tigris tigris</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓									
2	Jungle Cat	<i>Felis chaus kelaarita or kutas</i>							✓						✓	
3	Rhesus Macaque	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓				✓
4	Common Langur	<i>Presbytis entellus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Common Mongoose	<i>Herpestes edwardsi</i>					✓				✓					

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6	Ruddy Mongoose	<i>Herpestes smithii</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓					
7	Asian Palm Civet	<i>Paradoxurus hermaphroditus</i>			✓					✓	✓	✓	✓				
8	Small Indian Civet	<i>Viverricula indica</i>										✓					
9	Golden Jackal	<i>Canis aureus</i>					✓	✓					✓	✓	✓		
10	Dhole (Asiatic Wild Dog)	<i>Cuon alpinus dukhunensis</i>					✓							✓			
11	Bengal Fox	<i>Vulpes bengalensis</i>														✓	
12	Sloth Bear	<i>Merurus ursinus</i>	✓							✓		✓				✓	
13	Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus giganteus</i>					✓	✓									
14	Indian Fulvous Fruit Bat	<i>Rousettus leschenaultii</i>								✓							
15	Indian Tree Shrew	<i>Anathana ellioti</i>		✓													
16	Common Indian Field Mouse	<i>Mus booduga</i>								✓							
17	Indian or Black-naped Hare	<i>Lepus nigricollis</i>	✓	✓						✓		✓	✓	✓			
18	Three-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennarum</i>	✓				✓			✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
19	Five-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennanti</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓											
20	Indian Giant Flying Squirrel	<i>Petaurista philippensis</i>					✓										
21	Indian Giant Squirrel	<i>Ratufa indica</i>								✓	✓						
22	Gaur (Indian Bison)	<i>Bos guarus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
23	Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
24	Barasingha (Swamp Deer)	<i>Cervus duvauceli branderi</i>											✓				
25	Chital (Spotted Deer)	<i>Cervus axis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26	Indian Muntjac (Barking Deer)	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>			✓	✓				✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	
27	Black Buck	<i>Antilope cervicapra</i>										✓					
28	Khincara (Indian Gazelle)	<i>Gazella bennetti</i>								✓							
29	Nilgai (Blue Bull)	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>	✓	✓			✓			✓	✓	✓	✓				
30	Indian Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>								✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	

Reptiles & Amphibians

1	Marsh Mugger Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>	✓	✓		✓				✓	✓	✓	✓				
2	Indian Flapshell Turtle	<i>Lissemys punctata</i>				✓				✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	
3	Unnamed Lizard	<i>Varanus griseus koniecznyi</i>	✓														
4	Bronzeback Tree Snake (endemic)	<i>Dendrelaphis sp.</i>								✓	✓						
5	Common Garden Lizard	<i>Calotes versicolor</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓				

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6	Forest Calotes (Day not recorded)	<i>Calotes rouxi</i>														
7	Rock Agama	<i>Psammophilus sp.</i>								✓						
8	House Gecko species	<i>Hemidactylus or Gehyra etc sp</i>			✓	✓	✓				✓					
9	Indian Bullfrog	<i>Hoplobatrachus tigerinus</i>				✓										
10	Indian Skitter Frog	<i>Euphlyctis cyanophlyctis</i>				✓				✓						
11	Tree Frog								✓							

Invertebrates

1	Giant Wood Spider	<i>Nephila sp.</i>			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓				✓	✓	
2	Black Wood Spider			✓												



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