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Description of the forests in eastern Nepal:

**Basantpur:** all forest cleared, only a few trees left.

**Dinchire Pass:** rather fine forest of oak and rhododendron, some clearings with cattle grazing.

**Chowki - Gupha Pokhari:** rather overgrazed forest of oak and rhododendron, forest cleared around the villages.

**Gupha Pokhari - Deorali:** fine forest of rhododendron.

**Deorali - Gorjagaon:** broadleaf forest on the north side of the pass somewhat overgrazed. Very fine oak forest some distance before Gorjagaon. Around the village patches of forest, but mostly farmland.

**Gorjagaon - Dobhan (Tamur River):** Very little forest left, patches of Pinus roxburghii and Shorea robusta.

**Dobhan - Mitlung - Sinwa - Chiruwa:** Along the river patches of Alnus nipalensis and Duabanga grandiflora. Otherwise cleared. Fine forest of Shorea robusta and others on the mountain tops.

**Chiruwa - Tapethok:** Very fine forest of Alnus nipalensis along the river, but forest on the mountains cleared for farming.

**Tapethok - Sekathum (Sokathum):** Patches of fine oak forest, especially around Hellok. Otherwise farmland.

**Sekathum (Sokathum) - Amjilassa:** forest on north side of Ghunsa Khola cleared for farming, but on the south side virtually virgin forest, only a few patches cleared.

**Amjilassa - Gyapla (Kyapra) - Phele (Phere) - Ghunsa:** Virtually virgin forest of oak, rhododendron and Tsuga dumosa on both sides of the river, only cleared around the villages and a few patches in the forest. Very fine undercover of bamboo. Some of it has been cut, but of no significance.

Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen: Fine forest of juniper, larch, birch, willow and rhododendron, in the valley grazed by yaks, but still in a fine condition. Far too many big trees are cut for housing construction.

Kambachen - Ramtang - Lhonak: Low forest of juniper and birch, overgrazed by hundreds of yaks, except on the steeper parts of the mountains.

Sekathum - Hellok: Small patches of broadleaf forest, and rather large plantations of Alnus nipalensis, but most cleared for farming.

Hellok - a few kilometres up the north side of the Deorali Daara: Most of the forest cleared and overgrazed. Taken over by Pteridium aquilinum and Rubus ellipticus.

Deorali Daara from a few kilometres south of Hellok to Ghatte Khola: Very fine, virtually untouched forest of oak, rhododendron, Tsuga dumosa, fir and others, with fantastic underforest of bamboo. The finest forest I have seen in Nepal. Some cutting of trees in the part nearest to Yamphudin.

Ghatte Khola - Yamphudin: Almost all forest cleared for farming.

Kabeli Khola from Yamphudin to Guputar (near Mamamkhe): Fine patches of Alnus nipalensis, some of them planted. Otherwise farmland.

Guputar - Otama (Dobala Daara): Fairly fine broadleaf forest, mostly Alnus nipalensis, near Otama very open and overgrazed.

Otama - Yasin - Khewang - Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (Kabeli Khola): A few very small patches of broadleaf forest, but mostly farmland and very eroded on the steeper parts, especially around Tirbeni Dhoban. Between Khewang and Tawa Khola some Pinus roxburghii.

Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar: Some grazed oak and rhododendron forest around Gopetar, otherwise all forest cleared for farming.

Observed birds:

Little Grebe Tachybaptus ruficollis

2 SA. c.10 Kosi 16/4.

Great Cormorant Phalacrocorax carbo

4 SA.

Indian Pond Heron Ardeola grayii

c.25 SA.

Cattle Egret Bubulcus ibis

c.50 Suikhet (A) 22/3. 1-200 flying to roost Pokhara 31/3.

Little Egret Egretta garzetta

15-20 SA.

Large Egret Egretta alba

1 SA. 1 Kosi 16/4.

Grey Heron Ardea cinerea

1 Pokhara 31/3.

Purple Heron Ardea purpurea

1 Kosi 18/5.

Asian Openbill Stork Anastomus oscitans

4 SA. 2 Kasara 5/4.

Woollynecked Stork Ciconia episcopus

2 Kasara 5/4. 2 Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 16/5. 2 Birtamod 18/5.

Lesser Adjutant Leptoptilos javanicus

1 SA. 1 Kasara 5/4.

Rednaped Ibis Pseudibis papillosa

8 SA.

Lesser Whistling Duck Dendrocygna javanica

c.50 Kasara 5/4. c.50 Kosi 16/4. 2 Birtamod 18/5. c.10 Kosi 18/5.

Ruddy Shelduck Tadorna ferruginea

11 SA.

Common Teal Anas crecca

male Kasara 5/4.

Black Baza Aviceda leuphotes

pair in courtship display 3 km west of SA 7-8/4.

Crested Honey Buzzard Pernis ptilorhynchus

c.10 SA.

Blackwinged Kite Elanus caeruleus

2 Kosi 18/5.

Black Kite Milvus migrans

common Dhampus - Pokhara 31/3. 1 DG 11/5.

Black Kite Milvus migrans ssp. lineatus

1 Ramtang (K) 30/4. 1 Ghunsa 3/5.

Egyptian Vulture Neophron percnopterus

1 sub-ad. Dhampus (A) 22/3.

Lammergeier Gypaetus barbatus

2 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 1 Chomrong (A) 25/3 + 28/3. 2 ad. + 1 imm. Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. 1 imm. Kambachen (K) 3/5.

Oriental Whitebacked Vulture Gyps bengalensis

10-15 SA.

Longbilled Vulture Gyps indicus

1 SA.

Himalayan Griffon Gyps himalayensis

c.10 Pothana (A) 22/3. c.10 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 1 ad. Chomrong (A) 25/3 + 28/3. 2 imm. Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 1 imm. Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 1 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 2 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 4 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 4 Ramtang (K) 30/4. 5-6 Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. 1 imm. Lhonak, 1 imm. Kambachen (K) 2/5. 1 Kambachen - Rambuk Kharka (K) 3/5. 2-3 DG 11/5.

Crested Serpent Eagle Spilornis cheela

2 Dhampus (A) 22/3. 2 Tolka (A) 23/3. 1 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 2 Chomrong (A) 26/3. 2 Chomrong - Kaldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 2 Chomrong - Jhinu (A) 29/3. 2 Pothana - Dhampus (A) 31/3. 1 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 1 Dobhan -

Mitlung (T) 21/4. 3 Tapethok - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 2 Sekathum - Hellok (T) 8/5. pair in courtship display DG 11/5. 1 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 2 Khewang (KK) 14/5. 2 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Hen Harrier Circus cyaneus  
male Chomrong (A) 26/3.

Common Sparrowhawk Accipiter nisus  
female Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. female Kambachen - Ramtang 29/4. female Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. female Lhonak (K) 2/5. (Maybe all observations the same bird).

Shikra Accipiter badius  
2 males SA.

Common Buzzard Buteo buteo  
(race with reddish, very faintly barred tail)  
1 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 2 Ramtang (K) 30/4.

Black Eagle Ictinaetus malayensis  
2 Dinchire - Chowki (M) 17/4. 1 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5.

Steppe Eagle Aquila nipalensis  
1 sub-ad. Nagarjung 12/3. 1 imm. Chomrong (A) 25/3. 1 imm. SA.  
2 imm. Dinchire (M) 17/4.

Golden Eagle Aquila chrysaetos  
1 adult Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 1 imm. Lhonak (K) 1/5.

Booted Eagle Hieraaetus pennatus  
1 daily Chomrong (A) 25-28/3. 2 (probably a pair) Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 2 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Changeable Hawk-Eagle Spizaetus cirrhatus  
3 SA (one seen at close distance 3 km west of SA, sitting in tree).

Mountain Hawk-Eagle Spizaetus nipalensis  
2 Chiruwa - Tapethok (T) 23/4. 1 Sekathum - Amjilassa (K) 24/4. 1 (chased by Jungle Crow) Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5.

Osprey Pandion haliaetus  
1 daily SA.

Common Kestrel Falco tinnunculus

1 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. male Chomrong (A) 26/3. 3 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 2-3 Sekathum - Amjilassa (K) 24/4. 1 Amjilassa (K) 25/4. 1 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 1 Kambachen - Ramtang 29/4. male Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. 1 Amjilassa - Sekathum (K) 7/5. 1 Sekathum - Hellok (T) 8/5. pair (screaming and investigating cliffs for breeding site) Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15-16/5.

Oriental Hobby Falco severus

1 Dobhan (T) 21/4. 1 Tapethok - Sekathum (T) 23/4.

Saker Falco cherrug

1 Ramtang (K) 30/4.

Peregrine Falco peregrinus ssp. calidus

1 Lhonak (K) 1/5.

Tibetan Snowcock Tetraogallus tibetanus

c.20 Lhonak (K) 1-2/5.

Black Francolin Francolinus francolinus

c.10 SA.

Blood Pheasant Ithaginis cruentus

1 male + 2 females Rambuk Kharka - Ghunsa (K) 3/5.

Red Junglefowl Gallus gallus

c.10 SA.

Blue Peafowl Pavo cristatus

common SA and Kasara. female Dobhan (T) 21/4.

Brown Crake Amaurornis akool

1-2 SA.

Common Moorhen Gallinula chloropus

4-5 Kasara 5/4. 4-5 Kosi 16/4.

Purple Gallinule Porphyrio porphyrio

4-5 Kosi 16/4.

Oriental Pratincole Glareola maldivarum

2 Kosi 18/5.

Little Pratincole Glareola lactea

2 SA.

Little Ringed Plover Charadrius dubius  
30-40 SA (breeding),

Redwattled Plover Hoplopterus indicus  
10-15 SA.

Temminck's Stint Calidris temminckii  
4-5 SA.

Pintail Snipe Gallinago stenura  
2 SA (flight straight, otherwise like Fantail Snipe).

Eurasian Woodcock Scolopax rusticola  
1 displaying DG 10/5.

Common Greenshank Tringa nebularia  
15-20 SA.

Green Sandpiper Tringa ochropus  
15-20 SA. 1 Dobhan (T) 21/4.

Common Sandpiper Actitis hypoleucos  
c.10 SA.

Great Blackheaded Gull Larus ichthyaetus  
1 ad. in winter plumage SA.

Caspian Tern Sterna caspia  
1 Kosi 16/4.

Little Tern Sterna albifrons  
c.10 Kosi 16/4.

Snow Pigeon Columba leuconota  
c.30 Chomrong (A) 26/3. c.20 New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 30/3.  
45 Ghunsa (K) 27/4. c.15 Kambachen (K) 28/4. c.30 Kambachen -  
Ramtang 29/4. 2 Ramtang (K) 30/4. c.15 Ramtang - Lhonak (K)  
1/5. c.12 Lhonak - Kambachen (K) 2/5. c.35 Kambachen - Phele  
(K) 3/5.

Eurasian Collared Dove Streptopelia decaocto  
common SA.

Red Turtle Dove Streptopelia tranquebarica

common SA.

Oriental Turtle Dove Streptopelia orientalis

1-6 daily Chomrong (A) 25-28/3. 2-3 Mitlung (T) 21/4. 1 Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 2 Phele (K) 26/4. 3 Ghunsa (K) 27/4. 1 Ghunsa (K) 3/5. 2 Phele (K) 4-5/5. 2 Sekathum (K) 7/5. 2 Hellok (T) 8/5. 6-8 DG 11/5. 1 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 3 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 2 Yasin - Khewang (KK) 14/5. 3 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Spotted Dove Streptopelia chinensis

1 Dhampus (A) 22/3. common SA. 4 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 4 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 1 Hellok (T) 8/5. 2 Khewang - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. c.20 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. c.10 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Yellowfooted Green Pigeon Treron phoenicoptera

>100 SA (some had orange breast, but legs were yellow. Is Orangebreasted Green Pigeon really common at Chitwan, as indicated in your book, or is Mr. Gurung wrong?). - 2 Dobhan (T) 21/4.

Wedgetailed Green Pigeon Treron sphenura

1 Yasin (KK) 13/5. 3 Yasin (KK) 14/5.

Large Parakeet Psittacula eupatria

15-20 SA. (This, and the two following species, were seen eating soil in Rapti River).

Ringnecked Parakeet Psittacula krameri

very common SA.

Blossomheaded Parakeet Psittacula cyanocephala

common SA. 4-5 (one eating flowers of Shorea robusta) Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 2 Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Rosebreasted Parakeet Psittacula alexandri

20-30 SA.

Common Hawk-Cuckoo Hierococcyx varius

5-6 SA. 2-3 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 1 Mitlung (T) 22/4. 1 Khewang - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. 2 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 1 Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 16/5.

Large Hawk-Cuckoo Hierococcyx sparveroides



1 daily Chomrong (A) 25-27/3. 2-3 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 2-3 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Dhampus (A) 30-31/3. 1 Gorjagaon (M) 19-20/4. 6-7 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 1 Gyapla 26/4. 5-6 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 5-7/5. 4-5 DL 9/5. 2-3 DG 11/5. 5-6 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 2 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5.

Greybellied Plaintive Cuckoo Cacomantis passerinus

1 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Indian Cuckoo Cuculus micropterus

20-30 SA. 1 Dobhan (T) 20/4. 2 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 1 DL 9/5 (at c. 2800 m). 1 DG 11/5. 1 Yasin (KK) 13/5. 1 Yasin - Khewang (KK) 14/5.

Common Cuckoo Cuculus canorus

1 Tolka (A) 23/3 + 30/3. 1 daily Chomrong (A) 25-28/3. 1 Pothana - Dhampus (A) 31/3. 2-3 Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4. 7-8 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 5-6 Gupha Pokhari - Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. c.10 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 1 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 2-3 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 1 Gyapla 26/4. 1 Phele (K) 4-5/5. 3 Gyapla - Sekathum (K) 7/5. 1 Sekathum (K) 8/5. 1 DG 10/5. 3-4 DG, 1 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. 4-5 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 2 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 3-4 Yasin - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. pair + 3 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Oriental Cuckoo Cuculus saturatus

1 Pothana (A) 30/3. 1 Basantpur - Dinchire, 1 Chowki (M) 17/4. 2 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 5-6 Gupha Pokhari - Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. 2-3 Gorjagaon (M) 20/4. 5-6 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 1 Gyapla (K) 5/5. 1 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5. 2 Gyapla - Sekathum (K) 7/5. 1 DL 9/5. 1 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. 3 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 4-5 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 3 Yasin - Khewang (KK) 14/5. 2 Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Lesser Cuckoo Cuculus poliocephalus

2 DL 8/5. 2 DG 10-11/5. 1 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 1 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5.

Drongo-Cuckoo Surniculus lugubris

1 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Common Koel Eydynamys scolopacea

several Pokhara 22/3. 3-4 SA.

Greater Coucal Centropus sinensis  
2-3 SA.

Collared Scops Owl Otus lempiji  
1 heard Chiruwa (T) 22/4.

Mountain Scops Owl Otus spilocephalus  
1 heard Chomrong (A) 27/3. 1 heard Yasin (KK) 13/5.

Collared Owlet Glaucidium brodiei  
1 Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4.

Spotted Little Owl Athene brama  
2 heard Thamel, Kathmandu, 21-22/5.

Brown Wood Owl Strix leptogrammica  
1 heard Chowki (M) 18/4.

Jungle Nightjar Caprimulgus indicus  
2 heard Gyapla (K) 25/4. 1 heard Phele (K) 3/5. 1 heard Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5. 1 heard Sekathum (K) 7/5.

Himalayan Swiftlet Collocalia brevirostris  
2-300 Dobhan (T) 20/4. c.115 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. c.100 Chiruwa (T) 22/4. c.50 Chiruwa - Tapethok (T) 23/4. 1 Sekathum - Amjilassa (K) 24/4. c.25 Gyapla (K) 25/4. c.100 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5. c.50 Sekathum (K) 8/5. c.50 DH 10/5. c.100 DG, c.25 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. c.25 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. c.5 Yasin (KK) 13/5. c.25 Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5.

Whitethroated Needletail Hirundapus caudacutus  
15-20 Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 4-5 Gupha Pokhari (M) 19/4. 1 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 7/5.

Pacific Swift Apus pacificus  
c.10 Chomrong (A) 26/3. c.10 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 3 Gupha Pokhari (M) 19/4. c.10 Sekathum - Amjilassa (K) 24/4. c.5 Gyapla (K) 25/4. c.15 Hellok - DL 8/5. c.50 Yasin (KK) 13/5. c.50 Yasin - Khewang (KK) 14/5. c.20 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Alpine Swift Apus melba  
6 (probably at breeding site, tried to land several times on cliff) Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Little Swift Apus affinis

large colony under bridge at Mahadev Besi, small colony under roof of house in Naubise, both west of Kathmandu, 19/5.

Whitebreasted Kingfisher Halcyon smyrnensis

20-30 SA. 1 Dobhan (T) 20/4. 5-6 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 1 Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 16/5.

Storkbilled Kingfisher Pelargopsis capensis

1 SA.

Common Kingfisher Alcedo atthis

6 SA.

Pied Kingfisher Ceryle rudis

6-8 SA.

Green Bee-eater Merops orientalis

20-30 SA.

Bluetailed Bee-eater Merops philippinus

15-20 SA.

Indian Roller Coracias benghalensis

c.10 SA. 1 Dobhan (T) 20/4. 2-3 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 1 Mitlung (T) 22/4.

Great Barbet Megalaima virens

5-6 Nagarjung 12/3. common Dhampus - New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 22-23/3. 4 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 4-5 daily Chomrong (A) 25-27/3. c.10 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 3-4 Jhinu (A) 29/3. 5-6 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Dhampus (A) 30-31/3. 5-6 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 20-25 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 15-20 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 10-15 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 3-4 Hellok (T) 8/5. 1 DL 9/5 (at c.2800 m). 2-3 DG, 2-3 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. c.10 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. c.10 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. c.10 Yasin - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. c.25 (calling down to c.1000 m) Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. c.10 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Lineated Barbet Megalaima lineata

4-5 SA.

Goldthroated Barbet Megalaima franklinii

5-6 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 2 Chomrong - Jhinu (A) 29/3. 2 Phele (K) 4-5/5. 1 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 7/5. 3

Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 5-6 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 3-4  
Yasin - Khewang (KK) 14/5.

Bluethroated Barbet Megalaima asiatica

5-6 Nagarjung 12/3. 3-4 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 15-20  
Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. c.10 Mitlung - Sinwa (T) 22/4. 1  
Khewang - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. c.10 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni  
Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 3-4 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Crimsonbreasted Barbet Megalaima haemacephala  
2 SA.

Whitebrowed Piculet Sasia ochracea

1 Sekathum (K) 23/4.

Himalayan Goldenbacked Woodpecker Dinopium shoori  
male + 2 females Dobhan (T) 21/4.

Lesser Goldenbacked Woodpecker Dinopium benghalense  
3-4 SA.

Greater Goldenbacked Woodpecker Chrysocolaptes lucidus  
c.10 SA.

Darjeeling Pied Woodpecker Dendrocopos darjellensis  
male DH 9-10/5.

Fulvousbreasted Pied Woodpecker Dendrocopos macei  
male SA.

Greycapped Pygmy Woodpecker Dendrocopos canicapillus  
pair making a nest-hole in a dead branch, 3 km west of SA.

Hume's Shorttoed Lark Calandrella acutirostris  
3 Lhonak (K) 1/5.

Sandlark Calandrella raytal  
5-6 SA.

Oriental Skylark Alauda gulgula  
4-5 SA.

Brownthroated Sand Martin Riparia paludicola  
common SA (several nest holes in bank at Rapti River).

Collared Sand Martin Riparia riparia

1 Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5.

Barn Swallow Hirundo rustica

4 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 2 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 2 Hellok - DL 8/5. 2 Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. 1 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Redrumped Swallow Hirundo daurica

1 Nagarjung 12/3. several Dhampus (A) 22/3. 2 Dobhan (T) 20/4. 2-3 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 5-6 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Nepal House Martin Delichon nipalensis

c. 10 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. c.10 Jhinu (A) 29/3. c.10 Tolka (A) 30/3. c.15 Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4. c.10 Sinwa, 2 Chiruwa (T) 22/4. c.100 Sekathum - Amjilassa (K) 24/4. 2-300 Amjilassa (K) 25/4. 50-80 Sekathum (K) 7-8/5. c.25 DL 8-9/5. c.100 DG 11/5. c.50 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Richard's Pipit Anthus richardi

1 SA.

Paddyfield Pipit Anthus rufulus

common SA.

Olivebacked Pipit Anthus hodgsoni

1 Jhinu (A) 29/3. 10-15 SA. c.10 Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. 2-3 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 3-4 Gupha Pokhari (M) 19/4. 5-6 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 6-7 Rambuk Kharka - Ghunsa (K) 3/5. 2 (one carrying food) DL 8-9/5. 4-5 DG 11/5.

Rosy Pipit Anthus roseatus

15-20 SA. c.10 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 1 Ramtang (K) 30/4. c.10 Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. 5-6 Lhonak (K) 2/5. 2-3 Kambachen (K) 3/5.

Upland Pipit Anthus sylvanus

2 Basantpur (M) 17/4.

Citrine Wagtail Motacilla citreola

4-5 SA.

Grey Wagtail Motacilla cinerea

2 Tolka (A) 23/3. 1 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 3-4 daily Chomrong (A) 25-27/3. 2 males Chiruwa - Tapethok (T) 23/4. male Amjilassa (K) 25/4. 1 Gyapla (K) 26/4. 2 males Rambuk Kharka - Ghunsa (K) 3/5. 1 Sekathum (K) 8/5. 2 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. 6-7 (a pair copulating) Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. male Otama (KK) 13/5.

White Wagtail Motacilla alba

25-30 SA. 2 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 2 Ghunsa (K) 27/4. 1 Kambachen (K) 29/4. 1 Ghunsa (K) 3/5.

Whitebrowed Wagtail Motacilla maderaspatensis

10-15 SA (one imm.). 3-4 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4.

Blackwinged Cuckoo-Shrike Coracina melaschistos

2 New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 23/3. 1 Jhinu (A) 29/3. 1 singing SA. 2 Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 16/5.

Large Cuckoo-Shrike Coracina novaehollandiae

2 SA. 1 Dobhan (T) 20/4. 1 Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 16/5.

Scarlet Minivet Pericrocotus flammeus

c.10 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 1 male Hellok (T) 8/5. pair Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. pair Yasin (KK) 14/5. male Tawa Khola (KK) 15/5. 3 Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 16/5.

Shortbilled Minivet Pericrocotus brevirostris

female Pothana (A) 30/3. 6-8 (male feeding female) Chowki (M) 17/4. pair Gorjagaon (M) 20/4. male + female + imm. (the female was seen feeding the immature bird) Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. female (with food or nesting material in bill) Gyapla (K) 26/4. male Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4.

Longtailed Minivet Pericrocotus ethologus

2-3 Nagarjung 12/3. common Dhampus - New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 22-23/3. c.10 (pair in courtship) New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 3-4 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 5-6 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. male + female Phele (K) 4-5/5. male Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 5/5. male DL 9/5. pair DG 10/5. male DG 11/5. male Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Small Minivet Pericrocotus cinnamomeus

male SA.

Striated Bulbul Pycnonotus striatus

1 Pothana - Tolka, 1 Landruk (A) 23/3. 1 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3.

Redwhiskered Bulbul Pycnonotus jocosus  
4-5 SA.

Whitecheeked Bulbul Pycnonotus leucogenys  
2 Chomrong (A) 25/3. 2 Dhampus (A) 31/3. 5-6 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 10-15 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 25-30 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 15-20 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 2 Hellok (T) 8/5. 2 DG, 2 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. 2 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 2 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. c.10 Yasin - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. 50-70 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 15-20 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Redvented Bulbul Pycnonotus cafer  
common SA. 5 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 1 Khewang (KK) 14/5. c.10 (one with nesting material) Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. c.15 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Mountain Bulbul Hypsipetes mccllellandii  
1 singing Yasin (KK) 14/5.

Grey Bulbul Hypsipetes madagascariensis  
1 Nagarjung 12/3. 2 Tolka, 4-5 New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 23/3. common New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 5-6 Chomrong (A) 25/3. 2-3 Jhinu - New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 29/3. c.10 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Dhampus (A) 30-31/3. 30-40 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 35-40 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. c.50 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 15-20 Sekathum (K) 24/4. c.15 (pair with nesting material) Sekathum (K) 7/5. c.20 Sekathum - Hellok (T) 8/5. c.30 DG 11/5. c.20 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. c.20 (a pair copulating) Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. c.20 Yasin - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. c.40 (down to c.1000 m) Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Common Iora Aegithina tiphia  
2 Dobhan (T) 21/4.

Orangebellied Leafbird Chloropsis hardwickii  
4-5 Sekathum (K) 24/4. 1 Amjilassa (K) 25/4.

Brown Dipper Cinclus pallasii  
ad. feeding 2 fledged young New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 23/3. 2 Chomoro Khola (A) 28/3. 2 (one carrying food) Kyumru Khola (A) 29/3. 1 Modi Khola (at Jhinu) (A) 29/3. 1 New Bridge (Modi

Khola) (A) 30/3. 2 Dobhan (T) 20/4. 1 Sinwa (T) 22/4. 3 (one feeding fledged young at Hellok) Tapethok - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 1 Sekathum (K) 24/4. 1 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 5-6 (adult feeding 2 fledged young Ghunsa) Gyapla - Ghunsa (K) 26/4. 3 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 1 Rambuk Kharka (K) 3/5. 2 Phele - Gyapla (K) 5/5. 2 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5. 1 Amjilassa - Sekathum (K) 7/5. 1 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. 1 juv. Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 1 Tawa Khola (KK) 14-15/5.

Northern Wren Troglodytes troglodytes

1 singing Ghunsa (K) 26/4. 1 singing Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 1 singing Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 3 singing Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. 1 Lhonak (K) 2/5.

Rufousbreasted Accentor Prunella strophciata

1 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 2 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 1 Kambachen - Ramtang (K) 29/4. 3 Ramtang (K) 30/4. 5-6 Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. 6-8 Lhonak - Kambachen (K) 2/5. 7-8 Kambachen - Rambuk Kharka (K) 3/5.

Robin Accentor Prunella rubeculoides

6-8 Lhonak, 4 Kambachen (K) 2/5.

Whitebrowed Shortwing Brachypteryx montana

male (in bamboo) Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 5/5. male (in bamboo) DH 10/5.

Bluethroat Luscinia svecica

female SA.

Whitebrowed Bush-Robin Tarsiger indicus

male DG 10/5.

Rufousbreasted Bush-Robin Tarsiger hyperythrus

1 female DH 10/5.

Asian Magpie-Robin Copsychus saularis

2-3 Pokhara 31/3. common SA (one carrying food). 3-4 Dobhan (T) 20-21/4. 2 Hellok (T) 8/5. 5-6 Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 5-6 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Black Redstart Phoenicurus ochruros

4-5 SA. pair Lhonak (K) 1/5. 3 Lhonak (K) 2/5.

Bluefronted Redstart Phoenicurus frontalis



female daily (took a Large Cabbage White butterfly) Chomrong (A) 25-27/3. 3-4 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. female Sekathum - Amjilassa (K) 24/4. female Amjilassa (K) 25/4. c.10 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. c.10 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 20-25 Kambachen - Ramtang (K) 29/4. c.20 Ramtang (K) 30/4. c.10 Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. c.15 Lhonak - Kambachen (K) 2/5. 25-30 Kambachen - Phele (K) 3/5.

Plumbeous Redstart Rhyacornis fuliginosus

male Chomoro Khola (A) 28/3. pair Kyumru Khola (A) 29/3. pair Modi Khola (at Jhinu) (A) 29/3. 1 New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 30/3. pair Mitlung (T) 21/4. 20-25 (2-3 pairs in courtship display, 2 females flying into holes under rocks) Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 20-25 (several pairs carrying food to holes under rocks) Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 1 Sekathum (K) 24/4. 2-3 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 4-5 Gyapla - Ghunsa (K) 26/4. 1 female Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 1 female Rambuk Kharka (K) 3/5. 5-6 Phele - Amjilassa (K) 5/5. pair + male Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5. male, female Gyapla - Sekathum (K) 7/5. male Sekathum (K) 8/5. pair DL 9/5. 4-6 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. pair Tawa Khola (KK) 14-15/5.

Common Stonechat Saxicola torquata

c.10 SA. male Gorjagaon (M) 19/4.

Pied Bushchat Saxicola caprata

2 males SA. female (carrying food) Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Grey Bushchat Saxicola ferrea

pair Landruk (A) 23/3. 3 pairs daily Chomrong (A) 25-27/3. 5-6 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 4-5 Basantpur (M) 17/4. 5-6 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 3 Gupha Pokhari - Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. 5-6 Amjilassa, 1 Gyapla (K) 25/4. 1 male, 2 females Amjilassa - Sekathum (K) 7/5. pair DL 8-9/5. male DG 10/5. 2-3 pairs DG 11/5. 5-6 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 6-8 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 4-5 Yasin - Khewang (KK) 14/5.

Whitecapped River Chat Chaimarrornis leucocephalus

1 Chomoro Khola (A) 28/3. 1 Kyumru Khola (A) 29/3. 1 Modi Khola (at Jhinu) (A) 29/3. 1 Tolka - Pothana (A) 30/3. 1 Dobhan (T) 21/4. 5 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. c.5 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 1 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 6-8 Gyapla - Ghunsa (K) 26/4. 4-5 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 4-5 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 5-6 Kambachen - Ramtang (K) 29/4. 2 Ramtang (K) 30/4. 2 Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. 4-5 Lhonak - Kambachen (K) 2/5. c.10 Kambachen - Phele (K) 3/5.

c.10 Phele - Amjilassa (K) 5/5. 3 Amjilassa - Sekathum (K) 7/5. 5-6 DL - DH 9/5. 2 DH 10/5. 1 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5.

Bluecapped Rock-Thrush Monticola cinclorhyncha  
male Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. male Sinwa (T) 22/4. male Gyapla (K) 26/4. male Hellok (T) 8/5. male Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5.

Chestnutbellied Rock-Thrush Monticola rufiventris  
male Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4. 3 males Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4.

Blue Whistling Thrush Myiophonus caeruleus  
1 New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 23/3. 1 Chomrong (A) 27/3. 4-5 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 2-3 Chomrong - Jhinu (A) 29/3. 4-5 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Pothana (A) 30/3. 1 Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4. 1 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 1 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 1 Dobhan (T) 20/4. 15-20 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) (one with nesting material Dobhan, one eating berries of Sapium insigne) 21/4. 30-40 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 40-50 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 10-15 Sekathum - Amjilassa (K) 24/4. 5-6 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. c.10 Gyapla - Ghunsa (K) 26/4. 2 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 4 Phele (K) 3/5. 4-5 Phele - Gyapla (K) 5/5. 5-6 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5. c.20 Gyapla - Sekathum (K) 7/5. 5-6 Sekathum (K) 8/5. 2 DL 9/5. 1 DH 10/5. 4-5 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 2-3 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 1 Yasin, 2-3 Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. c.10 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 4-5 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Plainbacked Mountain Thrush Zoothera mollissima  
1 Deorali (M) 19/4. 2 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Pied Ground Thrush Zoothera wardii  
2 (one a female) Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5.

Orangeheaded Ground Thrush Zoothera citrina  
1 SA.

Whitecollared Blackbird Turdus albocinctus  
2-3 singing males Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. 5-6 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 4-5 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 3 Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. male Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. c.10 Kambachen - Phele (K) 3/5. 3-4 Phele (K) 5/5. 1 DL 9/5.

Greywinged Blackbird Turdus bouboul

male Chomrong (A) 26/3. male Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4.  
male singing Guputar (KK) 11/5. pair + male singing Guputar -  
Otama (KK) 12/5. female Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. male Yasin  
(KK) 14/5. male singing Gopetar (KK) 16-17/5.

Little Forktail Enicurus scouleri

1 Chomrong (A) 28/3. 2 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5.

Chestnutheaded Tesia Tesia castaneocoronata

2 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 1 DH 10/5. 1 DG 11/5.

Chestnutcrowned Bush Warbler Cettia major

1 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 7/5.

Yellowbellied Bush Warbler Cettia acanthizoides

1 singing (in bamboo) Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 5-6/5. 1 (in  
bamboo) DH 10/5.

Greysided Bush Warbler Cettia brunnifrons

1 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4.

Greybreasted Prinia Prinia hodgsonii

3-4 singing SA. 2 singing Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 16/5.

Striated Prinia Prinia criniger

1 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 2-3 Gorjagaon  
(M) 19/4. 3-4 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 4-5 Dobhan -  
Mitlung (T) 21/4. 10-15 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 10-15  
Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 5-6 Sekathum - Amjilassa (K)  
24/4. 6-7 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 5-6 Gyapla - Sekathum  
(K) 7/5. c.10 Sekathum (K) - DL 8/5. 3-4 DG 11/5. 4-5 Guputar -  
Otama (KK) 12/5. 4-5 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 5-6 Yasin -  
Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. c.10 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK)  
15/5. 1 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Common Tailorbird Orthotomus sutorius

2 Pokhara 31/3. 20-30 SA. 2 Dobhan (T) 20/4. 4-5 Dobhan -  
Mitlung (T) 21/4. 3-4 Mitlung - Sinwa (T) 22/4. c.10 Tawa  
Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Goldenspectacled Warbler Seicercus burkii

c.10 Dinchire - Chowki (M) 17/4. c.10 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari  
(M) 18/4. 7-8 Gupha Pokhari - Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. 1 Sekathum -  
Amjilassa (K) 24/4. c.10 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 4-5  
Gyapla - Phele (K) 26/4. c.10 Phele (K) 4/5. c.10 Phele -

Gyapla (K) 5/5. 4-5 (one had caught a large moth) Gyapla -  
Amjilassa (K) 6/5. 20-25 DL - DH 9/5. c.10 DH - DG 10/5.

Chestnutcrowned Warbler Seicercus castaniceps

1 Deorali - Gorjagaon (M) 19/4.

Greyhooded Warbler Seicercus xanthoschistos

>50 Nagarjung 12/3. common Dhampus - New Bridge (Modi Khola)  
(A) 22-23/3. common New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A)  
24/3. 4-5 Chomrong - Jhinu (A) 29/3. common New Bridge (Modi  
Khola) - Dhampus (A) 30-31/3. common Basantpur - Chowki (M)  
17/4. 1 Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. 4-5 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4.  
5-6 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. c.10 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T)  
23/4. 3-4 Sekathum - Amjilassa (K) 24/4. 2 Sekathum (K) 7-8/5.  
1 DL 9/5. 2-3 DG, 2 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. 6-7 (one  
carrying food) Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. c.10 Otama - Yasin  
(KK) 13/5. 5-6 Yasin - Khewang (KK) 14/5. 5-6 Tawa Khola -  
Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. c.10 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK)  
16/5.

Blyth's Crowned Warbler Phylloscopus reguloides

1 Chomrong (A) 26-27/3. 1-2 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3.  
25-30 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. c.50 Gyapla - Ghunsa (K)  
26/4. c.20 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. c.10 Rambuk Kharka  
- Kambachen (K) 28/4. c.10 Rambuk Kharka - Phele (K) 3/5. 20-  
25 Phele - Gyapla (K) 5/5. c.10 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5.

Greenish Warbler Phylloscopus trochiloides

c.10 Rambuk Kharka - Phele (K) 3/5.

Largebilled Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus magnirostris

c.10 singing DH 9/5. c.10 singing DH - DG 10/5.

Orangebarred Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus pulcher

c.15 Kambachen - Phele (K) 3/5. 2 Phele (K) 5/5.

Greyfaced Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus maculipennis

10-15 Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. 3-4 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari  
(M) 18/4. 5-6 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 1 Gyapla -  
Phele (K) 26/4. c.10 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 7/5. 25-30 DL 9/5.  
c.20 DH - DG 10/5.

Pallas' Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus proregulus

1 Nagarjung 12/3. 2 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A)  
24/3. 1 Ghunsa (K) 3/5. 1 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 7/5. 1 DL  
9/5.

Yellowbrowed Warbler Phylloscopus inornatus  
2+ Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. 1 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4.  
2 DH - DG 10/5.

Tickell's Warbler Phylloscopus affinis ssp. affinis  
2 SA.

Small Niltava Niltava macgrigoriae  
female Jhinu (A) 29/3.

Rufousbellied Niltava Niltava sundara  
male Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. male Tolka - Pothana (A)  
30/3. male Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 5/5.

Pale Blue Flycatcher Cyornis unicolor  
(breast, throat and upperside pale blue, belly and vent grey)  
male Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. male DG (at c.2000 m)  
11/5.

Verditer Flycatcher Muscicapa thalassina  
3 Pothana - Landruk (A) 23/3. male Chomrong (A) 27/3. c.10  
Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 4-5 Landruk - Pothana (A)  
30/3. 1 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. pair Gorjagaon (M)  
20/4. 1 Mitlung (T) 21/4. 1 Sinwa - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 2  
Sekathum (K) 24/4. 2 Amjilassa (K) 25/4. 2 Sekathum - Hellok  
(T) 8/5. 5-6 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 3-4 Otama - Yasin (KK)  
13/5. 5-6 (pair flying into attics of house Khewang) Yasin -  
Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. 1 Tawa Khola (KK) 15/5. 2-3 Tirbeni  
Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Ferruginous Flycatcher Muscicapa ferruginea  
2 Tapethok - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 2 DL 9/5. 1 DG 10/5.

Asian Sooty Flycatcher Muscicapa sibirica  
2 Dinchire (M) 17/4. 1 Deorali - Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. 1  
Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 2-3 Gyapla - Phele (K) 26/4. 1  
Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 7/5. 2 DL 9/5.

Asian Brown Flycatcher Muscicapa latirostris  
3 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Ultramarine Flycatcher Ficedula superciliaris  
2 males Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. male Pothana (A) 31/3.  
male (carrying food) Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Whitegorgetted Flycatcher Ficedula monileger

1 DL 9/5.

Orangeorgetted Flycatcher Ficedula strophciata

2 Nagarjung 12/3. 3 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 10-15 Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. 20-25 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 2 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 4-5 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 5-6 Gyapla - Ghunsa (K) 26/4. 3-4 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 3 Rambuk Kharka - Phele (K) 3/5. 3-4 Phele - Gyapla (K) 5/5. 2 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 7/5. 3-4 DL 9/5. 5-6 DH - DG 10/5. 1 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5.

Redbreasted Flycatcher Ficedula parva  
male SA.

Greyheaded Flycatcher Culicicapa ceylonensis

1 Pothana (A) 22/3. 2 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 2 Mitlung (T) 21/4. 10-15 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. c.10 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 4-5 Sekathum (K) 24/4. c.10 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 5-6 Gyapla - Phele (K) 26/4. 2-3 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 5-6/5. 1 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 7/5. 5-6 (pair in courtship display Hellok) Sekathum - Hellok (T) 8/5. 10-15 DL 9/5. 2 DG 10-11/5. 1 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 3-4 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. c.10 Yasin - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. 10-15 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 1 Gopetar (KK) 17/5.

Yellowbellied Fantail Rhipidura hypoxantha

10-15 Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. c.10 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 2 Gupha Pokhari - Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. 3-4 Gyapla - Phele (K) 26/4. 2 Phele (K) 3/5. 5-6 Phele - Gyapla (K) 5/5. 2-3 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5. c.10 DL 9/5. c.15 DH - DG 10/5.

Asian Paradise Flycatcher Terpsiphone paradisi

2 males SA. 2 males Kasara 5/4.

Greater Scalybreasted Wren-Babbler Pnoepyga albiventer

1 Phele (K) 26/4.

Lesser Scalybreasted Wren-Babbler Pnoepyga pusilla

1 (pale phase) DG 10/5.

Rufouscapped Babbler Stachyris ruficeps

2 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5.

Blackchinned Babbler Stachyris pyrrhops

1 Nagarjung 12/3.

Striped Tit-Babbler Macronous gularis

2 SA.

Jungle Babbler Turdoides striatus

15-20 SA.

Whitethroated Laughing-Thrush Garrulax albogularis

c. 10 Dhampus - Pothana (A) 22/3. 7-8 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 7-8 Chomrong - Jhinu (A) 29/3. 7-8 Tolka (A) 30/3. 7-8 Pothana (A) 31/3. 2 Gyapla (K) 26/4. 15-20 (3 flocks) DL 9/5.

Whitecrested Laughing-Thrush Garrulax leucolophus

>20 (in several flocks) Nagarjung 12/3. flock heard Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 3 + two flocks heard Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. flock heard Sekathum (K) 7/5. 2 flocks heard Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. flock heard Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 3 + flock heard Yasin, flock heard Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. 3 + 1 + three flocks heard Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 2 + flock heard Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Striated Laughing-Thrush Garrulax striatus

1 Pothana (A) 23/3. 2 Jhinu (A) 29/3. 4 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5.

Spotted Laughing-Thrush Garrulax ocellatus

1 + 1 heard Gyapla (K) 5/5.

Streaked Laughing-Thrush Garrulax lineatus

4 Landruk (A) 23/3. 2 Chomrong (A) 25-26/3. 1 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 2 DG 11/5.

Scaly Laughing-Thrush Garrulax subunicolor

1 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4.

Blackfaced Laughing-Thrush Garrulax affinis

2 Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. 4-5 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 3-4 Gyapla - Phele (K) 26/4. c.10 (several singing) Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 5-6 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 20-25 Rambuk Kharka - Phele (K) 3/5. c.10 Phele (K) 5/5. 2 DG 10/5.

Chestnutcrowned Laughing-Thrush Garrulax erythrocephalus

4-5 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3.

Green Shrike-Babbler Pteruthius xanthochlorus

pair building a nest Phele - Gyapla (K) 5/5.

The observed birds were showing intermediate characters between P. x. xanthochlorus and P. x. pallidus of China (according to de Schauensee: Birds of China). Therefore, I have emphasized which characters point to P. x. xanthochlorus (1) and which to P. x. pallidus (2).

Head (including crown), breast and belly seemed uniform grey (2), and the vent very pale grey. Wings and back on male olive-green (1), darker on wingtips. Female had much darker olive-grey wings and back (1). Tail was dark grey with yellowish outer tail feathers. On the flanks (along the closed wing) was a longish patch of yellow shade (2). The eye was conspicuously large and very deep black. No eye-ring (1). Bill and legs grey. Apart from wings and back the two birds were alike. Both birds were very busy building a nest on a thin branch of a conifer, 3-4 metres above ground. The nest consisted of lichens, mixed with long, threadlike roots of an unknown plant, growing on a nearby rock. The shape of the nest was pouch-like, and somewhat broader at the bottom. The birds entered the nest from the top, but the entrance could not be seen.

Hoary Barwing Actinodura nipalensis

2 Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4. 2 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 1 Phele (K) 26/4.

Bluewinged Minla Minla cyanouroptera

5 Nagarjung 12/3.

Chestnuttailed Minla Minla strigula

5-6 Nagarjung 12/3. 7-8 Tolka (A) 23/3. 2 Dinchire - Chowki (M) 17/4. 10-15 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. >20 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 2 Phele (K) 3/5. 1 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 5/5. 2 DL 9/5.

Redtailed Minla Minla ignotincta

1 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 4 Gyapla - Phele (K) 26/4. 1 Phele (K) 4/5. 2 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 7/5.

Goldenbreasted Fulvetta Alcippe chrysotis

1 (in bamboo) Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 5/5.

Chestnutheaded Fulvetta Alcippe castaneiceps



2 Dinchire - Chowki (M) 17/4. 1 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 4 (one carrying nesting material) Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4.

Whitebrowed Fulvetta Alcippe vinipectus

c.10 Dinchire - Chowki (M) 17/4. 1 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 2-3 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 2 Phele (K) 26/4. 1 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5. 2 DH 10/5.

Blackcapped Sibia Heterophasia capistrata

common Dhampus - New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 22-23/3. common New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 4-5 daily Chomrong (A) 25-27/3. very common Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. common New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Dhampus (A) 30-31/3. common Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. 15-20 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 4-5 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. c.10 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 5-6 Gyapla - Phele (K) 26/4. 3-4 Ghunsa - Phele (K) 3/5. c.20 Phele - Amjilassa (K) 5/5. c.10 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5. c.15 Gyapla - Sekathum (K) 7/5. 2 DL 8/5. c.10 DL 9/5. c.25 DG 11/5. c.15 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 10-15 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 2 Yasin (KK) 14/5.

Whiskered Yuhina Yuhina flavicollis

2 Deorali (M) 19/4. 4-5 Sekathum (K) 24/4. 2-3 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 2 Phele (K) 26/4. 2 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6-7/5. 3 Amjilassa - Sekathum (K) 7/5. 5-6 DL 9/5. 5-6 DG 10/5.

Stripethroated Yuhina Yuhina gularis

5 Tolka (A) 23/3. 6-8 Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. 15-20 Gupha Pokhari - Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. 4-5 Gyapla - Phele (K) 26/4.

Rufousvented Yuhina Yuhina occipitalis

4-5 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 2-3 Chomrong - Jhinu (A) 29/3. 2-3 New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 30/3. c.20 Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. 1 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 4-5 Gupha Pokhari - Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. c.15 Phele (K) 3/5. c.15 Phele - Gyapla (K) 5/5.

Whitebellied Yuhina Yuhina zantholeuca

2 Mitlung - Sinwa (T) 22/4. 1 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6/5.

Redheaded Tit Aegithalos concinnus

2 Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. c.12 (3 flocks) DG 11/5. 5-6 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Yellowbrowed Tit Sylviparus modestus

1-2 DL 9/5.

Greycrested Tit Parus dichrous

1 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 4-5 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 1 Rambuk Kharka - Ghunsa (K) 3/5.

Rufousvented Black Tit Parus rubidiventris ssp. beavani

2-3 Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4. 2 Ghunsa (K) 26/4. 5-6 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 5-6 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 8-10 Rambuk Kharka - Phele (K) 3/5.

Coal Tit Parus ater

2 Phele (K) 3/5.

Great Tit Parus major

15-20 SA. 5-6 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 2 Dobhan (T) 21/4. 2-3 Mitlung - Sinwa (T) 22/4. 2 Khewang - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. 5-6 (adult feeding fledged young) Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. c.10 (two clutches of fledged young) Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Greenbacked Tit Parus monticolus

1 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 1 Chomrong (A) 27/3. c.10 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 2-3 Chomrong - Jhinu (A) 29/3. 4-5 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Pothana (A) 30/3. 2 Gupha Pokhari - Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. 4-5 Sekathum (K) 24/4. 5-6 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. c.10 (one with nesting material Phele) Gyapla - Ghunsa (K) 26/4. 5-6 Rambuk Kharka - Phele (K) 3/5. 5-6 Phele - Gyapla (K) 5/5. 2 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6-7/5. 2 Hellok (T) 8/5. 5-6 DL 9/5. 4-5 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. c.10 (a male feeding a female) Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. c.10 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 1 Yasin (KK) 14/5. 1 Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Blacklored Tit Parus xanthogenys

2 Nagarjung 12/3. 2 Pothana - Tolka, 1 Landruk (A) 23/3. 5-6 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 5-6 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 3-4 Mitlung - Sinwa (T) 22/4. c.10 (one with food in bill Chiruwa, one bringing food to nest hole in a dead Alnus nipalensis near Tapethok) Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 2 Sekathum (K) 24/4. 1 DG 11/5. 7-8 (a male feeding a female) Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 1 (carrying food) Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 3-4 Yasin - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. 4-5 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5.

Velvetfronted Nuthatch Sitta frontalis

1 SA. 1 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4.

Whitetailed Nuthatch Sitta himalayensis

2 Tolka (A) 23/3. 1 DL 9/5. 1 DG 10/5.

Chestnutbellied Nuthatch Sitta castanea

5-6 SA. 1 Khewang - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5.

Wallcreeper Tichodroma muraria

1 Amjilassa - Sekathum (K) 7/5.

Rustyflanked Treecreeper Certhia nipalensis

1 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4.

Purple Sunbird Nectarinia asiatica

3-4 SA. male + pair Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. male Mitlung (T) 22/4.

Greentailed Sunbird Aethopyga nipalensis

1 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 2 males Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4. 2 males + 1 female Gyapla (K) 25/4. 1 Phele (K) 26/4. c.10 Phele (K) 4-5/5. 3-4 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 6-7/5. 2 Sekathum (K) 7/5. 25-30 (one pair very excited because of my presence) DL 9/5. c.5 DH 10/5.

Blackthroated Sunbird Aethopyga saturata

3 males Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. male Yasin (KK) 14/5.

Crimson Sunbird Aethopyga siparaja

male Mitlung (T) 21/4. male Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dnaban (KK) 15/5.

Firetailed Sunbird Aethopyga ignicauda

2-3 males Phele (K) 26/4. pair Rambuk Kharka - Ghunsa (K) 3/5. 2 pairs Phele (K) 4-5/5.

Plain Flowerpecker Dicaeum concolor

2 Mitlung (T) 21/4.

Firebreasted Flowerpecker Dicaeum ignipectus

2-3 Tolka (A) 23/3. c.10 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 3-4 Jhinu (A) 29/3. male Sekathum - Hellok (T) 8/5. 7-8 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 5-6 Yasin (KK) 14/5.

Oriental White-eye Zosterops palpebrosa

4-5 SA. 5-6 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 1 Khewang - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. c.10 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 5-6 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Maroon Oriole Oriolus traillii  
pair New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 23/3. 5-6 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 2-3 Jhinu - New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 29/3. 1 Tolka (A) 30/3.

Blackhooded Oriole Oriolus xanthornus  
c.10 SA. 1 Tapethok - Sekathum (T) 23/4.

Eurasian Golden Oriole Oriolus oriolus  
c.50 SA. pair Yasin (KK) 13-14/5.

Blackheaded Shrike Lanius schach ssp. tricolor  
4-5 daily Chomrong (A) 25-27/3. 2 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3. 10-15 SA. 1 Gorjagaon (M) 20/4. 1 DG 11/5. 1 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 2 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 2 Yasin (KK) 14/5.

Rufousbacked Shrike Lanius schach ssp. erythronotus  
2 SA.

Greybacked Shrike Lanius tephronotus  
1 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 2-3 Gyapla (K) 25-26/4. 1 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 2 Kambachen (K) 2/5. 5-6 Gyapla (K) 5/5.

Asian Black Drongo Dicrurus macrocercus  
2 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. c.50 SA. 2 Gorjagaon (M) 19/4. 10-15 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 5-6 Dobhan (T) 21/4. 5-6 (one with nesting material Chiruwa) Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4.

Ashy Drongo Dicrurus leucophaeus  
1 SA. 1 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. 6-7 (a pair building nest) Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 2 pairs (one nest building) Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. c.10 Yasin - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. c.25 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 4-5 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Bronzed Drongo Dicrurus aeneus  
1 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 1 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4.

Haircrested Drongo Dicrurus hottentottus

c.10 SA. 5-6 Mitlung (T) 21-22/4.

Ashy Woodswallow Artamus fuscus

7 SA (very aggressive towards House Crow).

Yellowbilled Blue Magpie Urocissa flavirostris

2 Pothana, 2 Tolka (A) 23/3. 2 Chowki - Gupha Pokhari (M) 18/4. 10-12 Gupha Pokhari - Deorali (M) 19/4. 1 Gyapla (K) 25/4. 2 DH 9/5. 2-3 DG, 2 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5.

Redbilled Blue Magpie Urocissa erythrorhyncha

2 Nagarjung 12/3. 2 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 3 (one with nesting material) Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. 7-8 Mitlung - Sinwa (T) 22/4. 2 Yasin (KK) 13-14/5. 2 Tawa Khola (KK) 15/5. 3 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Rufous Treepie Dendrocitta vagabunda

15-20 SA. 1 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 1 Dobhan (T) 21/4.

Grey Treepie Dendrocitta formosae

1 Nagarjung 12/3. 1 Tolka (A) 23/3. 1 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 7-8 Mitlung (T) 21/4. 15-20 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 5-8 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 1 Sekathum (K) 8/5. 4-5 DG, 1 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. 1 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 1 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. 1 Yasin, 2 Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. 6-8 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. c.10 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Eurasian Nutcracker Nucifraga caryocatactes

1 Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4. 4-5 Deorali (M) 19/4. 7-8 Gyapla - Phele (K) 26/4. 1 Phele - Gyapla (K) 5/5.

Alpine Chough Pyrrhocorax graculus

30-40 Kambachen - Ramtang (K) 29/4. c.60 Ramtang (K) 30/4. 50-70 (eating berries of Hippophae rhamnoides) Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. c.100 Lhonak - Kambachen (K) 2/5.

Redbilled Chough Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax

c.100 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. c.50 Kambachen (K) 29/4. 2 Ramtang (K) 30/4. c.30 (eating berries of Hippophae rhamnoides) Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. c.10 Lhonak - Kambachen (K) 2/5. 2 Phele (K) 3/5.

House Crow Corvus splendens

c.10 SA.

Jungle Crow Corvus macrorhynchos

common Pokhara - Dhampus - New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 22-23/3 + 30-31/3. c.10 New Bridge (Modi Khola) - Chomrong (A) 24/3. 2-6 daily Chomrong (A) 25-27/3. common SA. (one on nest). several Basantpur - Chowki (M) 17/4. common Chowki - Gupha Pokhari - Gorjagaon (M) 18-19/4. 5-10 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. c.10 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. c.10 Mitlung - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 5-6 Chiruwa - Sekathum (T) 23/4. 4-5 Sekathum - Amjilassa (K) 24/4. 4-5 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4. 3-4 Gyapla - Ghunsa (K) 26/4. c.10 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. c.10 Rambuk Kharka - Kambachen (K) 28/4. 2 Kambachen - Ramtang (K) 29/4. 4-5 Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. 4-5 Lhonak - Kambachen (K) 2/5. 15-20 Kambachen - Phele (K) 3/5. 4-5 Phele - Amjilassa (K) 5-6/5. c.15 Gyapla - Sekathum (K) 7/5. c.10 Sekathum (K) - DL 8/5. 5-6 DL 9/5. c.30 DG 11/5. 4-5 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 4-5 Otama - Yasin (KK) 13/5. c.10 Yasin - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. c.20 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. c.10 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Common Raven Corvus corax

1 (chasing immature Golden Eagle) Lhonak (K) 1/5. 2 Lhonak (K) 2/5.

Spotwinged Stare Saroglossa spiloptera

2 pairs SA.

Greyheaded Starling Sturnus malabaricus

20-30 SA. 4-5 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 2 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Asian Pied Starling Sturnus contra

10-15 SA. several Birtamod 18/5.

Common Mynah Acridotheres tristis

common Dhampus - New Bridge (Modi Khola) (A) 22-23/3. 1 Chomrong (A) 28/3. c.10 Landruk - Dhampus (A) 30-31/3. common SA (seen at nest holes). common Basantpur (M) 17/4. c.10 Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. c.10 Dobhan - Mitlung (T) 21/4. c.10 Mitlung - Sinwa (T) 22/4. 4-5 DG, 4-5 Yamphudin - Guputar (KK) 11/5. 3 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. 15-20 Yasin - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5. c.25 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 15-20 Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Jungle Mynah Acridotheres fuscus

common SA (seen at nest holes). 2 Gorjagaon (M) 19/4.

House Sparrow Passer domesticus  
common Pokhara 31/3. common SA.

Cinnamon Sparrow Passer rutilans  
2-6 daily Chomrong (A) 25-27/3.

Tree Sparrow Passer montanus  
several Landruk (A) 23/3 + 30/3. common Pokhara 31/3. 5-6  
Gorjagaon - Dobhan (M) 20/4. 5-6 Hellok (T) 8/5. c.10 Khewang  
(KK) 14/5. 10-15 Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. c.10  
Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Common Crossbill Loxia curvirostra  
c.10 (feeding in Tsuga dumosa) DH 9/5.

Plain Mountain-Finch Leucosticte nemoricola  
c.20 Tolka (A) 30/3. c.10 Kambachen - Ramtang (K) 29/4.

Brandt's Mountain-Finch Leucosticte brandti  
30-40 Lhonak (K) 2/5.

Common Rosefinch Carpodacus erythrinus  
2 pairs Dinchire - Chowki (M) 17/4. pair Chowki - Gupha  
Pokhari (M) 18/4. pair Deorali (M) 19/4. male singing Phele  
(K) 26/4. male singing DG 11/5.

Beautiful Rosefinch Carpodacus pulcherrimus  
2 males Lhonak (K) 1-2/5.

Spotwinged Rosefinch Carpodacus rhodopeplus  
female Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3.

Scarlet Finch Haematospiza sipahi  
pair + male DL 9/5.

Redheaded Bullfinch Pyrrhula erythrocephala  
2 pairs Chomrong (A) 26/3. 5-6 Chomrong - Kuldi Ghar (A) 28/3.  
3-4 Deorali (M) 19/4. 4 Phele (K) 4/5.

Collared Grosbeak Mycerobas affinis  
1 female DH 10/5.

Whitewinged Grosbeak Mycerobas carnipes  
15-20 Ghunsa - Rambuk Kharka (K) 27/4. 5-6 Rambuk Kharka -  
Kambachen (K) 28/4. 1 Kambachen - Ramtang (K) 29/4. 3-4 Rambuk  
Kharka - Ghunsa (K) 3/5. 2 Phele - Gyapla (K) 5/5.

Little Bunting Emberiza pusilla  
1 Basantpur - Dinchire (M) 17/4.

Crested Bunting Melophus lathami  
2 males singing Gorjagaon (M) 19-20/4. male Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5. male Tawa Khola - Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. male singing Tirbeni Dhoban - Gopetar (KK) 16/5.

Observed mammals:

Assam Macaque Macaca assamensis  
c.10 (including several young) Sekathum - Amjilassa (K) 24/4.

Rhesus Macaque Macaca mulatta  
1 Birtamod 17/5.

Golden Jackal Canis aureus  
2 heard Chowki (M) 17/4. 2 heard Tirbeni Dhoban (KK) 15/5. 1 heard Gopetar (KK) 17/5.

Indian Muntjac Muntiacus muntjak  
1 heard DG 10-11/5. 1 heard Guputar (KK) 11/5.

Common Goral Nemorhaedus goral  
2 Amjilassa - Gyapla (K) 25/4.

Bharal Pseudois nayaur  
5 Ramtang (K) 30/4. 5+40+10+70+65 Ramtang - Lhonak (K) 1/5. 19 Lhonak - Ramtang (K) 2/5.

Hoarybellied Squirrel Callosciurus pygerythrus  
1 Sinwa - Chiruwa (T) 22/4. 1 Gyapla - Amjilassa (K) 5/5.

Himalayan Striped Squirrel Callosciurus macclellandi  
1 Guputar - Otama (KK) 12/5.

Orangebellied Squirrel Dremomys lokriah  
1 Khewang - Tawa Khola (KK) 14/5.

Royle's Pika Ochotona roylei  
1 Lhonak (K) 2/5. 2 Phele (K) 4/5.





2 BIRDS OF UNKNOWN SPECIES

FLYCATCHER OR CHAT-LIKE - FULVETTA?

OBSERVED BETWEEN PHEGE AND BYAPHA IN THE GHUNSA RIVER VALLEY, KATCHEN JUNGLE, NEPAL - 5TH MAY 1994

THE MAIN IMPRESSION WAS A FLYCATCHER, A LITTLE SMALLER THAN ORANGE-GORGETTED F. HEAD, BREAST AND BELLY SEEMED UNIFORM GREY, AND THE VENT VERY PALE GREY. WINGS <sup>AND BACK</sup> ON ONE BIRD (MALE?) WERE OLIVE-GREEN, DARKER ON WINGTIPS. THE OTHER BIRD HAD MUCH DARKER OLIVE-GREY WINGS AND BACK. TAIL WAS DARK GREY WITH YELLOWISH OUTER TAIL FEATHERS. ON THE FLANKS (ALONG THE CLOSED WING) WAS A LONGISH PATCH OF YELLOW SHADE. THE EYE WAS CONSPICUOUSLY LARGE (FLY-CATCHER EYE) AND VERY DEEP BLACK. BILL AND LEGS WERE GREY.

BOTH BIRDS WERE VERY BUSY BUILDING NEST, ON A BRANCH OF A CONIFER - 3-4 METERS ABOVE GROUND. THE NEST CONSISTED OF TWIGGERS MIXED WITH LONG TREADLIKE ROOTS OF AN UNKNOWN PLANT GROWING ON A NEARBY ROCK. THE SHAPE OF THE NEST WAS POUCH-LIKE, AND SOMEWHAT BROADER AT THE BOTTOM. THE BIRDS ENTERED THE NEST FROM THE TOP, BUT THE ENTRANCE