

# BIRDS OF SOUTH EAST NEPAL

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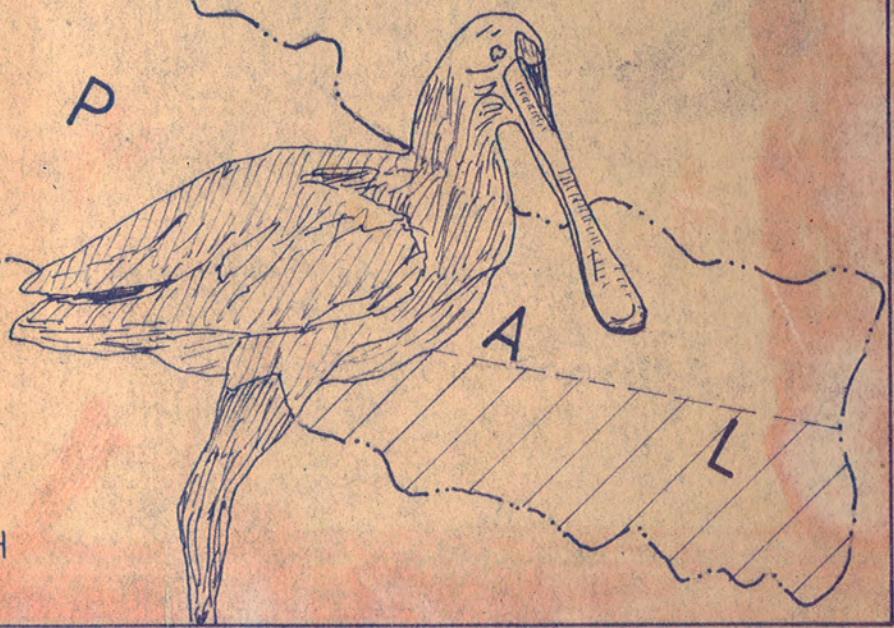
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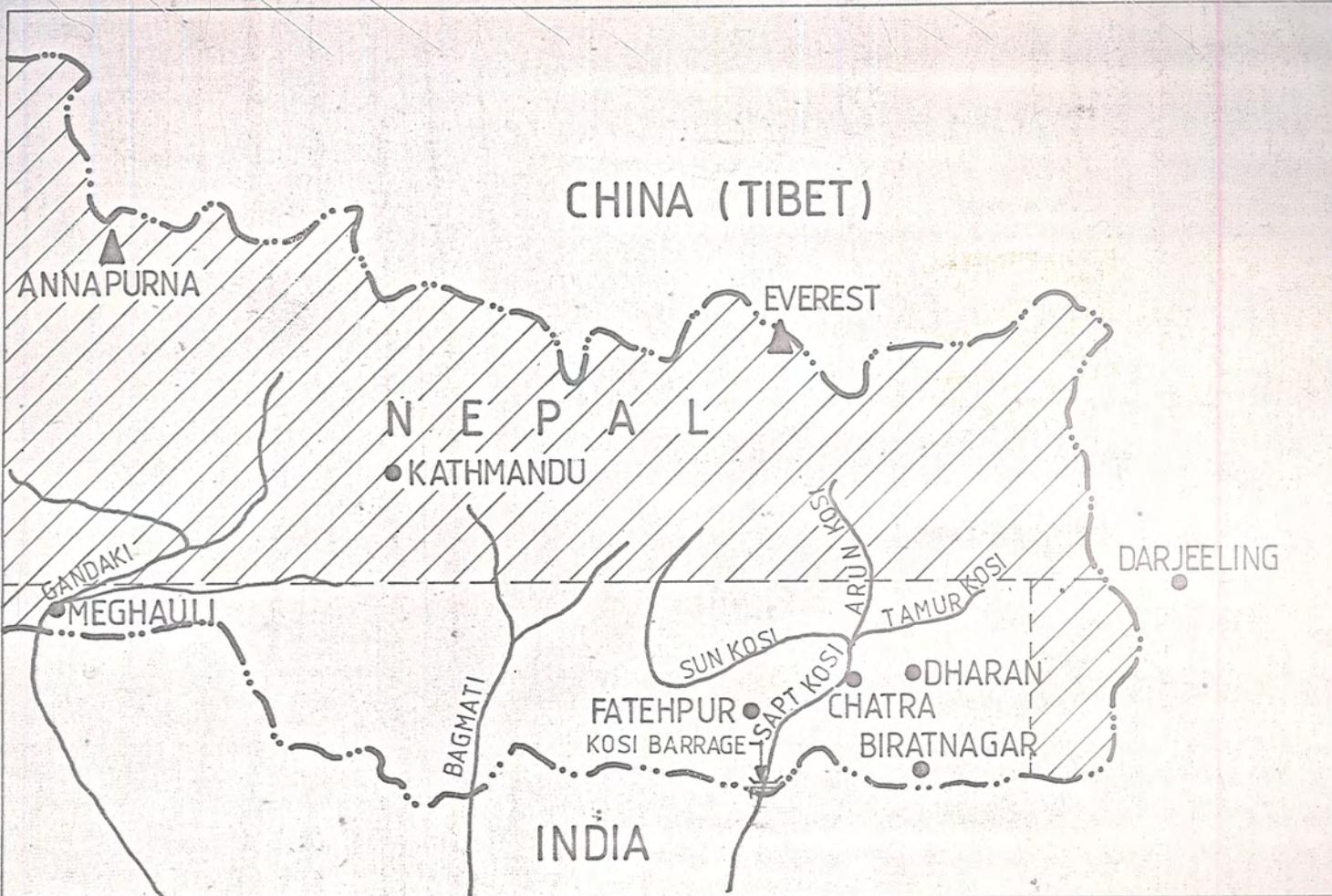
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This check-list is produced as the result of the observations during two years in the area by Richard Gregory-Smith and one year by Francis Batson. We are indebted also to other observers, particularly Robert L. Fleming (Sh) and (Jn) for their generous assistance and notes on species seen in the area.

The area covered by this list is bounded by the Himalayan foothills from exclusive of Ilam to the River Gandaki and by the Indian border. It consists of three distinct zones :- Terai plain, Terai forest and foothills.

The plain is the Northern limit of the great Gangetic Plain and is only a few metres above sea level. Here are occasional trees, mostly of the ficus family, mango groves and bamboo clumps, but in the main fertile agricultural land growing padi, jute and maize.

The Terai forest is a belt running parallel to the foothills and between them and the plain. It varies in width between 10 - 20 kilometres and consists mainly of sal and broad-leaved deciduous trees.

Above the forest the foothills rise from 200m to 2000m and thence in progressions interspersed with steep valleys to the snow peaks. The maximum height in the area under consideration is approximately 1800m. The foothills are sparsely forested. Cultivation is carried out wherever slopes and soil permit and maize, rice, millet and dhal are grown.

The year is divided into three seasons. The monsoon starts usually in mid-June and lasts until mid-October. This is followed by a cool season until the end of February, when it becomes progressively hotter until the monsoon breaks again.

The area is intersected by rivers draining the melting snows of the Himalayas and carrying the monsoon rains in season to the Ganges.

One of the largest of these rivers, the Sapt Kosi has been controlled by a great barrage, one kilometre across, regulating its flow to provide irrigation waters and to reduce flooding in Northern India. There are large wetland areas above the barrage, changing in composition with the season, but consisting of marshes, mudflats, sandbanks and shallow waters. Here is one of the finest areas in the world for ardeids, duck, geese, rails, waders and other water loving birds.

### Status Key

The serial numbers used in this checklist are those of "Handbook of the Birds of India and Pakistan". The symbols used to denote the status of the birds within the area are as follows :-

U	= Uncommon - up to 5 records.	LM	= Local Migrant
O	= Occasionally seen	PM	= Passage Migrant
C	= Common	S	= Summer visitor
R	= Resident	W	= Winter visitor

The remarks as to status relate to the area under study only.

We hope that this list will assist bird-watchers and ornithologists in the future and will be pleased to hear of any changes in the avian population of South-East Nepal.

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PODICIPITIDAE - Grebes

- 3 GREAT CRESTED GREBE (*Podiceps cristatus*) U, WV  
Party of four seen at Kosi Barrage 2 Mar 75
- 5 LITTLE GREBE (*Podiceps ruficollis*) O, R, PM  
Terai plain. Lakes, ponds, and calm waters.  
Large influx of 60 plus in April 76 en passage.

PELECANIDAE - Pelicans

- 20 WHITE PELICAN (*Pelecanus onocrotalus*) U, SV  
Terai plain. Large rivers. Monsoon visitor.
- 21 SPOTTED-BILLED PELICAN (*Pelecanus philippensis*) U, SV  
Terai plain. Large rivers. Monsoon visitor.

PHALACROCORIDAE - Cormorants

- 26 LARGE CORMORANT (*Phalacrocorax carbo*) C, LM  
Terai plain. Large flocks seen in winter months.
- 28 LITTLE CORMORANT (*Phalacrocorax niger*) C, LM  
Terai plain.
- 29 DARTER (*Anhinga rufa*) U  
One seen at Kosi Barrage 27 Apr 75

ARDEIDAE - Herons, Egrets, Bitterns

- 35/6 GREY HERON (*Ardea cinerea*) C, LM  
Terai plain. Common in winter months, but moves off to breeding sites during monsoon.
- 37 PURPLE HERON (*Ardea purpurea*) C, R, LMS  
Terai plain. Large influx during monsoon months.
- 42 POND HERON (*Ardeola grayii*) C, R  
Terai plain. Solitary.
- 44 CATTLE EGRET (*Bubulcus ibis*) C, R  
Terai plain. Usually seen in flocks.
- 46 GREAT EGRET (*Egretta alba*) C, R, LMS  
Terai plain. Solitary.
- 47 MEDIAN EGRET (*Egretta intermedia*) C, R  
Terai plain. Small flocks.
- 49 LITTLE EGRET (*Egretta garzetta*) C, R  
Terai plain. Flocks and individuals. Nests in colonies in trees and bamboos, often with Cattle Egrets.

52	NIGHT HERON ( <i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i> ) Terai plain. Dawn sightings only during monsoon months.	O,LMS
53	TIGER BITTERN ( <i>Gorsachius m. melanoleucus</i> ) One individual seen on two occasions in terai forest May 76 (RC G-S). First record in Nepal.	U
56	CHESTNUT BITTERN ( <i>Ixobrychus cinnamomeus</i> ) Terai plain. Considerable numbers present during monsoon.	O,LMS
57	YELLOW BITTERN ( <i>Ixobrychus sinensis</i> ) Terai plain. Considerable numbers present during monsoon. First record since 1846.	O,LMS
59	BITTERN ( <i>Buteo buteo</i> ) Terai plain.	U,W

#### CICONIIDAE - Storks

60	PALMIED STORK ( <i>Ibis leucocephalus</i> ) Terai plain.	O,LMS
61	OPENBILL STORK ( <i>Anastomus oscitans</i> ) Terai plain. Flocks of 30 or more seen frequently.	C,R
62	WHITE-NECKED STORK ( <i>Ciconia episcopus</i> ) Terai plain. Seen in small groups, often of four.	C,R,LMS
65	BLACK STORK ( <i>Ciconia nigra</i> ) Terai plain. Winter migrant from North.	U,W
66	BLACK-NECKED STORK ( <i>Xenorhynchus asiaticus</i> ) Terai plain.	O,R
67	ADJUTANT STORK ( <i>Leptoptilos dubius</i> ) Terai plain. Monsoon visitor from India.	O,LMS
68	LESSER ADJUTANT STORK ( <i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i> ) Terai plain. Nests Dec-Feb. Small colonies in high trees.	C,R

#### THRESKIORNITHIDAE - Ibises, Spoonbills

69	WHITE IBIS ( <i>Threskiornis melanocephala</i> ) Terai plain.	O,LMS
70	BLACK IBIS ( <i>Pseudibis papillosa</i> ) Terai plain.	C,R
72	SPOONBILL ( <i>Platalea leucorodia</i> ) Terai plain. Large numbers of up to 60 seen in March and April, probably en passage.	O,PM,W

ANATIDAE - Ducks

51	EASTERN GREYLAG GOOSE (Anser anser) River Kosi.	U, R
52	BAR-HEADED GOOSE (Anser indicus) River Kosi.	U, W
86	LITTLE WHISTLING TEAL (Dendrocygna javanica) Terai plain and forest edge. Large numbers, up to 600 at Kosi in Feb - Apr, but smaller numbers for rest of year.	C, L, W, R
90	MUDGY SHeldUCK (Tadorna ferruginea)	C, W
	Terai plain. Flocks of up to 400 on River Kosi in winter.	
93	PINTAIL (Anas acuta)	C, W
	Terai plain. Over 5,000 seen at a time in Kosi Barrage area in winter.	
94.	COMMON TEAL (Anas crecca)	C, W
	Terai plain. Up to 2,000 per day counted in months Feb - Apr at Kosi Barrage.	
97	SPOTBILL DUCK (Anas poecilorhyncha)	C, R
	Terai plain. Small groups seen throughout year.	
100	MALLARD (Anas platyrhynchos)	C, W
	Terai plain. Small groups seen in winter (Dec - Feb)	
101	GADWALL (Anas strepera)	C, W
	Terai plain. Up to 1,000 seen during winter (Nov - Mar)	
102	FALCATED TEAL (Anas falcata)	U, W
	Terai plain. Individuals with other species of duck (Mar - Apr)	
103	WIGEON (Anas penelope)	C, W
	Terai plain. Flocks of up to 100 seen in winter months.	
104	GARGANY (Anas querquedula)	C, W
	Terai plain. Flocks of up to 100 seen in Mar & Apr.	
105	SHOVELER (Anas clypeata)	C, W
	Terai plain. Flocks of up to 400 seen in winter (Dec - Apr).	
107	RED-CRESTED POCHARD (Netta rufina)	C, W
	Terai plain. Small numbers seen in Mar & Apr.	
108	COMMON POUCHARD (Aythya ferina)	C, W
	Terai plain. Small numbers seen Feb - Jun.	

109	WHITE-EYED POCHARD ( <i>Aythya nyroca</i> ) Terai plain. Flocks of up to 100 plus seen in winter (Dec - Mar)	O,W
111	TUFTED DUCK ( <i>Aythya fuligula</i> ) Terai plain. Flocks of up to 100 plus seen in winter (Dec - Apr) and small numbers during rest of year.	C,V,(R)
114	COTTON TEAL ( <i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i> ) Terai plain and occasionally forest pools. Small flocks of up to 35 seen mainly Apr - Aug.	O,LMS
115	NUCKA DUCK ( <i>Sarkidornis melanotos</i> ) Terai plain. Small flocks Feb - Mar.	O,W
121	EASTERN MEGANSER ( <i>Mergus merganser orientalis</i> ) Terai plain and foothills on River Kosi. Individuals and pairs occasionally seen Dec - Feb.	U,W
<u>ACCIPITRIDAE - Hawks, Eagles, Vultures</u>		
124	BLACK-SHOULDERED KITE ( <i>Elanus caeruleus</i> ) Terai plain. Individuals seen throughout seasons.	O,R
127/128	BLACK-CRESTED BAZA ( <i>Aviceda leuphotes</i> ) Two sightings, one of party of four, and one solitary in lightly wooded low foothills, 8 May and 7 Jun 76. (RC G-S)	U,R
133	COMMON RANTAH KITE ( <i>Milvus migrans</i> ) Individuals and groups of up to 20 seen regularly on Terai plain and foothills.	O,R
135	BRAHMINY KITE ( <i>Haliastur indus</i> ) Terai plain and foothills.	O,R
138	SHIKRA ( <i>Accipiter badius</i> ) Terai forest, plain and foothills.	O,R
144	CRESTED GOSHAWK ( <i>Accipiter trivirgatus</i> ) One sighted on Terai plain 11 Apr 75 (RLF)	U,R
147/148	SPARROWHAWK ( <i>Accipiter nisus</i> ) One sighted in foothills on Sangure Ridge (1500m) 29 Nov 75.	U,R,PM
156	BUZZARD ( <i>Buteo buteo</i> ) Not uncommon on Terai plain, forest and foothills (Nov - Feb)	O,W
157	WHITE-EYED BUZZARD ( <i>Butaster teesa</i> ) Terai plain. Solitary.	O,R
158	MOUNTAIN HAWK EAGLE ( <i>Spizaetus nipalensis</i> ) One sighted on Terai plain 11 Apr 75 (RLF)	U,R

164	BOOTED EAGLE ( <i>Hieraetus pennatus</i> ) One sighted on Terai plain 11 Apr 76 (RLF).	U
168	TAWNY EAGLE ( <i>Aquila rapax</i> ) Occasional sightings on Terai plain.	U,R
169	STEPPE EAGLE ( <i>Aquila nepalensis</i> ) Pairs and individuals seen mainly in foothills, but occasionally on Terai plain (Nov - Mar).	O,W
174	PALLAS'S FISH EAGLE ( <i>Haliaeetus leucoryphus</i> ) Kosi marshes. One sighted 19 Jun 76 (RC G-S).	U,LM
178	BLACK VULTURE ( <i>Torgos calvus</i> ) Terai plain. One sighting with 70 White-backed Vultures 19 Jun 76 (RC G-S).	U,R
179	CINEREOUS VULTURE ( <i>Aegypius monachus</i> ) Terai plain, forest and foothills.	U,W
180	GRIFFON VULTURE ( <i>Gyps fulvus</i> ) One sighting on Terai plain 11 Apr 75 (RLF)	U,R
184	LONG-BILLED VULTURE ( <i>Gyps indicus</i> ) Terai plain. Not uncommon but difficult to distinguish at distance from White-backed Vulture.	O,R
185	WHITE-BACKED VULTURE ( <i>Gyps bengalensis</i> ) Terai plains and foothills in parties of up to 150.	C,R
187	WHITE SCAVENGER VULTURE ( <i>Neophron percnopterus ginginianus</i> ) Terai plains and occasionally in foothills. Pairs or single birds.	C,R
189	HEN HARRIER ( <i>Circus cyaneus</i> ) Terai plain (Oct - Apr).	O,W
190	PALE HARRIER ( <i>Circus macrourus</i> ) One sighting on Terai plain Dec 74 (JFSB).	U,W
191	MONTAGU'S HARRIER ( <i>Circus pygargus</i> ) One sighting on Terai plain Jan 75 (RC G-S).	U,W
192	PIED HARRIER ( <i>Circus melanoleucus</i> ) Terai plain.	U,W,R
193	MARSH HARRIER ( <i>Circus aeruginosus</i> ) Terai plain. Plentiful in winter in Kosi marshes (Oct - Apr).	O,W
196	CRESTED SERPENT-EAGLE ( <i>Spilornis cheela</i> ) Seen, often in pairs, in Terai forest and foothills.	C,R

PANDIONIDAE - Ospreys

- 203 OSPREY (*Pandion haliaetus*) O,W  
Frequently sighted in area of Kosi Barrage  
(Oct - May).

FALCONIDAE - Falcons

- 204 HIMALAYAN RED-BREASTED FALCONET (*Mycohierax caerulescens*) O,R  
Terai forest and foothills. Rarely on plain.
- 208 LAGGAR FALCON (*Falco jugger*) U,R  
Terai plain. One sighting Dec 75.
- 209 PEREGRINE FALCON (*Falco peregrinus*) U,W  
Terai plain in Kosi Barrage area (Dec - Apr).
- 219 RED-HEADED MERLIN (*Falco chiquera*) U,R  
Kosi marshes.
- 222 KESTREL (*Falco tinnunculus*) O,W  
Terai plains and foothills to 2000m. (Dec - Feb).

PHASIANIDAE - Pheasants, Partridges

- 238 INDIAN BLACK PARTRIDGE (*Francolinus francolinus*) U,R  
One sighting in Chitwan forest 30 Mar 76 (RC G-S).
- 295 KALIJ PHEASANT (*Lophura leucomelana*) U,R  
Pair seen on Sangure Ridge (150cm) 17 Aug 76  
(RC G-S & RLF).
- 299 RED JUNGLE-FOWL (*Gallus gallus*) C,R  
Terai forest in parties of up to 10.
- 311 COMMON PEAFOWL (*Pavo cristatus*) O,R  
Terai forest and foothills. Plentiful in Chitwan Forest Reserve.

TURNICIDAE - Bustard-quails

- 314 YELLOW-LEGGED BUTTON QUAIL (*Turnix tanki*) U,R  
One sighted in foothills Jan 75 (JFSB).
- 316 BUSTARD-QUAIL (*Turnix suscitator*) U,R  
One rescued from Jungle Crow in foothills Apr 75  
(RC G-S).

RALLIDAE - Rails

- 337 BAILLON'S CRAKE (*Porzana pusilla*) U,PM?  
Kosi marshes.

339	RUDDY CRAKE ( <i>Amaurornis fuscus</i> ) Terai plain. One sighting 11 Apr 75 (RLF).	U,R
342	BROWN CRAKE ( <i>Amaurornis akool</i> ) Terai plain. One sighting at Meghauli Feb 75 (JFSB).	U,R
343	WHITE-BREASTED WATERHEN ( <i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i> ) Terai plain.	O,R
346	WATERCOCK ( <i>Gallicrex cinerea</i> ) Kosi marshes. First sighted in Nepal 15 Jun 75 (RC G-S & JFSB) (Jun - Sep).	O,LMS
347	MOORHEN ( <i>Gallinula chloropus</i> ) Terai plain. Pools and backwaters.	C,W,R
349	PURPLE GALLINULE ( <i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i> ) Terai plain. Marshes.	C,LM
350	COOT ( <i>Fulica atra</i> ) Two sighted on Terai plain 11 May 75 (JFSB).	U,(R)

JACANIDAE - Jacanas

358	PHEASANT-TAILED JACANA ( <i>Hydrophasianus chirurgas</i> ) Terai plain. Pools and backwaters.	C,LM
359	BRONZE-WINGED JACANA ( <i>Metopidius indicus</i> ) Terai plain. Pools and backwaters, particularly lotus pools.	C,LM

CHARADRIIIDAE - Plovers

366	RED-WATTLED LAPWING ( <i>Vanellus indicus</i> ) Terai plain and foothills.	C,R
369	SPUR-WINGED PLOVER ( <i>Vanellus spinosus</i> ) Terai plain and occasionally lower foothills.	C,R
370	YELLOW-WATTLED LAPWING ( <i>Vanellus malabaricus</i> ) Terai plain and lower foothills.	O,LM
373	EASTERN GOLDEN PLOVER ( <i>Pluvialis dominica</i> ) Terai plain (Feb - Apr).	C,W
380	LITTLE RINGED PLOVER ( <i>Charadrius dubius</i> ) Terai plain and foothills.	C,W,(R)
381	KENTISH PLOVER ( <i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i> ) Terai plain (Jan - Sep).	O,W

SCOLOPACIDAE - Sandpipers, Snipe

- 388 CURLEW (*Numenius arquata orientalis*) C,W,(R)  
Terai plain. Flocks of up to 50 during winter.  
(Sep - Apr). Single birds sighted 13 Jul 75 and  
10 Aug 75.
- 392 SPOTTED REDSHANK (*Tringa erythropus*) U,W  
Terai plain. 4 sighted Apr 75.
- 394 REDSHANK (*Tringa totanus*) O,W  
Terai plain (Jan - Apr)
- 396 GREENSHANK (*Tringa nebularia*) C,W,(R)  
Terai plain. Flocks of up to 20 - 30 during winter.  
Scattered individuals remain during summer.
- 397 GREEN SANDPIPER (*Tringa ochropus*) O,W,(R)  
Terai plain and foothill streams (Nov - Apr).  
Two sighted Jun 75.
- 398 WOOD SANDPIPER (*Tringa glareola*) O,W  
Terai plain and foothill streams (Dec - Apr).
- 401 COMMON SANDPIPER (*Tringa hypoleucos*) C,W  
Terai plain and occasionally foothills (Aug - May).
- 406 PINTAIL SNIPE (*Gallinago stenura*) U,W  
Kosi marshes (Feb - Apr).
- 409 COMMON SNIPE (*Gallinago gallinago*) O,W  
Terai plain (Jan - May)
- 416 LITTLE STINT (*Calidris minutus*) C,W  
Terai plain (Sep - May).
- 417 TEMMINCK'S STINT (*Calidris temminckii*) C,W  
Terai plain (Dec - Apr). Two sighted Aug 75.

RECURVIROSTRIDAE - Ibisbills, Avocets, Stilts

- 433 IBISBILL (*Ibidorhyncha struthersii*) U,R  
Foothill river and stream banks. Three sighted on  
River Arun Feb 75 (JFSB)

BURHINIDAE - Thick-knees

- 436 THICK-KNEE (*Burhinus oedicnemus*) O,R  
Terai plain grassland and forest edge.
- 437 GREAT THICK-KNEE (*Esacus recurvirostris*) C,R,LM  
Terai plain river banks. Increased population  
in winter months (Nov - Feb)

GLAREOLIDAE - Pratincoles

- 443 EASTERN COLLARED PRATINCOLE (*Glareola pratincola malvidarum*) C,LM  
Terai plain.
- 444 SMALL PRATINCOLE (*Glareola lactea*) C,LM  
Terai plain and foothills along rivers.

LARIDAE - Gulls, Terns

450	HERRING GULL ( <i>Larus argentatus</i> ) Seen occasionally at Kosi Barrage	U,W
453	GREAT BLACK-HEADED GULL ( <i>Larus ichthyaetus</i> ) Seen on rivers Kosi and Narayani in winter (Sep - May).	O,W
454	BROWN-HEADED GULL ( <i>Larus brunniocephalus</i> ) Terai plain near rivers.	C,W
455	BLACK-HEADED GULL ( <i>Larus ridibundus</i> ) Terai plain near rivers. (Nov - May)	C,W
456	SLENDER-BILLED GULL ( <i>Larus genei</i> ) One sighted at Kosi Barrage Feb 75 (JFSB)	U,W,Vagrant
458	WHISKERED TERN ( <i>Chlidonias hybrida</i> ) Occasionally seen at Kosi Barrage.	U,W
460	GULL-BILLED TERN ( <i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i> ) Terai plain on River Kosi.	O,W
462	CASPIAN TERN ( <i>Hydroprogne caspia</i> ) Small numbers during winter (Dec - Apr) along Terai plain rivers and even at a tank.	O,W
463	RIVER TERN ( <i>Sterna aurantia</i> ) Terai plain. Influx during monsoon when up to 50 may be seen in a day.	C,R
470	BLACK-BELLIED TERN ( <i>Sterna acuticauda</i> ) Terai plain and foothills along rivers. Rather less common than River Tern.	C,R
475	LITTLE TERN ( <i>Sterna albifrons</i> ) Seen at Kosi Barrage throughout year in fluctuating numbers.	C,LM

RYNCHOPIDAE - Skimmers

484	INDIAN SKIMMER ( <i>Rynchops albicollis</i> ) Kosi Barrage. Up to 17 seen in March. Occasionally seen Feb - Jul.	O,LM
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COLOMBIDAE - Pigeons, Doves

494	WEDGE-TAILED GREEN PIGEON ( <i>Treron sphenura</i> ) Terai forest. One sighted at Fatehpur 28 Sep 75.	U,R
495	THICK-BILLED GREEN PIGEON ( <i>Treron curvirostra</i> ) Terai forest.	O,R
501	ORANGE-BREASTED GREEN PIGEON ( <i>Treron bicincta</i> ) Terai forest. Four sighted Chitwan 30 Mar 76 (RC G-S)	U,R
503	COMMON GREEN PIGEON ( <i>Treron phoenicoptera</i> ) Foothills and Terai plain.	U,R
517	BLUE ROCK PIGEON ( <i>Columba livia</i> ) Foothills and Terai forest. Rocky cliffs.	O,LM,R

- 526 BAR-TAILED CUCKOO-DOVE (*Macropygia unchall*) U,R  
One sighted in foothills 28 Jun 75 (RC C-S)
- 532 ORIENTAL TURTLE-DOVE (*Streptopelia orientalis*) O,R  
Terai plain and foothills.
- 534 COLLARED DOVE (*Streptopelia decaocto*) C,R  
Terai plain and foothills.
- 535 RED TURTLE-DOVE (*Streptopelia tranquebarica*) O,R  
Terai plain, forest and foothills.
- 537 SPOTTED DOVE (*Streptopelia chinensis*) C,R  
Terai plain, forest and foothills.
- 542 EMERALD DOVE (*Chalcophaps indica*) O,R  
Terai forest and occasionally wooded foothills.

PSITTACIDAE - Parrots

- 545 LARGE INDIAN PARAKEET (*Psittacula eupatria*) C,R  
Terai plain, forest and foothills.
- 549 ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET (*Psittacula krameri*) C,R  
Terai plain, forest and foothills.
- 551 RED-BREASTED PARAKEET (*Psittacula alexandri*) C,LM  
Terai forest and foothills. Seen (Jan - Jun)  
in flocks of up to 100.
- 557 BLOSSOM-HEADED PARAKEET (*Psittacula cyanocephala*) C,R  
Terai forest, plain and foothills.

CUCULIDAE & Cuckoos, Malkohas

- 570 PIED CRESTED CUCKOO (*Clamator jacobinus*) O,S  
Foothills and Terai plain. Monsoon breeding visitor  
(Jun - Aug) believed to be from E. Africa where known  
to congregate pre-monsoon.
- 572 LARGE HAWK-CUCKOO (*Cuculus sparveroides*) U,S  
Foothills from 900m. Breeding visitor.
- 573 COMMON HAWK-CUCKOO (*Cuculus varius*) C,R  
Terai forest, plain and foothills up to 1000m.
- 576 INDIAN CUCKOO (*Cuculus micropterus*) C,R,S  
Foothills, Terai forest and plain. Calls during  
breeding season (Mar - Jun).
- 578 COMMON CUCKOO (*Cuculus canorus*) U,S  
Terai forest and foothills. Heard during breeding  
season (Mar - May).
- 584 PLAINTIVE CUCKOO (*Cacomantis merulinus*) U,LM  
Foothills and Terai plain. Recorded Apr - Aug.
- 590 KOEL (*Eudynamys scolopacea*) C,R  
Terai plain, forest and foothills. Very vocal  
Feb - May.

593	GREEN-BILLED MALKHA ( <i>Rhopodytes tristis</i> ) Foothills.	O,R
600	COUCAL ( <i>Centropus sinensis</i> ) Terai plain and occasionally forest.	C,R
605	LESSER COUCAL ( <i>Centropus bengalensis</i> ) Terai plain.	U,R
<u>STRIGIDAE - Owls</u>		
616	COMMON SCOPS OWL ( <i>Otos scops</i> ) Terai plain, forest and foothills.	O,R
631	BROWN FISH OWL ( <i>Bubo zeylonensis</i> ) One sighted on Terai plain 11 Apr 75 (RLF)	U,R
635	COLLARED PYGMY OWLET ( <i>Glaucidium brodiei</i> ) Foothills. Not seen below 1500m.	U,R
636	BARRED JUNGLE OWLET ( <i>Glaucidium radiatum</i> ) Terai forest and wooded foothills.	C,R
642	BROWN HAWK-OWL ( <i>Ninox scutulata</i> ) One sighted on Terai plain 11 Apr 75 (RLF)	U,R
652	SPOTTED OWLET ( <i>Athene brama</i> ) Foothills, and occasionally Terai plain or forest.	C,R
<u>CAPRIMULGIDAE - Nightjars</u>		
675	LONG-TAILED NIGHTJAR ( <i>Caprimulgus macrurus</i> ) Terai forest and occasionally plain. Crepuscular.	O,R
680	INDIAN NIGHTJAR ( <i>Caprimulgus asiaticus</i> ) One sighted in Kings Hunting Lodge, Sunderbans 8 Feb 75 (RC G-S)	U,R
<u>APODIDAE - Swifts, Swiftlets</u>		
683	HIMALAYAN SWIFTLET ( <i>Collocalia brevirostris</i> ) One sighted on Terai plain at Dubi 29 Jun 75.	U,R
694	ALPINE SWIFT ( <i>Apus melba</i> ) Foothills and Terai plain. Seen up to 1500m	O,LM
700	LARGE WHITE-RUMPED SWIFT ( <i>Apus pacificus</i> ) Foothills. Sighted above Phusre at 2500' on 18 Aug 76 (RC G-S & RLF).	O,R
703	HOUSE SWIFT ( <i>Apus affinis</i> ) Foothills; occasionally Terai plain and forest.	C,R
707	PALM SWIFT ( <i>Cypsiurus parvus</i> ) Foothills and Terai plain.	U,R

HEMIPROCNIDAE - Tree swifts

- 709 CRESTED TREE SWIFT (*Hemiprocne coronata*) C,R  
Wooded foothills and Terai forest.

TROGONIDAE - Trogons

- 713 RED-HEADED TROGON (*Harpactes erythrocephalus*) U,R  
Terai forest, Fatehpur.

ALCEDINIDAE - Kingfishers

- 719 PIED KINGFISHER (*Ceryle rudis*) C,R  
Terai plain and along foothill rivers.

- 723 COMMON KINGFISHER (*Alcedo atthis*) O,W  
Terai plain and foothills.

- 725 BLUE-EARED KINGFISHER (*Alcedo meninting*) U,R  
Two sighted in Terai forest 11 Apr 75 (RLF)

- 730 STORK-BILLED KINGFISHER (*Pelargopsis capensis*) U,R  
Terai plain.

- 735 WHITE-BREASTED KINGFISHER (*Halcyon smyrnensis*) C,R,(LMS)  
Terai plain, forest and lower foothills.

MEROPIDAE - Bee-eaters

- 744 CHESTNUT-HEADED BEE-EATER (*Merops leschenaulti*) C,R,LM  
Foothills, Terai forest and plain.

- 748 BLUE-TAILED BEE-EATER (*Merops philippinus*) O,S  
Terai plain and forest (Apr - Sep)

- 750 GREEN BEE-EATER (*Merops orientalis*) C,R,LM  
Foothills, Terai plain and forest.

- 753 BLUE-BELLIED BEE-EATER (*Nyctyornis athertoni*) U,LM  
One sighted Munjan Cantonment Dec 75 (Foothills)

CORACIIDAE - Rollers

- 755/7 INDIAN ROLLER (*Coracias benghalensis*) C,R  
Terai foothills and plain, occasionally forest.  
Benghalensis East of Kosi and Affinis West.

- 758 BROAD-BILLED ROLLER (*Corystomus orientalis*) O,R  
One sighted on plain 11 Apr 75 (RLF)

UPUPIDAE - Hoopoes

- 763 HOOPOE (*Upupa epops*) C,R,PM  
Foothills, Terai plain and occasionally forest.  
Up to 15 per day seen in October when en passage.

BUCEROTIDAE - Hornbills

- 767 GREY HORNBILL (*Tockus birostris*) U,R  
Terai forest and foothills.
- 774 INDIAN PIED HORNBILL (*Anthracocerus malabaricus*) O,R  
Terai forest.
- 776 GREAT PIED HORNBILL (*Buceros bicornis*) U,R  
One sighted in Chitwan forest Feb 75 (JFSB)

CAPITONIDAE - Barbets

- 777/8 GREAT BARBET (*Megalaima virens*) O,R  
Wooded foothills, seen up to 1500m.
- 780 GREEN BARBET (*Megalaima zeylanica*) O,R  
Terai forest, plain and foothills.
- 783/4 LINEATED BARBET (*Megalaima lineata*) C,R  
Terai forest.
- 788 BLUE-THROATED BARBET (*Megalaima asiatica*) C,R  
Terai forest and foothills up to 1500<sup>+</sup>m.
- 789 BLUE-EARED BARBET (*Megalaima australis*) U,R  
One sighted in Terai forest 11 Apr 75 (RLF)
- 792 COPPERSMITH BARBET (*Megalaima haemocephala*) C,R  
Foothills and Terai forest.

PICIDAE - Woodpeckers

- 796 WRYNECK (*Jynx torquilla*) O,PM,W  
Present at Kosi Barrage in marshes Feb - Apr.
- 803 RUFOUS WOODPECKER (*Micropternus brachyurus*) U,R  
Terai forest. Sometimes seen in bird waves.
- 809/10 BLACK-NAPED GREEN WOODPECKER (*Picus canus*) O,R  
Terai forest and wooded foothills to 1500m.  
Sometimes seen in bird waves.
- 813 LARGE YELLOW-NAPED GREEN WOODPECKER (*Picus flavinucha*) U,R  
Terai forest.
- 815 SMALL YELLOW-NAPED GREEN WOODPECKER (*Picus chlorophous*) O,R  
Terai forest.
- 819 GOLDEN-BACKED WOODPECKER (*Dinopium benghalense*) O,R  
Terai forest.
- 824 HIMALAYAN GOLDEN-BACKED THREE-TOED WOODPECKER (*Dinopium shorii*) U,R  
Two sighted in Aug 75 in Dharan Cantonment (foothills).
- 845 FULVOUS BREASTED PIED WOODPECKER (*Picoides macei*) O,R  
Terai forest.

847	YELLOW-FRONTED PYED WOODPECKER ( <i>Picoides mahrattensis</i> )	O,R
	Terai forest and foothills to 1500m.	
848/9	GREY-CROWNED PYGMY WOODPECKER ( <i>Picoides canicollis</i> )	C,R
	Terai forest. Sometimes seen in bird waves.	
851	BROWN-CROWNED PYGMY WOODPECKER ( <i>Picoides nanus</i> )	C,R
	Terai forest.	
861	GREATER GOLDEN-BACKED WOODPECKER ( <i>Chrysocolaptes lucidus</i> )	U,R
	Terai forest.	

PITTIDAE - Pittas

867	INDIAN PITTA ( <i>Pitta brachyura</i> )	U,PM
	Seen only in May in Terai forest and foothills.	
869	GREEN-BREASTED PITTA ( <i>Pitta sordida</i> )	U,PM
	One ringed Dharan Cantonment 2 May 76 (RC G-S).	

ALAUDIDAE - Larks

873	RUFOUS-WINGED BUSHLARK ( <i>Mirafra assamica</i> )	C,R
	Terai plain.	
878	BLACK-BELLIED FINCH-LARK ( <i>Eremopterix grisea</i> )	C,R
	Terai plain.	
891	INDIAN SAND LARK ( <i>Calandrella raytal</i> )	O,R
	Terai plain.	
907	INDIAN SKYLARK ( <i>Alauda gulgula</i> )	C,R,LM
	Terai plain and foothills (Nov - Apr).	

HIRUNDINIDAE - Swallows, Martins

912	PLAIN SAND MARTIN ( <i>Riparia paludicola</i> )	C,R,LM
	Terai plain. Breeding Jun - Sep.	
916/7	COMMON SWALLOW ( <i>Hirundo rustica</i> )	C,R,S
	Terai plain, occasionally forest and foothills up to 1300m.	
925/7	RED-RUMPED SWALLOW ( <i>Hirundo daurica</i> )	O,R,LM
	Terai plain in winter and foothills up to 1500m during hot season.	
922	INDIAN CLIFF SWALLOW ( <i>Hirundo fluvicola</i> )	U
	One sighted with 300 Common Swallows at Kosi Barrage 11 Apr 75 (RLF).	
932	NEPAL HOUSE MARTIN ( <i>Delichon nipalensis</i> )	U
	Foothills. One sighted at Phusre (600m) 18 Aug 75 (RC G-S).	

LANIIDAE - Shrikes

933	GREY SHRIKE ( <i>Lanius excubitor</i> ) Seen in foothills Dec - Apr and on Terai plain in Aug.	U, LM
940	BAY-BACKED SHRIKE ( <i>Lanius vittatus</i> ) Terai plain, forest and foothills (Dec - Apr).	O, W
945	GREY-BACKED SHRIKE ( <i>Lanius tephronotus</i> ) One sighted on electricity wire through Terai forest at 300m on 15 Aug 76 (RC G-S & RLF).	U, WV
946	RUFOUS-BACKED SHRIKE ( <i>Lanius schach</i> ) Terai forest, plain and foothills (Oct - Apr) with single birds seen Jun and Sep 75.	C, W
948	BLACK-HEADED SHRIKE ( <i>Lanius nigriceps</i> ) Terai plain (Aug - Mar).	O, W
949	BROWN SHRIKE ( <i>Lanius cristatus</i> ) Terai plain, forest and foothills.	C, W, & PM

ORIOLIDAE - Orioles

953	GOLDEN ORIOLE ( <i>Oriolus oriolus</i> ) Terai plain and foothills.	U, S
955	BLACK-NAPED ORIOLE ( <i>Oriolus chinensis</i> ) One photographed in foothills Mar 75 (JFSB)	U, W
958	BLACK-HEADED ORIOLE ( <i>Oriolus xanthornus</i> ) Foothills, Terai forest and occasionally plain. Sometimes seen in bird waves.	C, R

DICRURIDAE - Drongos

962	BLACK DRONGO ( <i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i> ) Terai plain, occasionally forest, and foothills up to 1500m. Breeding May - Jun.	C, R
965	GREY DRONGO ( <i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i> ) Terai forest and foothills to 1500m. (Aug - Jan).	O, LM
967	WHITE-BELLIED DRONGO ( <i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i> ) Terai forest, occasionally foothills and plain (Nov - Feb). Sometimes seen in bird waves.	O, LM
970	CROW-BILLED DRONGO ( <i>Dicrurus unicolor</i> ) Terai plain and forest. Probably commoner than apparent as difficult to distinguish from Black Drongo at distance.	O
973	HAIR-CRESTED DRONGO ( <i>Dicrurus hottentottus</i> ) Terai forest and foothills (Jan - Apr).	O, LM
976	LARGE RAQUET-TAILED DRONGO ( <i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i> ) Terai forest and foothills.	O, R

ARTAMIDAE - Swallow-shrikes

- 982 ASHY SWALLOW-SHRIKE (*Artamus fuscus*)  
Foothills and Terai forest. Seen up to 1300m.

C,S

STURNIDAE - Mynas, Starlings

- 984 SPOT-WINGED STARLING (*Saragossa spiloptera*)  
Flocks of 30 - 50 sighted at Dharan Cantonment  
(Foothills) Mar and Jun bearing out theory of  
sub-Himalayan transmigration.
- 987 GREY-HEADED MYNA (*Sturnus malabaricus*)  
Foothills and Terai forest; occasionally seen  
on plain. Arboreal. Breeding May - Jun.
- 994 BRAHMINY MYNA (*Sturnus pagodarum*)  
Terai plain and occasionally forest. Breeding  
June. Nest in holes in trees.
- 997 COMMON STARLING (*Sturnus vulgaris*)  
Terai plain.
- 1002 PIED MYNA (*Sturnus contra*)  
Terai plain. Nests in bamboo groves and mango  
trees during monsoon.
- 1006 COMMON MYNA (*Acridotheres tristis*)  
Terai plain and foothills up to 1500m. Occasionally  
forest edge. Nests in holes in trees Apr - Jun.
- 1008 BANK MYNA (*Acridotheres ginginianus*)  
Terai plain. Nests in holes in river banks etc  
in colonies, May.
- 1009 JUNGLE MYNA (*Acridotheres fuscus*)  
Terai forest and occasionally on plain and in  
wooded foothills.
- 1015 HILL MYNA (GRACKLE) (*Gracula religiosa*)  
Wooded foothills and sometimes Terai forest.

O,PM

O,R,LN

O,R,LN

O,W

C,R

C,R

C,R,LN

C,R,LN

O,R,LN

CORVIDAE - Crows

- 1027 RED-BILLED BLUE MAGPIE (*Cissa erythroryncha*  
*occipitalis*)  
Three sighted at Mahasevalor 29 Mar 76 at  
Southern limit of range (RC G-S).
- 1032 INDIAN TREE-PIE (*Dendrocitta vagabunda*)  
Foothills, Terai forest and plain. Sometimes  
seen in bird waves.
- 1049 HOUSE CROW (*Corvus splendens*)  
Terai plain in vicinity of human habitations.

U,R

C,R

C,R

1054 or 1057	JUNGLE CROW ( <i>Corvus macrorhynchos</i> ) Foothills, Terai forest and plain. Often seen in loose flocks of up to 20 on plain.	C,R
<u>CAMPEPHAGIDAE - Cuckoo-shrikes, Minivets</u>		
1064	BAR-WINGED FLYCATCHER-SHRIKE ( <i>Hemipus picatus</i> ) Terai forest and sometimes in wooded foothills. Often in bird waves.	C,R
1067	NEPAL WOOD-SHRIKE ( <i>Tephrodornis gularis</i> ) Terai forest and wooded foothills. Sometimes seen in bird waves.	O,R,LM
1070	INDIAN WOOD-SHRIKE ( <i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i> ) Terai forest. Sometimes seen in bird waves.	C,R,LM
1072/3	LARGE CUCKOO-SHRIKE ( <i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i> ) Terai forest and foothills up to 1800m.	C,R
1077	DARK GREY CUCKOO-SHRIKE ( <i>Coracina melaschistos</i> ) Terai forest and foothills up to 1500m.	O,R
1080	SCARLET MINIVET ( <i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i> ) Terai forest and wooded foothills. Seen in flocks of up to 24. Often seen in bird waves.	C,R
1084	SHORT-BILLED MINIVET ( <i>Pericrocotus brevirostris</i> ) Flock of 12 seen below Sangure Ridge (1300m) on 16 Aug 76 (RC G-S).	O,R
1085/6	LONG-TAILED MINIVET ( <i>Pericrocotus ethologus</i> ) Flocks seen on Sangure Ridge (1500m) 17 & 18 Aug 76 (RLF & RC G-S).	O,R
1089	ROSY MINIVET ( <i>Pericrocotus roseus</i> ) One sighted in Terai forest 11 Apr 75 (RLF).	U
1091 or 5	SMALL MINIVET ( <i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i> ) Terai forest and occasionally on plain.	O,R
<u>IRENIDAE - Ioras, Leafbirds</u>		
1098	COMMON IORA ( <i>Aegithina tiphia</i> ) Terai forest and occasionally wooded foothills. Common member of bird waves.	C,R
1103	GOLD-FRONTED CHLOROPSIS ( <i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i> ) Terai forest and wooded foothills. Seen in bird waves.	C,R
1106	ORANGE-BELLIED CHLOROPSIS ( <i>Chloropsis hardwickii</i> ) Wooded foothills at 1300m and above.	O,R
1107	BLUE-WINGED CHLOROPSIS ( <i>Chloropsis cochinchinensis</i> ) Terai forest. First record in Nepal.	U,R
1109	FAIREY BLUEBIRD ( <i>Irena puella</i> ) Terai forest near water. Very shy.	U,R

PYCNOTIDAE - Bulbuls

- 1115 BLACK-CRESTED YELLOW BULBUL (*Pyconotus melanicterus*) C,R  
Terai forest and wooded foothills.
- 1118 RED-WHISKERED BULBUL (*Pyconotus jocosus*) O,R  
Terai forest. Occurs very locally, often in large numbers.
- 1125 WHITE-CHEEKED BULBUL (*Pyconotus leucogenys*) C,R  
Foothills and Terai forest; occasionally on plain. Mainly seen above 350m extending to above 1500m.
- 1131 RED-VENTED BULBUL (*Pyconotus cafer*) C,R  
Foothills up to 350m with exceptions above. Occurs regularly in Terai forest and on plain in smaller numbers. Appears to intergrade with leucogenys. Breeds May, June.
- 1140 WHITE-THROATED BULBUL (*Criniger flaveolus*) U,R  
One sighted in Terai forest 11 Apr 75 (RLF).
- 1148 BLACK BULBUL (*Hypsipetes madagascariensis*) C,R  
Foothills and higher Terai forest. Commonly seen at 1500m.

TIMALIIDAE - Babblers

- 1153 SPOTTED BABBLER (*Pellorneum ruficeps*) O,R  
Terai forest.
- 1167 ABBOTT'S BABBLER (*Trichestes abbotti*) U,R  
One sighted in Terai forest Jan 75.
- 1181/3 RUSTY-CHEEKED SCIMITAR BABBLER (*Pomatorhinus erythrogenys*) O,R  
Foothills. Two pairs recorded on Sangure Ridge (1500m) 17 Aug 76 (RLF & RC G-S)
- 1211 BLACK-CHINNED BABBLER (*Stachyris pyrrhops*) O,R  
Foothills. Three recorded on Sangure Ridge (1500m) 17 Aug 76 (RLF).
- 1222 RUFOUS-BELLIED BABBLER (*Dumetia hyperythra*) U,R  
12 sighted in Terai forest Jan 75 (JFSB)
- 1228 YELLOW-BREASTED BABBLER (*Macronus gularis*) O,R  
Terai forest and wooded foothills. Sometimes seen in bird waves.
- 1256 STRIATED BABBLER (*Turdoides earlei*) C,R  
Terai plain in marshes and reed beds. Normally in small parties of up to a dozen.
- 1265 JUNGLE BABBLER (*Turdoides striatus*) C,R  
Terai forest. Occasionally seen in lower foothills and on plain. Occurs in small parties of up to 8.

1277	GREATER NECKLACED LAUGHING-THRUSH (Garrulax pectoralis)	O,R
	Terai forest. Seen in small elusive groups of up to 8.	
1283	WHITE-CRESTED LAUGHING THRUSH (Garrulax leucolophus)	O,R
	Foothills up to 1500m.	
1367/8	YELLOW-NAPED YUHINA (Yuhina flavicollis)	O,R
	Foothills. Two parties seen on Sangure Ridge (1500m) 17 Aug 76 (RLF & RC G-S).	
1374	BLACK-CHINNED YUHINA (Yuhina nigrimenta)	U,R/LM
	Party of 8 observed on Sangure Ridge (1500m) on 23 May 76 (RC G-S).	

MUSCICAPIDAE - Flycatchers

1407	BROWN FLYCATCHER (Muscicapa latirostris)	U
	Terai forest. One sighted on 14 Dec 75 (RC G-S).	
1412	RED-BREASTED FLYCATCHER (Muscicapa parva)	C,W
	Foothills and Terai forest from September to April. Breast not red during this period except in April.	
1414	ORANGE-GORGETTED FLYCATCHER (Muscicapa strophiata)	O,W
	Foothills November to January 350 - 1500m.	
1432	RUFous-BELLIED NILTAVA (Muscicapa sundara)	U,W
	Wooded foothills November to January.	
1436	BROOK'S FLYCATCHER (Muscicapa poliopteryx)	O,R
	Terai forest.	
1440	BLUE-THROATED FLYCATCHER (Muscicapa rubeculoides)	U
	One sighted in Terai forest 11 Apr 75 (RLF).	
1442	TICKELL'S BLUE FLYCATCHER (Muscicapa tickelliae)	O,W
	One sighted in foothills Apr 75 (JFSB)	
1445	VERDITER FLYCATCHER (Muscicapa thalassina)	O,W
	Terai forest and foothills November to March.	
1448	GREY-HEADED FLYCATCHER (Culicicapa ceylonensis)	C,LM
	Lower foothills and Terai forest, October to May; Sangure Ridge (1500m) in August.	
1455	WHITE-THROATED FANTAIL FLYCATCHER (Rhipidura albicollis)	O,R
	Terai forest, usually in pairs. Sometimes seen in bird waves.	
1460	PARADISE FLYCATCHER (Terpsiphone paradisi)	O,R
	Terai forest.	
1465	BLACK-NAPED BLUE FLYCATCHER (Hypothymis azurea)	O,R
	Terai forest. Occasionally seen on plain and in foothills. Normally occurs singly or in pairs.	

SYLVIIDAE - Warblers, Tailorbirds

1498	STREAKED FANTAIL WARBLER ( <i>Cisticola juncidis</i> ) Observed regularly on plain Mar - Oct.	C,S
1503	GREY-BREASTED PRINIA ( <i>Prinia hodgsonii</i> ) Terai forest and foothills.	C,R
1507	GREY-CAPPED PRINIA ( <i>Prinia cinereocapilla</i> ) Foothills. Sighted at 1300 & 1600m on 17 & 18 Aug 76 (RLF & RC G-S).	O,R
1508	STREAKED PRINIA ( <i>Prinia gracilis</i> ) Terai plain in reed beds.	O,R
1512	PLAIN PRINIA ( <i>Prinia subflava</i> ) Terai plain in reed beds, occasionally at forest edge, and in lower foothills.	O,R
1515	ASHY PRINIA ( <i>Prinia socialis</i> ) Terai plain, forest and foothills.	O,R
1519	JUNGLE PRINIA ( <i>Prinia sylvatica</i> ) Terai plain, in reed beds.	O,R
1523	YELLOW-BELLIED PRINIA ( <i>Prinia flaviventris</i> ) Terai plain in long grasses and reeds.	C,R
1527	BROWN HILL PRINIA ( <i>Prinia criniger</i> ) Locally common in foothills in grassy areas.	O,R
1536	COMMON TAILOR BIRD ( <i>Orthotomus sutorius</i> ) Foothills, Terai forest and plain.	C,R
1545	EASTERN GRASSHOPPER WARBLER ( <i>Locustella naevia straminea</i> ) One ringed at Kosi Barrage 11 Apr 76 (RC G-S).	U,W
1548	STRIATED MARSH WARBLER ( <i>Megalurus palustris</i> ) Terai plain.	O,W
1549	THICKBILLED WARBLER ( <i>Phragmaticola aedon</i> ) Foothills.	U,W
1550	GREAT REED WARBLER ( <i>Acrocephalus stentoreus</i> ) Terai plain April and May.	O,PM
1556	BLYTH'S REED WARBLER ( <i>Acrocephalus dumetorum</i> ) Foothills, Terai forest and plain Oct - May.	C,W
1558	PADDYFIELD WARBLER ( <i>Acrocephalus agricola</i> ) Four sighted in Kosi reed beds 12 Apr 75 (RLF).	U,W
1565	ORPHEAN WARBLER ( <i>Sylvia hortensis</i> ) One probable sighted in Dharan Cantonment 13 Jun 75 (RC G-S).	U,S
1570	LESSER WHITETHROAT ( <i>Sylvia curruca</i> ) One sighted in foothills at 700m 3 Aug 75 (RC G-S).	U,S
1575	CHIFF-CHAFF ( <i>Phylloscopus collybita</i> ) One ringed at Kosi Barrage 11 Feb 76 (RC G-S).	U,S

1582	SMOKY LEAF-WARBLER ( <i>Phylloscopus fuligiventer</i> ) One ringed at Kosi Barrage 2 May 76 (RC G-S).	U,W
1586	DUSKY LEAF-WARBLER ( <i>Phylloscopus fuscatus</i> ) Terai plain and foothills.	C,W
1592	YELLOW-BROWED WARBLER ( <i>Phylloscopus inornatus</i> ) Six sighted on Terai plain 12Apr 75 (RLF).	U,W
1615	BLACK-BROWED FLYCATCHER WARBLER ( <i>Seicercus burkii</i> ) Foothills above 1000m.	U,W
1621	CHESTNUT-HEADED FLYCATCHER WARBLER ( <i>Seicercus castaniceps</i> ) Four sighted in Terai forest 13 Jan 76 (RC G-S).	U
1622	YELLOW-BELLIED WARBLER ( <i>Abroscopus superciliaris</i> ) One sighted in foothills Aug 75 (JFSB).	U,R

TURDIDAE - Thrushes, Robins, Chats

1643	RUBYTHROAT ( <i>Erythacus calliope</i> ) Foothills.	U,W
1644	BLUETHROAT ( <i>Erythacus svecicus</i> ) Terai plain September - April.	C,W
1650	INDIAN BLUE ROBIN ( <i>Erythacus brunneus</i> ) One sighted in Dharan Cantonment Apr 75 (RC G-S).	U,PM
1661	MAGPIE ROBIN ( <i>Copsychus saularis</i> ) Foothills, Terai forest and plain, often in proximity of human habitations.	C,R
1667	WHITE-RUMPED SHAMA ( <i>Copsychus malabaricus</i> ) Foothills and Terai forest.	O,R
1672	BLACK REDSTART ( <i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i> ) Terai forest, plain and foothills,	O,W
1679	PLUMBEOUS REDSTART ( <i>Rhyacornis fuliginosus</i> ) Foothills along rivers and streams Nov - Jan.	C,W
1685	BLACK-BACKED FORKTAIL ( <i>Enicurus immaculatus</i> ) Foothill rivers and streams.	U,W
1688	SPOTTED FORKTAIL ( <i>Enicurus maculatus</i> ) Foothill rivers and streams.	U,W
1694	HODGSON'S BUSHCHAT ( <i>Saxicola insignis</i> ) Two sighted at Kosi E. bund 27 Apr 75	U,W
1695/7	STONECHAT ( <i>Saxicola torquata</i> ) Foothills and Terai plain Sep - Mar.	C,W
1699	WHITE-TAILED BUSHCHAT ( <i>Saxicola leucura</i> ) One pair sighted at Kosi E. bund 27 Apr 75.	U,R

1700	PIED BUSHCHAT ( <i>Saxicola caprata</i> ) Terai plain, usually perched at vantage points on wires, bushes, stones.	C,R
1704	JERDON'S BUSHCHAT ( <i>Saxicola jerdoni</i> ) One sighted at Kosi Barrage 19 Jun 76 with probable young bird (RC G-S). First record in Nepal.	U
1705	GREY BUSHCHAT ( <i>Saxicola ferrea</i> ) Foothills at 1500m.	O,W
1716	WHITE-CAPPED REDSTART ( <i>Chiamarrhornis leucocephalus</i> ) Foothills along rivers and streams Nov - Apr.	C,W
1723	BLUE-HEADED ROCK THRUSH ( <i>Monticola cinclorhyncha</i> ) Foothills.	U,S
1724	CHESTNUT-BELLIED ROCK THRUSH ( <i>Monticola rufiventris</i> ) Foothills.	U,W
1726	BLUE ROCK THRUSH ( <i>Monticola solitarius</i> ) Foothills and occasionally Terai forest Nov - Mar. Normally perches in prominent positions.	O,W
1729	WHISTLING THRUSH ( <i>Trochocercus caeruleus</i> ) Foothills.	U,W
1733	ORANGE-HEADED GROUND THRUSH ( <i>Zoothera citrina</i> ) Foothills and Terai forest Apr - Sep. Breeds May - June.	O,S
1739	PLAIN BACKED THRUSH ( <i>Zoothera mollissima</i> ) One sighted in foothills Apr 75 (JFSB).	U,W
1741	SMALL-BILLED MOUNTAIN THRUSH ( <i>Zoothera dauma</i> ) Two sighted at Kings Hunting Lodge, Sunderbans, 14 Dec 75 (RC G-S).	U,W
1748	TICELL'S THRUSH ( <i>Turdus unicolor</i> ) Two sighted in Dharan Cantonment Mar 76 (RC G-S).	U,PM
1750	GREY-WINGED BLACKBIRD ( <i>Turdus boulboul</i> ) Foothills February and March.	O,W
1763	BLACK-THROATED THRUSH ( <i>Turdus ruficollis atrogularis</i> ) Foothills February and March.	U,W

PARIDAE - Tits

1793	GREY TIT ( <i>Parus major</i> ) Terai forest and foothills. Sometimes seen in bird waves.	C,R
1809	YELLOW-CHEEKED TIT ( <i>Parus xanthogenys</i> ) Foothills from 600m upwards.	C,R
1818	RED-HEADED TIT ( <i>Aegithalos concinnus</i> ) Two sighted on Sangure Ridge (1300m) 2 Apr 76 (RC G-S).	U,LM

SITTIDAE - Nuthatches, Treecreepers

- 1827/28 CHESTNUT-BELLIED NUTHATCH (*Sitta castanea*) C,R  
Terai forest and foothills. Sometimes seen in bird waves.
- 1838 VELVET-FRONTED NUTHATCH (*Sitta frontalis*) C,R  
Terai forest, mango groves on plain, and foothills.  
Occasionally seen in bird waves.
- 1839 WALLCREEPER (*Tichodroma muraria*) U,W  
Foothills.

MOTACILLIDAE - Wagtails, Pipits

- 1852/3 INDIAN TREE PIPIT (*Anthus hodsoni*) C,W  
Foothills and occasionally Terai forest and plain,  
October to April.
- 1859 PADDYFIELD PIPIT (*Anthus novaeseelandiae*) C,R  
Terai plain.
- 1865 ROSY PIPIT (*Anthus roseatus*) O,W  
20 sighted on wet area of Terai plain 11 Apr 75  
(RLF).
- 1875/6/8 YELLOW WAGTAIL (*Motacilla flava*) O,W  
Terai plain and along streams and rivers in  
Terai forest and foothills Sep - May.
- 1883 YELLOW-HEADED WAGTAIL (*Motacilla citreola*) O,W  
Terai plain August to May.
- 1884 GREY WAGTAIL (*Motacilla caspica*) U,W  
Foothills, along rivers and streams Dec - Feb.
- 1885 WHITE WAGTAIL (*Motacilla alba*) C,W  
Very common on Terai plain and in foothills  
Sep - Apr.
- 1887 HODGSON'S PIED WAGTAIL (*Motacilla alta alboides*) O,W  
Terai plain and foothills near water Sep - Apr.
- 1891 LARGE PIED WAGTAIL (*Motacilla maderaspatensis*) O,R  
Terai plain and foothills along rivers and streams.

DICAEIDAE - Flowerpeckers

- 1899 TICKELL'S FLOWERPECKER (*Dicaeum erythrorhynchos*) O,R  
Foothills.

NECTARINIIDAE - Sunbirds, Spiderhunters

- 1906 RUBYCHEEK SUNBIRD (*Anthreptes singalensis*) U,R  
Terai forest.

1917	PURPLE SUNBIRD ( <i>Nectarinia asiatica</i> ) Terai forest and foothills.	C,R
1923	NEPAL YELLOWBACKED SUNBIRD ( <i>Aethopyga nipalensis</i> ) Two sighted on Sangure Ridge (1500m) 19 Nov 75.	U,W
1927	CRIMSON SUNBIRD ( <i>Aethopyga siparaja</i> ) Terai forest and foothills.	O,R
1930	FIRETAILED YELLOWBACKED SUNBIRD ( <i>Aethopyga ignicauda</i> ) Six sighted near Namse (1800m) 29 Nov 75.	O,R
1932	STREAKED SPIDERHUNTER ( <i>Arachnothera magna</i> ) Terai forest.	U,LMW

ZOSTEROPIDAE - White-eyes

1933	WHITE-EYE ( <i>Zosterops palpebrosa</i> ) Foothills and Terai forest.	O,LM
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PLOCEIDAE - Sparrows, Munias

1938	HOUSE SPARROW ( <i>Passer domesticus</i> ) Foothills and Terai plain around human habitations.	C,R
1957/9	BAYA WEAVER ( <i>Ploceus philippinus</i> ) Terai plain and lower foothills, breeds Jun - Sep.	C,R,LM
1961	BLACK-THROATED WEAVER ( <i>Ploceus benghalensis</i> ) Terai plain.	C,R,LM
1962	STREAKED WEAVER ( <i>Ploceus manyar</i> ) Terai plain. Breeds Jun - Aug.	C,R,LM
1964	RED AVADAVAT ( <i>Trilda amandava</i> ) Flock of 30 sighted on Kosi E. bund 2 Nov 75.	O,R
1966	WHITE-THROATED MUNIA ( <i>Lonchura malabarica</i> ) Terai plain.	O,R
1967	STRIATED MUNIA ( <i>Lonchura striata</i> ) One sighted on Terai plain 11 Apr 75 (RLF).	U,R
1974	SPOTTED MUNIA ( <i>Lonchura punctulata</i> ) Foothills and Terai plain. Breeding Jun - Nov.	O,R
1976	CHESTNUT MUNIA ( <i>Lonchura malacca</i> ) Terai plain April to September.	O,S

FRINGILLIDAE - Finches, Buntings

2011	COMMON ROSEFINCH ( <i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i> ) Foothills.	U,W
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- 2043 BLACK-HEADED BUNTING (*Emberiza melanocephala*) U,W  
Three seen on Terai plain Dec 75.
- 2046 YELLOW-BREASTED BUNTING (*Emberiza aureola*) C,W  
Terai plain in large flocks of up to 400  
November to April.
- 2056 LITTLE BUNTING (*Emberiza pusilla*) U,W  
One sighted on Terai plain 11 Apr 75 (RLF).
- 2060 CRESTED BUNTING (*Melophus lathami*) O,LMW  
Terai plain and foothills.

ADDITIONAL SPECIES

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ORIENTAL HOBBY (*Falco severus*)

One sighted over Kasi marshes 26 Sep 76 (RCG-5). U