

OBSERVATIONS FROM THE KATHMANDU-VALLEY, NEPAL. 9-11 6 18-21 FEBRUARY 1988
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Itinerary

1. Kathmandu. Arrival at Tribuvan Airport 12.30.
2. Kathmandu. Center of town and by foot to Swayambhunath.
3. Naubise west of Katmandu (stop en route to Narayangath) 09.30 - 10.15.
4. Gokarna Safari Park 09.45 - 13.15.
5. Flooded fields right southwest of Tribuvan Airport.
6. Fields around Manohara-bridge.
7. Godavari Botanical Garden 08.15 - 10.00.
8. Pulchowki 10.00 - sunset. A rather chilly day with clouds around the top. Birds were very active along the first 3-4 km of the road, but afterwards the forest literately seemed empty - probably an effect of decreasing temperature.

Comments:

Laggar Chasing pigeons over Durbar Square.

Painted Snipe A male followed by two pullus of less than half the size of the adult. Seen down to app. 50 m distance. My sketch form the notebook:



Strix sp Seen very briefly right above me in the streetlights at Durbar Square. My first thought was Barn Owl, but the underwing showed distinct dark mark at the carpal joint what exclude this species.

Brown Dipper A pair with a newly fledged juvenile.

Bank Mynah Rested shortly before they flew of again

Tibetan Serin A flock feeding in a stand of Alnus-trees.

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Species	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	9/2	10/2	11/2	19/2	19/2	19/2	20/2	20/2
Orange-flanked Bluetail							1	
Asian Magpie Robin		10	1				2	
Black Redstart								2
Hodgson's Redstart							2	
Plumbeous Redstart			3					
Blue Whistling Thrush							5	1
Scaly Thrush				4				
Black-throated Thrush							12	
Spotted Forktail							2	3
Chestnut-headed Tesia								1
Grey-bellied Tesia				1				
Grey-sided Bush Warbler								1
Common Tailorbird		3						
Golden-speckled Warbler				2				4
Chestnut-crowned Warbler								3
Grey-hooded Warbler				10			10	50
Black-faced Warbler								2
Orange-barred Leaf Warbler								5
Grey-faced Leaf Warbler							2	1
Pallas's Leaf Warbler				2			3	3
Yellow-browed Warbler							2	
Rufous-bellied Flycatcher				2				
Orange-gorgetted Flycatcher				1				1
Red-breasted Flycatcher		1					1	
Grey-headed Flycatcher							2	5
Yellow-bellied Fantail				2			1	
Rusty-cheeked Scimitar-Babbler								2
Streak-breasted Scimitar-Babbler								2
Black-chinned Babbler							2	4
Grey-throated Babbler								2
Striated Laughing-Thrush								6
Red-billed Leiothrix								20
Black-eared Shrike-Babbler								1
Chestnut-tailed Minla								2-3
Rufous-winged Fulvetta								12
Nepal Fulvetta								12
Black-capped Sibia								14
Whiskered Yuhina								2
Stripe-throated Yuhina								1
White-bellied Yuhina				2				1
Black-throated Tit							8	37
Green-backed Tit								2
Black-lored Tit				6			10	12
Velvet-fronted Nuthatch				2				
Chestnut-bellied Nuthatch				2			1	

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Greentailed Sunbird								3
Black-throated Sunbird								2
Fire-tailed Sunbird								4
Buff-bellied Flowerpecker				4			4	14
Oriental White-eye				6			2	15
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Oriole sp.								
Brown Shrike		1						
Black-headed Shrike			1		1	1		
Grey-backed Shrike				1				
Black Drongo		17	1		24	3		
								7
Bronzed Drongo							2	
Red-billed Blue Magpie							9	
Grey Treepie								
House Crow	++	++						
Jungle Crow	1	+					++	
Common Mynah	++	++	50					
Bank Mynah					2			
Jungle Mynah		11	5					
House Sparrow	++							
Eurasian Tree Sparrow		50+						
Tibetan Serin							20	
MAMMELS:								
Hoary-bellied Himalayan Squirrel								1

OBSERVATIONS EN ROUTE KATMANDU - CHITWAN AND VICE VERSA

11/2 Kathmandu - Muglin
 Cattle Egret 1, Long-legged Buzzard 1.

Muglin - Narayangath
 Black Kite 8, Oriental White-backed Vulture 1, Black-headed Shrike 1,
 Black Drongo 1.

18/2 Narayangath - Muglin
 Great Cormorant 3, Alpine Swift 7 - in social flights in front of rock-
 wall near Muglin, Plumbeous Redstart 1.

Muglin (short stop)
 Grey Treepie 2, Red-rumped Swallow 1.

Muglin - Kathmandu
 Cattle Egret 10, G-Cormorant 12, Common Kestrel 2, Crested Kingfisher 1,
 Crag Martin 1, Rufous Treepie 1.