A. WHEELDON list of birds and mammals observed in lowland nepal during 29th january - 11th february 1995

	Little Grebe Tachybaptus ruficollis	Noted only at Koshi where 50 proved to be the maximum daily count
	Great Crested Grebe Pocideps cristatus	Up to 15 could be seen at Koshi but none were seen elsewhere
X	Black-necked Grebe Podiceps nigricollis	Just 2 were noted at Koshi barrage on one day
	Great Cormorant Phalacrocorax carbo	Maximum counts were 60 at Koshi, 150 at Chitwan and 60 also at Bardia
	Little Cormorant Phalacrocorax niger	Up to 30 were recorded daily at Koshi with up to 20 at Bardia. None were recorded at Chitwan
	Darter Anhinga melanogaster	The maximum daily count proved to be 8 at both Koshi and Bardia with no more than 6 at Chitwan
	Spot-billed Pelican Pelecanus philippensis	Three birds seen on two occasions were welcome additions to the extensive Koshi Tappu list
×	Eurasian Bittern Botaurus stellaris	A singleton alternately lurked and paraded unashamedly out in the open in front of the Kosh Tappu Wildlife Camp
	Yellow Bittern Ixobrychus sinensis	One bird was noted along the edge of one of the lagoons at Koshi Tappu
	Cinnamon Bittern Ixobrychus cinnamomeus	Up to 3 birds including 2 together were recorded at Koshi and 2 were seen at Chitwan
	Black-crowned Night Heron Nycticorax nycticorax	Seen on three days at Koshi with a maximum count of 17 birds disturbed at a day-time roost.The only other sighting was of I at Chitwan
	Green-backed Heron Butorides striatus	1 - 2 seen on most days at Koshi, Chitwan and Bardia

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Lesser Adjutant Stork Leptoptilos javanicus	Up to 15 could be seen daily at Koshi with just singletons at Chitwan
Red-naped Ibis Pseudibis papillosa	Maximum totals of 30 were recorded at both Koshi and Bardia with just 2 at Chitwan
Oriental White IbisThreskiornis melanocephalus	Between 20 and 60 were seen at Koshi on most days
Eurasian Spoonbill Platalea leucorodia	During our stay at Koshi between 30 and 40 were in evidence
Lesser Whistling Duck Dendrocygna javanica	Noted only at Koshi where at least 2,000 could be seen and heard in the vicinity of the barrage,with sizeable flocks also on some of the lagoons
Bar-headed Goose Anser indicus	3 were gratefully received during our bird-laden inflatable raft trip at Koshi
Ruddy Shelduck Tadorna ferruginea	Maxima of 150 at Koshi, 20 at Chitwan and 40 at Bardia, all presumably completely free of suspicion
Comb Duck Sarkidiornis melanotos	2 were seen at Koshi on two dates and on the first had their lives somewhat disrupted by a very interested and persistent Laggar
Cotton Pygmy Goose Nettapus coromandelianus	17 seen on one occasion on one of the lagoons near to Koshi barrage
Eurasian Wigeon Anas penelope	No more than 25 noted at Koshi on any one day
Gadwall Anas strepera	40 represented the maximum count at Koshi
Common Teal Anas crecca	3,000 were in the vicinity of Koshi barrage with very small numbers on some of the lagoons
Mallard Anas platyrhynchos	At least 200 were near to the barrage at Koshi with small flocks along the river and on various lagoons
Spot-billed Duck Anas poecilorhyncha	Recorded only from Koshi where the maximum daily count was 10 birds
Northern Pintail Anas acuta	Koshi barrage played host to at least 5,000 with others present on several lagoons
Garganey Anas querquedula	8 were seen on one of the lagoons at Koshi

Northern Shoveler Anas clypeata	No more than 20 were noted at Koshi
Red-crested Pochard Netta rufina	At Koshi just 4 were recorded, the only other sighting being of a flock of 27 at Bardia
Common Pochard Aythya ferina	Between 8 and 12 were noted daily during our stay at Koshi
Ferruginous Duck Aythya nyroca	A maximum of 40 were observed at Koshi barrage with a handful on various lagoons
Tufted Duck Aythya fuligula	A count of 20 proved to be the maximum at Koshi
Common Goldeneye Bucephala clangula	One female lingers on, on one of the lagoons at Koshi
Goosander Mergus merganser	At Koshi 19 represented the highest daily count with up to 5 noted at Chitwan and then 60 were seen on one day at Bardia
Crested Honey Buzzard Pernis ptilorhyncus	Between 3 and 4 were noted daily at Chitwan often spectacularly raiding large bees nests, clinging to the combs with one wing fully extended. 3 were noted en route to Bardia where all sightings concerned single birds
Black-shouldered Kite Elanus caeruleus	Maximum daily counts were of 5 at Koshi, 3 at Chitwan with just one at Bardia
Black Kite Milvus migrans	Observed just about everywhere with a maximum of 60 at Koshi
Pallas's Fish Eagle Haliaeetus leucoryphus	l seen on just one occasion at Koshi
White-tailed Eagle Haliaeetus albicilla	2 adults performed well at Bardia, I flying past the breakfast table being dive-bombed by a brave Black-bellied Tern
Grey-headed Fishing Eagle Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus	1 at Chitwan and I at Bardia, the latter giving splendid views perched and in flight
Egyptian Vulture Neophron percnopterus	Recorded from Bardia where a maximum of 3 were noted with 3 also at Nepalganj airport
Oriental White-backed Vulture Gyps bengalensis	Seen at all localities other than Kathmandu Valley, with a maximum of 20 at Koshi and at least 60 at Nepanganj airport

Long-billed Vulture Gyps indicus	20 at Bardia proved to be the maximum count with up to 15 at Koshi and at Nepalganj airport and just 4 en route to Chitwan
Eurasian Griffon Vulture Gyps fulvus	Up to 20 were noted at Koshi with 3 - 4 at Bardia and at Nepalganj airport
Red-headed Vulture Sarcogyps calvus	Just I bird was seen near to Hetauda, during the long journey from Koshi Tappu to Gaida Wildlife Camp,Chitwan
Eurasian Black Vulture Aegypius monachus	A gathering of 25 at Koshi suggested a new collective noun of "A menace". Elsewhere just single birds were noted at Bardia
Short-toed Eagle Circaetus gallicus	At least 2 different birds were seen well at Koshi
Crested Serpent Eagle Spilornis cheela	I was observed en route to Chitwan with I - 3 there daily and up to 5 daily at Bardia
Eurasian Marsh Harrier Circus aeruginosus	Koshi sported at least 6 birds, Chitwan just l, two oddly plumaged birds at the former site provoking some interest
Hen Harrier Circus cyaneus	Several sightings, all of single birds, including some fine males, at Koshi, Chitwan and en route to and at Bardia
Montagu's Harrier Circus pygargus	A pristine male put in a prolonged appearance on two days at Chitwan
Pied Harrier Circus melanoleucus	2 superb males enhanced our inflatable raft trip at Koshi
Northern Goshawk Accipiter gentilis	1 was seen at Chitwan and then I perched bird gave excellent views en route to Bardia
Besra Accipiter virgatus	1 definitely identified on two days at Koshi
Northern Sparrowhawk Accipiter nisus	A singleton was noted at Koshi with 1 - 2 at Bardia
Crested Goshawk Accipiter trivirgatus	I perched with live prey gave incredible 'scope- filling views at Koshi during a very productive post-breakfast walk
Shikra Accipiter badius	Up to 5 at Koshi with between 1 and 3 at Chitwan and Bardia
White-eyed Buzzard Butastur teesa	Just 1 observed at Bardia
Common Buzzard Buteo buteo	Single birds recorded, on the outskirts of Kathmandu and at Biratnagar airport, respectively
Long-legged Buzzard Buteo rufinus	Singletons were seen on several days at Koshi, Chitwan and Bardia with 2 giving very close views against a cloudless blue sky at Nepalganj

Black Eagle Ictinaetus malayensis	2 on Phulchowki mountain and I on our day-long walk up into the Churia hills, Chitwan
Lesser Spotted Eagle Aquila pomarina	l en route to Bardia gave good prolonged views and proved to be the only sighting
Steppe Eagle Aquila rapax nipalensis	1 was noted outside Biratnagar airport and 1 - 2 were noted daily at both Koshi and at Chitwan
Imperial Eagle Aquila heliaca	1 adult was admired at Koshi
Booted Eagle Hieraaetus pennatus	The only record was of l 'scoped during the long journey from Koshi to Chitwan
Bonelli's Eagle Hieraaetus fasciatus	l performed well on one day at Bardia
Changeable Hawk-Eagle Spizaetus cirrhatus	l en route to Chitwan with 1 noted on two occasions at Bardia
Mountain Hawk-Eagle Spizaetus nipalensis	l on Phulchowki mountain and then l in the Churia hills Chitwan almost mirrored our Black Eagle sightings
Osprey Pandion haliaetus	At least 6 were seen at both Koshi and Bardia with a maximum of 2 at Chitwan
Red-thighed Falconet Microhierax caerulescens	l at Koshi caused some excitement and l at Chitwan and 3 just up from the Ibisbill locality near to Jemire had many admirers
Common Kestrel Falco tinnunculus	Between 1 and 3 at Koshi with singletons at Chitwan and Bardia
Laggar Falco jugger	I gave incredibly close views while persistently harrying two Comb Ducks at Koshi and then was studied at length whilst perched
Peregrine Falco peregrinus	Single birds seen on several days at both Koshi and Chitwan with a pair perched together en route to Bardia and I recorded there
Black Francolin Francolinus francolinus	2 at Koshi, 4 at Chitwan and 3 at Bardia all gave us excellent views as well as something of an ear- bashing
Swamp Francolin Francolinus gularis	Between 8 - 10 were seen and heard on each of three days at Koshi Tappu
Common Hill Partridge Arborophila torqueola	3 were seen on the lower slopes of Phulchowki
Red Junglefowl Gallus gallus	Between 6 and 15 were observed daily at Chitwan with up to 20 daily at Bardia
Kalij Pheasant Lophura leucomelana	1 male and 3 females were very welcome additions to the Churia hills day list

Blue Peafowl Pavo cristatus	Up to 20 a day were noted at both Chitwan and Bardia
Barred Buttonquail Turnix suscitator	1 male clearly forgot where he was as he wandered about right out in the open along the main track at Koshi
Ruddy-breasted Crake Porzana fusca	1 was seen on four days at Koshi Wildlife Camp and 3 were noted during a purple patch on the ox-bow at Chitwan
Brown Crake Amaurornis akool	1 or 2 birds were recorded at two different localities at Chitwan
White-breasted Waterhen Amaurornis phoenicurus	Up to 6 at Koshi with just l noted elsewhere - at Chitwan
Common Moorhen Gallinula chloropus	A maximum of 30 was noted at Koshi with no more than 10 at Chitwan on any one day
Purple Gallinule Porphyrio porphyrio	2 were noted on two days at Koshi and I on the ox-bow at Chitwan proved to be the only other record
Common Coot Fulica atra	Up to 20 at Koshi with just singletons at Chitwan
Pheasant-tailed Jacana Hydrophasianus chirurgus	At Koshi 3 on one day, then 9 the following day proved to be the only sightings
Bronze-winged Jacana Metopidius indicus	Following a single bird at Koshi, 12 were seen there the next day with 9 the day after
Painted Snipe Rostratula benghalensis	1 "bobbing" male on the ox-bow at Chitwan was one of the undoubted highlights there
Ibisbill Ibidorhyncha struthersii	10 of these wonderful charismatic birds were observed at length along the Rapti river some 22 kilometres beyond Hetauda,near to Jemire village
Northern Stone Curlew Burhinus oedicnemus	2 provided something of a surprise on two days at Bardia
Great Stone-Plover Esacus recurvirostris	12 strung out in a long line made an impressive sight at Koshi and 6 at Bardia were equally as well received
Little Pratincole Glareola lactea	After a miserly 4 at Chitwan a wheeling flock of at least 300 graced Bardia with many perched birds being very confiding
Little Ringed Plover Charadrius dubius	A daily maximum of 10 at Koshi with no more than 4 at Chitwan and 2 at Bardia
Long-billed Plover Charadrius placidus	5 of these excellent Plovers were at Hetauda and provided no small degree of consolation for the absence of Ibisbill there

Kentish Plover Charadrius alexandrinus	Up to 50 a day could be seen at Koshi and up to 8 at Chitwan
River Plover Hoplopterus duvaucelli	There were 4 at Hetauda, between 4 - 8 noted daily at Chitwan with a daily maximum of 12 at Bardia
Yellow-wattled Plover Hoplopterus malabaricus	Just 2 birds seen well at a "stake out" at Koshi
Red-wattled Plover Hoplopterus indicus	A maximum of 6 were recorded at Koshi, 3 - 4 at Chitwan and up to 8 at Bardia
Northern Lapwing Vanellus vanellus	A loose flock of 40 were near the barrage at Koshi
Little Stint Calidris minuta	A total of 10 on one day at Koshi constituted the sole record
Temminck's Stint Calidris temminckii	Up to 15 were observed at Koshi, up to 10 at Chitwan with no more than 5 noted at Bardia
Dunlin Calidris alpina	4 were noted on one day only at Koshi
Common Snipe Gallinago gallinago	I at Koshi and then 2 on the ox-bow at Chitwan the latter providing an excellent opportunity to compare this species and Pintail Snipe together
Pintail Snipe Gallinago stenura	Excellent very close views of 2 birds on the Chitwan ox-bow meant uncontroversial views for everyone
Eurasian Curlew Numenius arquata	40 were observed on just one day at Koshi
Common Redshank Tringa totanus	1 - 2 were seen at Chitwan with just I at Bardia
Common Greenshank Tringa nebularia	Between 8 - 30 seen daily at Koshi with a maximum of 8 at Chitwan and up to 15 at Bardia
Green Sandpiper Tringa ochropus	Up to 6 were recorded daily at Koshi, Chitwan and Bardia
Common Sandpiper Actitis hypoleucos	No more than 3 were seen on any one day at Koshi and Bardia but up to 8 were present each day at Chitwan
Great Black-headed Gull Larus ichthyaetus	At Koshi the maximum daily count was 15 with only 2 at Chitwan and 4 at Bardia. All but two were adults, some in sparkling summer plumage
Herring Gull Larus argentatus	One pink-legged individual at Bardia may have attracted more interest if Gangetic River Dolphins had not been showing off nearby
Caspian Tern Sterna caspia	Just one individual put in an appearance at Koshi

River Tern Sterna aurantia	Quite common at Koshi with up to 40 seen daily but no more than 10 noted at Bardia on any one day
Black-bellied Tern Sterna acuticauda	Up to 10 of these beautiful terns graced our river activities at Koshi and a maximum of 8 hawked the Karnali River at Bardia
Little Tern Sterna albifrons	Two birds noted on just one day at Koshi during our river trip
Rock Pigeon Columba livia	An abundant resident inhabiting towns and villages, most if not all being semi-feral interbreeding with domestic varieties
Eurasian Collared Dove Streptopelia decaocto	Common throughout the terai with daily counts of up to 30 birds being somewhat conservative
Red Turtle Dove Streptopelia tranquebarica	One sighting of two birds near to the ox-bow at Chitwan
Oriental Turtle Dove Streptopelia orientalis	After the first birds were noted outside Godaveri Botanical Gardens, double figures were recorded daily at Koshi with smaller numbers at Bardia
Spotted Dove Streptopelia chinensis	Abundant with very conservative daily counts often in excess of 20 birds
Emerald Dove Chalcophaps indica	This beautiful bird was recorded twice at Chitwan, with 8 and 3 respectively. At Bardia just I was seen on one day.
Yellow-footed Green Pigeon Treron phoenicoptera	Small flocks of between 7 and 20 were observed at Koshi, en route to Chitwan, at Chitwan and also at Bardia
Alexandrine Parakeet Psittacula eupatria	No more than 2 of this large parakeet put in a daily appearance at Koshi but up to 30 and 20 were noted at Chitwan and Bardia respectively
Ring-necked Parakeet Psittacula krameri	An abundant resident with counts of up to 300 daily
Blossom-headed Parakeet Psittacula cyanocephala	No more than 3 were recorded at Koshi with up to 10 daily at Chitwan and 15 daily at Bardia
Moustached Parakeet Psittacula alexandri	Between 2 - 4 noted daily at Chitwan
Common Hawk-Cuckoo Hierococcyx varius	1 - 2 seen at Koshi, Chitwan and Bardia
Common Koel Eudynamys scolopacea	One only, at Koshi Tappu
Green-billed Malkoha Phaenicophaeus tristis	One showed very well during our inspired Churia Hills hike at Chitwan

Greater Coucal Centropus sinensis	Daily counts of up to 10 were noted at Koshi with just 1 seen elsewhere - at Bardia
Lesser Coucal Centropus bengalensis	4 were recorded on one day at Koshi and the only other record involved I at Chitwan
Indian Scops Owl Otus bakkamoena	At Chitwan 2 were intently watched at their roost immediately after we had partaken of a more than ample lunch
Oriental Scops Owl Otus sunia	1 put in a brief appearance in front of the Dining Hall at Chitwan as daylight was fading and others advertised their presence there during the night
Brown Fish Owl Ketupa zeylonensis	At Koshi l of these impressive owls flew across in front of our jeep and then perched up close by
Jungle Owlet Glaucidium radiatum	Just 1 of these endearing little birds was noted at Koshi with up to 6 at Chitwan and 3 at Bardia.Others were heard (at Koshi) but not seen
Brown Hawk Owl Ninox scutulata	1 was something of an early morning fixture at Koshi Tappu Wildlife Camp and 1 also performed well on one evening at Chitwan
Spotted Little Owl Athene brama	Many sightings concerned birds on the outskirts of Kathmandu, in the grounds of the Hotel Himalaya, at Koshi Tappu, with up to 3 daily at Chitwan
Himalayan Swiftlet Collocalia brevirostris	3 were recorded at Koshi, with subsequent sightings of up to 30 at Chitwan and at least 50 over the Ibisbill location near to the village of Jemire.
Pacific Swift Apus pacificus	At least 50 flew over the 10 Ibisbills near to Jemire and a few were later seen at Bardia
Alpine Swift Apus melba	Two birds at Koshi were followed by 15 near to Jemire and a few en route to Bardia
Little Swift Apus affinis	A flock of 10 was noted as we travelled ever onwards towards Chitwan
Crested Tree Swift Hemiprocne coronata	During our journey to Chitwan at least 30 were seen, with up to 100 at Chitwan but no more than 10 on any one day at Bardia
Red-headed Trogon Harpactes erythrocephalus	Another highlight was a male and two females quietly going about their business in the Churia Hills, Chitwan
White-breasted Kingfisher Halcyon smyrnensis	Present at all localities with a daily maximum count of 25 at Koshi and 5 at both Chitwan and Bardia
Stork-billed Kingfisher Pelargopsis capensis	This raucous bird was observed each day at Koshi, 4 being the maximum, with a maximum of 4 also at Chitwan and 3 at Bardia
Common Kingfisher Alcedo atthis	Up to 20 could be seen each day at Koshi with up to 5 daily at Chitwan and Bardia

Pied Kingfisher Ceryle rudis	15 comprised the maximum daily count at Koshi whilst at both Chitwan and Bardia up to 6 could be seen daily
Crested Kingfisher Ceryle lugubris	Just 2 birds were recorded on one day at Bardia immediately before and during our action-packed river trip
Blue-bearded Bee-eater Nyctyornis athertoni	After a singleton put in a brief appearance at Phulchowki, two perched birds near to Jemire were gratefully received
Green Bee-eater Merops orientalis	Up to 27 of these jewels could be seen on any one day at Koshi with 20 noted daily at Chitwan but no more than 5 graced Bardia
Indian Roller Coracias benghalensis	Common, noted at each locality and during all of our journeys with a maximum of 40 between Koshi and Chitwan
Hoopoe Upupa epops	Only 1-2 observed at Koshi, 4 between Koshi and Chitwan and just singletons at Chitwan and Bardia
Indian Grey Hornbill Tockus birostris	Single birds were noted on two separate days at Bardia
Oriental Pied Hornbill Anthracoceros coronatus	What were presumed to be the same 3 birds were recorded at Chitwan on two separate occasions and 2 were seen on one occasion at Bardia
Great Barbet Megalaima virens (H)	Called monotonously for long periods on Phulchowki but chose not to put in even a single appearance
Brown-headed Barbet Megalaima zeylanica	The first bird was seen en route to Bardia then up to 10 could be seen there each day
Lineated Barbet Megalaima lineata	Between 3 and 6 recorded daily at Chitwan with 5 noted at Bardia
Blue-throated Barbet Megalaima asiatica	After 1 was heard calling (but not seen) at Koshi l that remained perched atop a tree near to Jemire was most welcome
Coppersmith Barbet Megalaima haemacephala	The only record concerned a single bird at Chitwan
Eurasian Wryneck Jynx torquilla	1 was recorded on two separate days at Koshi
Speckled Piculet Picumnus innominatus	One of these diminuitive arboreal creepers showed well on the lower slopes of Phulchowki
Lesser Yellow-naped Woodpecker Picus chlorolophus	Between 1 - 5 were observed at Chitwan with singles each day at Bardia
Greater Yellow-naped Woodpecker Picus flavinucha	1 - 2 birds were noted at Chitwan

Grey-headed Woodpecker Picus canus	Daily counts at Chitwan were of between 1 and 4 birds but no more than 2 were recorded at Bardia
Streak-throated Green Woodpecker Picus myrmecophoneus	l at Chitwan, then 4 on one day and l on another day at Bardia
Himalayan Golden-Backed Woodpecker Dinopium shorii	Between 2 and 5 were noted daily at Chitwan with 3 daily at Bardia
Lesser Golden-Backed Woodpecker Dinopium benghalense	Up to 3 at Koshi, 2 at Chitwan and 3 at Bardia
Greater Golden-Backed Woodpecker Chrysocolaptes lucidus	3 were seen on one day at Chitwan
Yellow-crowned Pied Woodpecker Dendrocopos mahrattensis	Singletons were observed on two days at Bardia
Fulvous-breasted Pied Woodpecker Dendrocopos macei	Seen on three occasions at Chitwan with a maximum of 10 birds there but only single birds at Bardia
Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker Dendrocopos canicapillus	Maximum daily count at Chitwan was 15 with 1 or 2 recorded daily at Bardia
Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker Dendrocopos moluccensis	At Bardia 2 were seen on one day, 3 the next day with a further 2 outside Tiger Tops Karnali Lodge there the following day
Bengal Bush Lark Mirafra assamica	Up to 3 were observed at Chitwan
Ashy-crowned Finch Lark Eremopterix grisea	In the Koshi area up to 5 were recorded with just l at Chitwan
Greater Short-toed Lark Calandrella brachydactyla	Flocks of at least 200 birds were observed on open stony and short grass areas near to Koshi Barrage
Sandlark Calandrella raytal	Maxima of 8 at both Koshi and Bardia with singletons at Chitwan
Crested Lark Galerida cristata	Just one seen, down to five metres, in company with several Sandlarks, on an island in the Koshi river
Oriental Skylark Alauda gulgula	12 performed well at Hetauda with l at Chitwan the next day

Brown-throated Sand Martin Riparia paludicola	A common resident in flocks of up to two hundred frequenting rivers and streams
Collared Sand Martin Riparia riparia	Two birds were "picked out" at Hetauda
Barn Swallow Hirundo rustica	A common resident first observed on the outskirts of Kathmandu on our journey to Phulchowki
Red-rumped Swallow Hirundo daurica	No more than 2 noted at Kathmandu and Koshi, then at least 300 seen between Koshi and Chitwan with up to 10 daily at Chitwan
Nepal House-Martin Delichon nipalensis	15 were recorded between Koshi and Chitwan
Richard's Pipit Anthus novaeseelandiae	3 were observed at Koshi and 2 on two separate days at Chitwan
Blyth's Pipit Anthus godlewskii	Two were intently studied at Hetauda
Tawny Pipit Anthus campestris	One bird gave excellent close and prolonged views at Koshi Tappu
Olive-backed Pipit Anthus hodgsoni	A common resident in open forests scrub and cultivation with scattered trees. Flocks of several hundred were seen at Bardia
Rosy Pipit Anthus roseatus	At Chitwan 5 were recorded on the day of our dug-out canoe trip with just 1 three days later
Yellow Wagtail Motacilla flava	A few were noted at Koshi
Citrine Wagtail Motacilla citreola	Daily counts of up to 10 were recorded at Koshi with a maximum of 5 on any one day at Chitwan
Grey Wagtail Motacilla cinerea	Between 1 and 2 were observed at Koshi, Chitwan and Bardia
White Wagtail Motacilla alba	A veritable array of plumages were on show at many different localities
White-browed Wagtail Motacilla maderaspatensis	Up to 8 could be seen each day at Chitwan with no more than 3 recorded at Bardia
Common Woodshrike Tephrodornis pondicerianus	2 were noted on two separate days at Chitwan
Large Woodshrike Tephrodornis gularis	At Bardia two days' sightings comprised 30 and 20 birds respectively

Bar-winged Flycatcher-Shrike Hemipus picatus	All sightings were of 1 - 2 birds on Phulchowki, at Chitwan and Bardia with the exception of 15 on one day at Chitwan and 4 one day at Bardia
Black-winged Cuckoo-shrike Coracina melaschistos	Singletons were noted on two days at both Koshi and Chitwan
Large Cuckoo-shrike Coracina novaehollandiae	Between 1 - 3 were noted daily at Koshi, with 2 each day at Chitwan and 2 on one day only at Bardia
Scarlet Minivet Pericrocotus flammeus	20 proved to be the maximum count at Chitwan with up to 8 birds daily at Bardia
Long-tailed Minivet Pericrocotus ethologus	5 were found in the forest oppositeTiger Tops Karnali lodge,Bardia on our last day
Small Minivet Pericrocotus cinnamomeus	15 were noted at Chitwan, I was picked up by Tika en route to Bardia and up to 15 could be seen there every day
Rosy Minivet Pericrocotus roseus	Two birds were recorded on two occasions at different localities at Koshi Tappu
Black-crested Bulbul Pycnonotus melanicterus	Just 2 were found on one day at Chitwan
Red-whiskered Bulbul Pycnonotus jocosus	Up to 20 at Koshi and up to 30 at both Chitwan and Bardia on any one day
White-cheeked Bulbul Pycnonotus leucogenys	At Chitwan ,one day produced a total of 18, the next day produced 8 and between 1 - 2 were noted daily at Bardia
White-throated Bulbul Criniger flaveolus	5 were seen on just one day at Chitwan
Red-vented Bulbul Pycnonotus cafer	A common resident and abundant in some areas
Mountain Bulbul Hypsipetes mcclellandii	Two were seen on the lower slopes of Phulchowki mountain
Ashy Bulbul Hypsipetes flavalus	Ten were recorded on just one day at Chitwan
Black Bulbul Hypsipetes madagascariensis	Several were seen around the lower slopes of Phulchowki mountain
Common Iora Aegithina tiphia	At Koshi Tappu, 1 - 3 birds were recorded daily, with between 6 - 10 at Chitwan and up to 20 daily at Bardia
Golden-fronted Leafbird Chloropsis aurifrons	2-3 of these beauties were noted daily at Chitwan and Bardia

Orange-bellied Leafbird Chloropsis hardwickii	Phulchowki mountain played host to 3 of these attractive birds, the only other sighting being of 4 at Chitwan
Northern Wren Troglodytes troglodytes	A handful of these familiar friends were seen and heard on Phulchowki
Rufous-breasted Accentor Prunella strophiata	One gave brief but confiding views along the road side on Phulchowki mountain
Siberian Rubythroat Luscinia calliope	One or two birds noted daily at Kosi Tappu including one male showing off out in the open and another which which presented a surreal image as it flew thirty or so metres directly at our moving vehicle
Bluethroat Luscinia svecica	Only recorded from Koshi with 5 on one day then 2 the following day
White-tailed Rubythroat Luscinia pectoralis	After close views of a female at Bardia, a resplendent male suddenly popped up from nowhere and showed off to his ecstatic Elephant- based fans there
Orange-flanked Bush-Robin Tarsiger cyanurus	At least six , including a sparkling male, graced Phulchowki mountain
Golden Bush-Robin Tarsiger chrysaeus	Two males and a female provided yet more heart- stopping moments on Phulchowki
Asian Magpie-Robin Copsychus saularsis	Between 2 - 6 were noted daily at and between various localities
White-rumped Sharma Copsychus malabaricus	At Chitwan up to 3 birds were present during each day of our stay and singletons were noted daily at Bardia; the majority were males
Black Redstart Pheonicurus ochruros	No more than 2 birds were seen at Koshi on any one day and just single birds were noted at Chitwan
Hodgson's Redstart Phoenicurus hodgsoni	A male and female were observed near to the Spotted Forktail site at the bottom of Phulchowki
Blue-fronted Redstart Phoenicurus frontalis	Three including two stunning males performed to a small admiring audience at Godaveri Botanical Gardens
Plumbeous Redstart Rhyacornis fuliginosus	First noted at Godaveri where 4 were present with 1 at the Ibisbill locality near Jemire and 4 at Bardia on one day
Common Stonechat Saxicola torquata	Seen at all localities with maxima being 15 at Koshi, 10 at Chitwan and 6 at Bardia
White-tailed Stonechat Saxicola leucura	Just 1 or 2 were noted at Koshi and Chitwan with a maximum of 10 at Bardia
Pied Bushchat Saxicola caprata	2 were recorded each day at Koshi, with up to 4 at Chitwan, 4 were seen en route to Bardia and 4 or 5 were seen there daily

Grey Bushchat Saxicola ferrea	Observed only at Bardia where I bird was followed by 4 the next day
White-capped Redstart Chaimarrornis leucocephalus	Just two records, I near the bottom of Phulchowki, then I at the Ibisbill spot near to Jemire
Indian Robin Saxicoloides fulicata	Single birds were noted at Koshi,and near to Hetauda
Blue Rock Thrush Monticola solitarius	1 at Koshi, followed by I at the Ibisbill locality proved to be the only sightings
Blue Whistling Thrush Myiophoneus caeruleus	2 were seen on Phulchowki with single birds at Chitwan and Bardia but several were noted during the journey from Chitwan to Bardia
Scaly Thrush Zoothera dauma	One observed turning over leaf litter at Chitwan caused our grey large-eared beast of burden suddenly to grind to a halt
White-collared Blackbird Turdus albocinctus	Several of these striking birds were noted on Phulchowki mountain
Grey-winged Blackbird Turdus boulboul	A few on Phulchowki, the only other record being of 1 at Koshi
Grey-headed Thrush Turdus rubrocanus	Several were seen on Phulchowki mountain
Dark-throated Thrush Turdus ruficollis	Quite common with daily counts of up to 20 at both Koshi and Chitwan
Black-backed Forktail Enicurus immaculatus	Three of these immaculate birds featured on our day hike up into the Churia Hills,Chitwan
Spotted Forktail Enicurus maculatus	One gave very brief views at the bottom of Phulchowki
Chestnut-crowned Bush Warbler Cettia major	Only 1 recorded - at Koshi
Aberrant Bush Warbler Cettia flavolivacea	A singleton, on one day only at Koshi
Grey-sided Bush Warbler Cettia brunnifrons	A few were noted on Phulchowki and I was found at Koshi
Graceful Prinia Prinia gracilis	l observed at Koshi
Plain Prinia Prinia inornata	l at Koshi was followed by 3 and then 6 on two consecutive days at Chitwan

Ashy Prinia Prinia socialis	Singletons were recorded at Chitwan and on two occasions at Bardia
Grey-breasted Prinia Prinia hodgsonii	Between 15 and 20 could be seen daily at Chitwan with daily counts of 30 at Bardia
Yellow-bellied Prinia Prinia flaviventris	Following 3 at Koshi between 2 and 4 featured each day at Bardia
Jungle Prinia Prinia sylvatica	One record involving 4 birds at Bardia
Grey-capped Prinia Prinia cinereocapilla	No more than 2 were noted at Chitwan whereas up to 8 could be seen at Bardia each day
Common Tailorbird Orthotomus sutorius	Between 2 and 6 were observed daily at Koshi, Chitwan and Bardia
Striated Marsh Warbler Megalurus palustris	4 birds were located at Koshi
Paddyfield Warbler Acrocephalus agricola	One was observed from the Pink Tower at Koshi Barrage
Blyth's Reed Warbler Acrocephalus dumetorum	Noted on two days at Koshi, with 2 and 3 birds respectively
Clamorous Reed Warbler Acrocephalus stentoreus	At Koshi singletons were recorded on two consecutive days
Thick-billed Warbler Acrocephalus aedon	Between 1 and 3 were enjoyed each day at Koshi
Golden-spectacled Warbler Seicerus burkii	Up to 4 of these small charmers put in a daily appearance at Koshi, with maxima of 3 at Chitwan and 2 at Bardia
Grey-hooded Warbler Seicerus xanthoschistos	At least 10 were found on Phulchowki mountain, the only other records being of 3 and then 2 on consecutive days at Bardia
Yellow-faced Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus cantator	One of these delightful sprites gave excellent views at Koshi Tappu, frequenting the lower storey of a narrow belt of remnant forest
Blyth's Crowned Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus reguloides	Following just 1 at Koshi up to 5 were present at Chitwan with between 10 and 15 daily at Bardia
Greenish Warbler Phylloscopus trochiloides	Very vocal at many localities with up to 20 daily at Koshi, 25 daily at Chitwan then just a total of 9 birds at Bardia
Orange-barred Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus pulcher	At least 30 were evident on Phulchowki mountain
	birds at Bardia

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Grey-faced Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus	10 were recorded on a single day at Chitwan, the
maculipennis	only other record being of a singleton at Bardia
Pallas's Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus proregulus	After 2 on the lower slopes of Phulchowki, the sole record at Koshi also involved 2 birds and 1 - 2 could be watched each day at Bardia
Yellow-browed Warbler Phylloscopus inornatus	At Koshi the maximum count was 20 but no more than 3 were seen on any one occasion at Chitwan and Bardia
Dusky Warbler Phylloscopus fuscatus	Between 3 and 12 were heard and seen daily at Koshi and just 1 put in an appearance at Chitwan
Smoky Warbler Phylloscopus fuligiventer	1 at Koshi was followed by at least 3 there the next day, the only other sighting being of a singleton at Chitwan
Tickell's Warbler Phylloscopus affinis	Only recorded from Koshi where numbers increased from I to 5 then 20,then decreased to 15
Chiffchaff Phylloscopus collybita	Up to eight grey birds were in evidence at Koshi with just singletons at Chitwan and Bardia
Small Niltava Niltava macgrigroriae	Just 2 were well-watched in Godaveri Botanical Gardens
Pale-chinned Flycatcher Cyornis poliogenys	1 was gratefully received early one morning perching on guy ropes at Gaida Tented Camp, Chitwan
Blue-throated Blue Flycatcher Cyornis rubeculoides	For two days I remained faithful to a few trees behind our living quarters at Gaida Wildlife Camp
Tickell's Blue Flycatcher Cyornis tickelliae	Two males seen on different days at Bardia provided a visual feast
Verditer Flycatcher Muscicapa thalassina	Between 1 and 2 were seen on several occasions at Koshi with just singletons at Chitwan
Slaty-blue Flycatcher Ficedula tricolor	A male was well watched at Koshi Tappu and a female performed well during a brief stop en route to Bardia
Slaty-backed Flycatcher Ficedula hodgsonii	Two showed off in the Botanical Gardens at Godaveri
Snowy-browed Flycatcher Ficedula hyperythra	2 were very obliging in Godaveri Botanical Gardens and a male seen during the long journey to Bardia helped to keep fatigue at bay
Orange-gorgetted Flycatcher Ficedula strophiata	A total of 5 were recorded on Phulchowki mountain and in Godaveri Botanical Gardens
Red-breasted Flycatcher Ficedula parva	Seen daily at all localities, maxima being 8 at Koshi, 10 at Chitwan with only singletons at Bardia

Grey-headed Flycatcher Culicicapa ceylonensis	Well represented at Koshi and Bardia with
	maximum daily counts being 10 and 12 respectively but just single birds at Chitwan
Yellow-bellied Fantail Rhipidura hypoxantha	At least 3 of these beautiful birds were in evidence at Bardia
White-throated Fantail Rhipidura albicollis	Up to 6 daily at Koshi with 1 - 2 at both Chitwan and Bardia
White-browed Fantail Rhipidura aureola	After I at Koshi the only other sighting was of 2 birds at Bardia
Asian Paradise Flycatcher Terspiphone paradisi	A female was seen briefly at Koshi
Puff-throated Babbler Pellorneum ruficeps	Two birds were seen on consecutive days at Chitwan
Rusty-cheeked Scimitar-Babbler Pomatorhinus erythrogenys (H)	Noisy and skulking to the point of being invisible on Phulchowki mountain
White-browed Scimitar-Babbler Pomatorhinus schisticeps	Just 2 were observed on Phulchowki mountain
Rufous-bellied Babbler Dumetia hyperythra	Recorded only at Bardia where a party of 5 vociferous birds added some variety to a somewhat mundane Prinia flock
Striped Tit-Babbler Macronous gularis	A party of 12 were watched at Bardia
Red-capped Babbler Timalia pileata	Up to 6 birds were recorded at both Chitwan and Bardia
Yellow-eyed Babbler Chrysomma sinense	A total of 4 were seen at Bardia
Striated Babbler Turdoides earlei	Koshi played host to between 15 and 20 each day while elsewhere just 1 was seen at Chitwan and 4 at Bardia
Jungle Babbler Turdoides striatus	Noted at Koshi, Chitwan and Bardia, numbers varying between 14 and 30 most days
White-throated Laughing-thrush Garrulax albogularis	A flock of 15 quickly but noisely moved through on the lower slopes of Phulchowki mountain
Lesser Necklaced Laughing-thrush Garrulax monileger	A mixed flock of 20 birds including 10 of the next species were watched in the Churia Hills and 15 were present around the Gaida Tented Camp,Chitwan, on one day

Greater Necklaced Laughing-thrush Garrulax pectoralis	10 were part of a flock studied with great interest during our day hike into the Churia Hills,Chitwan
Striated Laughing-thrush Garrulax striatus	3 of these slightly bizarre birds gave excellent views on Phulchowki mountain
Red-headed Laughing-thrush Garrulax erythrocephalus	At least 10 were noted on Phulchowki
Silver-eared Mesia Leiothrix argentauris	A vociferous flock comprising some thirty birds were recorded one morning at Bardia
Red-billed Leiothrix Leiothrix lutea	One gave brief but close views at the foot of Phulchowki mountain
White-browed Shrike-Babbler Pteruthius flaviscapis	l was observed on Phulchowki
Chestnut-tailed Minla Minla strigula	A total of 4 birds were seen on Phulchowki
White-browed Fulvetta Alcippe vinipectus	At least 20 were evident on Phulchowki
Nepal Fulvetta Alcippe nipalensis	Recorded only from Phulchowki mountain where the day's total was 8
Black-capped Sibia Heterophasia capistrata	At least 40 very active and noisy birds were seen during our day on Phulchowki
Whiskered Yuhina Yuhina flavicollis	8 birds were seen well on Phulchowki
Rufous-vented Yuhina Yuhina occipitalis	Another species which featured only on Phulchowki mountain,a total of 10 birds being logged
Black-throated Tit Aegithalos concinnus	8 birds proved to be yet another constituent part of our Phulchowki day-list.
Yellow-browed Tit Sylviparus modestus	Just I put in an appearance on Phulchowki
Grey Tit Parus major	Only 1 or 2 were noted on Phulchowki and Koshi, with up to 20 daily at Chitwan and between 6 and 10 daily at Bardia
Green-backed Tit Parus monticolus	3 on Phulchowki proved to be the only sightings
Black-lored Tit Parus xanthogenys	The sole record was of 3 on Phulchowki

Velvet-fronted Nuthatch Sitta frontalis	Up to 6 birds featured on the Chitwan day-list with just 1 noted at Bardia
White-tailed Nuthatch Sitta himalayensis	5 birds performed well on Phulchowki
Chestnut-bellied Nuthatch Sitta castanea	Up to 12 could be seen daily at Chitwan with singletons noted at Bardia
Purple Sunbird Nectarinia asiatica	The only record was of l at Koshi
Green-tailed Sunbird Aethopyga nipalensis	A total of 12 were well-watched on Phulchowki mountain
Crimson Sunbird Aethopyga siparaja	5 seen from elephant back on our last full day at Bardia was the only record
Fire-tailed Sunbird Aethopyga ignicauda	5 of these visual stunners helped the day on Phulchowki mountain along nicely
Thick-billed Flowerpecker Dicaeum agile	l put in a sudden appearance near to the breakfast tables between courses five and six at Bardia
Buff-bellied Flowerpecker Dicaeum ignipectus	Phulchowki played host to at least 4 of these colourful sprites
Oriental White-eye Zosterops palpebrosa	After no more than 4 daily at Koshi numbers increased to up to 20 daily at Chitwan and also at Bardia
Maroon Oriole Oriolus traillii	2 birds performed well on Phulchowki
Black-hooded Oriole Oriolus xanthornus	Well represented just about everywhere with up to 6 at Koshi, up to 8 at Chitwan and at least 3 daily at Bardia
Brown Shrike Lanius cristatus	Up to 30 were noted each day at Koshi and a similar number were noted during the journey from Koshi to Chitwan with a few at Chitwan and at Bardia
Long-tailed Shrike Lanius schach	Between 2 and 6 featured on day-lists at Koshi and Chitwan but no more than 2 were seen on any one day at Bardia
Grey-backed Shrike Lanius tephronotus	There were up to 4 observed each day at Koshi ,the only other record being of 1 at Chitwan
Black Drongo Dicrurus macrocercus	Noted daily "everywhere" or so it seemed!
Ashy Drongo Dicrurus leucophaeus	1 or 2 birds were noted at Koshi, Chitwan and Bardia

White-bellied Drongo Dicrurus caerulescens	After just 1 or 2 birds at Chitwan, up to 8 could be seen with ease at Bardia
Bronzed Drongo Dicrurus aeneus	At Chitwan, 3 one day followed by 6 the next proved to be the only records
Lesser Racket-tailed Drongo Dicrurus remifer	2 were noted during the Churia hills hike and 3 were near Tiger Tops Karnali lodge,Bardia on our last day
Spangled Drongo Dicrurus hottentottus	After just 1 at Koshi up to 10 were seen during our stays at both Chitwan and Bardia
Greater Racket-tailed Drongo Dicrurus paradiseus	Between 1 and 3 birds were observed most days at Chitwan and at Bardia
Ashy Woodswallow Artamus fuscus	No more than 6 were noted on any one day at Bardia and just two sightings at Chitwan produced 14 and 6 respectively
Eurasian Jay Garrulus glandarius	6 cavorted around the slopes of Phulchowki mountain
Red-billed Blue Magpie Urocissa erythrorhyncha	At Chitwan a three-day period produced 3, 14 and 2 respectively of this splendid bird
Green Magpie Cissa chinensis	Two of these jewels showed well in the Churia Hills Chitwan and I was seen near to the Gaida Tented Camp there
Rufous Treepie Dendrocitta vagabunda	Many sightings produced daily maxima of 6 at Koshi, 15 at Chitwan and 8 at Bardia
Grey Treepie Dendrocitta formosae	Two were well-watched on Phulchowki
House Crow Corvus splendens	An adundant resident entirely associated with man
Jungle Crow Corvus macrorhynchos	Common, frequenting forests, cultivation and open country as well as some villages
Chestnut-tailed Starling Sturnus malabaricus	At Koshi daily counts produced between 5 and 10 birds whilst at Chitwan 30 birds proved to be the maximum
Asian Pied Starling Sturnus contra	A fairly common resident noted at most localities except Bardia and during most journeys
Common Mynah Acridotheres tristis	An adundant resident
Bank Mynah Acridotheres ginginianus	Just 3 were observed at Koshi then at least 30 were noted during the journey from Koshi to Chitwan, usually near villages or grazing animals

Jungle Mynah Acridotheres fuscus	A common resident inhabiting wooded areas, cultivation and edges of villages.Some daily counts at Chitwan totalled 80 birds
Hill Mynah Gracula religiosa	A flock of fourteen were seen near to Jemire
House Sparrow Passer domesticus	Only small numbers noted with the exception of at least 40 birds seen during the long journey from Koshi to Chitwan;not seen at all at Bardia
Eurasian Tree Sparrow Passer montanus	Small numbers noted on the outskirts of Kathmandu and also at Koshi
Black-breasted Weaver Ploceus bengalensis	Good numbers were present late one afternoon at Bardia
Baya Weaver Ploceus philippinus	Many were noted on just one afternoon at Bardia
Red Avadavat Amandava amandava	Seen on two days at Koshi with 20 near to the barrage,8 elsewhere the following day,and no more than 8 seen daily at Chitwan
Striated Munia Lonchura striata	One flock of 9 was seen in the Churia hills,Chitwan
Scaly-breasted Munia Lonchura punctulata	No more than 6 were seen at Koshi whilst at Chitwan just one sighting produced 15 birds
Dark-breasted Rosefinch Carpodacus nipalensis	A total of 10 proved to be one of the many many highlights of the Phulchowki day-bash
Scarlet Finch Haematospiza sipahi	A female peformed well at the bottom of Phulchowki to the delight of a small group of admirers, not least of all, Tika
Gold-naped Finch Pyrrhoplectes epauletta	A total of fifteen were seen on Phulchowki, going about their daily chores in an unobtrusive manner
Black-faced Bunting Emberiza spodocephala	2 below the Pink tower near to the Koshi barrage should stand more chance of acceptance than the first winter male in Britain in early 1994
Little Bunting Emberiza pusilla	2 of these perky little chaps performed well not far from the Pink tower at Koshi
Yellow-breasted Bunting Emberiza aureola	A loose flock of 7, including I adult male was well- watched at Koshi
Crested Bunting Melophus lathami	At Chitwan, daily counts never exceeded 5 whilst at Bardia 3 proved to be the daily maxima

THE GROUP TOTAL WAS 381 INCLUDING TWO SPECIES WHICH WERE HEARD BUT NOT SEEN. MY OWN TOTAL WAS 375 EXCLUSIVE OF THE TWO SPECIES NOT SEEN	
Rhesus Macaque Macaca mulatta	Just 2 were seen at Koshi Tappu then at least 40 were noted on the journey to Chitwan and during our stay there with hundreds seen en route to and during our time at Bardia
Common Langur Presbytis entellus	18 were seen between Koshi Tappu and Chitwan and small numbers were seen at Chitwan and during our long journey at Bardia where hundreds were present
Jungle Cat Felis chaus	One seen extremely well in a narrow belt of remnant forest at Koshi during an early morning "twitch"
Common Mongoose Herpestes edwardsi	One watched for some time at Koshi
Golden Jackal Canis aureus	After a singleton at Koshi Tappu, at least 8 were seen at Bardia
Indian Fox Vulpes bengalensis	One observed running along and stopping in front of our jeep during a morning drive at Koshi
Indian Pipistrelle Pipistrellus coromandra	Seen at a variety of places, in very small numbers
Orangebellied Himalayan Squirrel Dremomys lokriah	One gave good views on the lower slopes of Phulchowki mountain
Palm Squirrel sp Funambulus sp	l seen soon after we departed Koshi Tappu gave such brief views that specific identification was not possible
Indian Hare Lepus nigricollis	The only sighting was of one at Koshi Tappu
Indian Elephant Elephas maximus	A group of 5 including a sub-adult bull and a sub- adult cow gave prolonged views on one early atmospheric game drive at Bardia
Great Indian One-Horned Rhinoceros Rhinoceros unicornis	An undoubted highlight of the whole trip was a total of 7 at Chitwan and 2 at Bardia,including two calves, the rest being adult females. The
	female at Bardia was of "Chitwan stock"
Wild Buffalo Bubalus bubalis	female at Bardia was of "Chitwan stock" Up to 16 could be safely watched at Koshi most days
Wild Buffalo Bubalus bubalis Barasingha Cervus duvauceli	Up to 16 could be safely watched at Koshi most

A few gave brief views at Koshi, only singletons were seen at Chitwan whilst at Bardia up to 36 could be seen in a day
41 was the highest daily count at Chitwan but at Bardia in excess of 400 were observed on most days
A total of 4 were noted at both Chitwan and Bardia
Only 1 was seen at Chitwan and 2 at Bardia
Another fantastic highlight at Bardia was 2 or 3 of these endangered Dolphins, one of which performed wonderfully well, during our Karnal river trip
Just one 12 footer - apparently two-thirds grown was seen resting on a sandbank during our boat trip down the Koshi river
Between 3 and 10 were observed at Chitwan, th latter count being achieved along the ox-bow
13 were noted during our river trip at Bardia