Report on Baseline study of Avian Fauna of Dhingano-Lakhat Riverine Forests, Sindh, Pakistan



Project title: Sustainable forest management to secure multiple benefits in Pakistan's high conservation value forests

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Project Brief

Project	Sustainable forest management to secure multiple benefits in Pakistan's					
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Duration:	Five years (January 2017 to December 2021)					
Project	i). Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Temperate forest)					
Areas:	ii).Sind (Riverine forest)					
	iii. Punjab (Scrub forest and Riverine forest)					
Project	The objective of the proposed project is to promote sustainable forest					
objective:	management in Pakistan's Western Himalayan Temperate coniferous,					
	Sub-tropical broadleaved evergreen thorn (Scrub) and Riverine forests					
	for biodiversity conservation, mitigation of climate change and securing					
	of forest ecosystem services. In particular, it aims at implementation of					
	three inter-related and mutually complementary components that are					
	focussed at addressing the barriers of inadequate planning, regulatory					
	and institutional frameworks to integrated forest resource					
	management, and enhancing the limited experience among key					
	government and civil society stakeholders in developing and					
	implementing SFM practices on the ground.					
Project	Outcome 1: Embedded sustainable forest management into landscape					
outcomes:	spatial planning;					
	Component/Outcome 2: Biodiversity conservation strengthened in and					
	around High Value Conservation Forests; and					
	Component/Outcome 3: Enhanced carbon sequestration in and around					
	HCVF in target forested landscapes					

Description

The objective of the proposed project is to promote sustainable forest management in Pakistan's Western Himalayan Temperate Coniferous, Sub-tropical broadleaved evergreen thorn (Scrub) and Riverine forests for biodiversity conservation, mitigation of climate change and securing of forest ecosystem services. In particular, it aims at implementation of three inter-related and mutually complementary components that are focussed at addressing the barriers of inadequate planning, regulatory institutional frameworks integrated and to forest resource management, and the limited experience among key government and civil society stakeholders in developing and implementing SFM practices on the ground.

Component 1 will support the incorporation of sustainable forest management objectives and safeguards in forest management planning, forestland allocation and compliance of monitoring systems at the local level. Component 2 will identify, demarcate and implement on-the-ground approaches to improving management of high conservation value forests within seven landscapes covering an area of 67,861 ha with the aim of meeting the life requisites of the target species, and habitats such as breeding areas, feeding areas, water sources, dispersal and connectivity corridors, etc.

Component 3 will develop practical approaches to enhancing carbon sequestration through restoring degraded and former forested areas (LULUCF activities) by a combination of restoration and reforestation of 10,005 ha of degraded conifer forests; 3,400 ha of degraded scrub forests, and reforestation of 13,099 ha of Riverine forests with native species.

The project is funded by GEF and UNDP and implemented by jointly by UNDP Pakistan and Minstry of Climate Change in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa,

	Cind and Duniah
	Sind, and Punjab.
Project Outputs	1.1 Forest resources and ecosystem services inventory and mapping informs forest management planning, implementation and monitoring at the landscape level
	1.2 Updated guidelines, planning tools and regulations facilitate harmonization and mainstreaming ecosystem, climate risk mitigation and biodiversity considerations into forest management planning
	Output 1.3. Landscape level forest plans integrates considerations of biodiversity, ecosystem services, climate mitigation and community resource use
	Output 1.4 Stakeholders' benefits of current unsustainable and sustainable forest practices and status of forest resources assessed
	Output 1.5 System for effective monitoring and enforcement of forest management plans, including clear delineation of roles and responsibilities of key partners and management of participatory processes informs forest management and development
	Output 1.6 Forest resource use conflict management and resolution processes established in multiple use zones
	Output 1.7 Capacity building for provincial and district level forest agencies, local communities and other stakeholders, including (i) training workshops and courses (ii) vocational training modules (iii) on-
	the-ground demonstration and training and (iv) patrolling skills and forest fire controlling training enhances capacity for sustainable land and forest management within key agencies and communities.
	1.8 Recommendations for facilitating adoption (institutionalising),

scaling up and replication of sustainable forest management practices promoted

Output 2.1 Avoided deforestation of High Conservation Value Forests with forest use regime change from unsustainable use to biodiversity conservation and non-exhaustive community forest management instituted

Output 2.2 Community-Managed Conservation Area model of community governance and management system operational

Output 2.3 Biodiversity conservation and capacities in and around high conservation value forests reinforced through training, enhanced enforcement, guidelines and strengthening with community managed conservation forests and involvement of communities in state managed forests

Output 3.1 Restoration of degraded Temperate Conifer forests and Subtropical Broadleaved Evergreen Thorny forests with indigenous species, realizing carbon benefits

Output 3.2 Reforestation of degraded Riverine forests with indigenous species, realizing carbon benefits and biodiversity conservation

Output 3.3 Best practice silvicultural approaches to forest restoration and reforestation documented, and capacities enhanced through training and local language guidelines.

Output 3.4 On-the-ground application of Nationally-tailored methodology for measuring carbon stocks (to be developed under a parallel REDD Readiness Preparation Project) applied, demonstrated and validated for the target areas.

Summary:

The species diversity and distribution of birds were studied in selected sites of Dhingano-Lakhat Riverine Forests, Sindh, Pakistan. Based on field observation and literature review, the results of the baseline study on avian fauna revealed that the area is permanent or seasonal home for about 223 species of birds belonging to 19 orders. Both passerine and non-passerines birds equally contributed to the avian diversity of the study area. At order level passeriformes dominated the diversity with species with largest species number recorded from different location of the study area. In nonpasseriformes, charadriiforms were the highest with species occurrence (10.7%), followed by Coraciiformes (5.4%). Among orders, the families Accipitridae (8.5%) contributed highest number of species followed by Scolopacidae and Muscicapidae (6.7%), followed by Ardeidae and Alaudidae (4.9%) and after then, Laridae (4.5%). The family Estrildidae and twenty others had minimum number of species (0.4%). Frequent sightings of egret, pied kingfisher, pond heron, moorhen, lapwing and etc. were observed near water bodies while Eurasian collared dove, bee-eater, pied bush chat dominated the terrestrial habitat of Dhingano-Lakhat Riverine Forests. The major threats were habitat loss due to forest cutting, land conversion and poor law enforcement. There is dire need to establish baseline data based on periodic studies and scientific methodologies which will help explore the diversity of bird's species and identification of management priorities in the study area.

Introduction:

Comprising about 13% of the world avian diversity, Indian subcontinent has approximately 1300 species of birds (Grimmett et al., 1998). The assessment and evaluation of bird communities has been considered as valuable tool in biodiversity conservation efforts (Shafiq et al., 1997). In understanding biodiversity, attitudinal gradients for the bird distribution give exceedingly useful clues (McCain, 2009). Bird distributions are particularly important as because they are commonly used as indicators of ecological conditions (Schrag et al., 2009). Birds are considered as important health indicators of the ecological conditions and productivity of an ecosystem (Li & Mundkur, 2007). While addressing the environmental problems of an area, birds can be used as very appropriate bio-indicators suggesting the status of biodiversity in general (Bhatt & Joshi, 2011).

Biodiversity at present is better understood for birds in many aspects than any other major group of organisms because they probably inspire more extreme interest in humans, often spectacular, relatively easily observed and not too cryptic to identify (Bruford, 2002). The bird assemblages are affected by various factors like food availability, size of the wetland and abiotic changes in the wetlands (Lagos et al., 2008). Unfortunately global diversity of birds is decreasing incessantly primarily due to anthropogenic disturbances and climate change (Sekercioglu et al., 2012). No surprise that IUCN Red List of endangered birds has already recognized 1226 bird species as threatened globally; and India, with 88 threatened bird species, is ranked at seventh position (Birdlife International, 2010).

Birds occupy almost all habitat types and diversity of birds often serves as a good indication of overall diversity of a given area (Furness & Greenwood, 1993). Birds are also known to respond to any kind of changes to their ambient conditions hence can be used as bio-indicator (Padoa–Schioppa et al., 2006). Biodiversity estimation applying short span studies are becoming more popular and in this regard preparation of checklists of birds on a wider scale has been given much importance (Roy et al., 2011). Birds are playing a major role as pollinators, consumers, dispersers of plant seeds and predators of insects. Each species has its own unique ecological niche. Birds not only help in pollination, but also help to biologically control the pest populations. These birds help maintain the various carnivorous and omnivorous populations of the world and are reared worldwide for not only this purpose but also for getting products such as downs feathers (Simeone et al., 2002).

Of the total Pakistan's bird species, 30% visit the country for a significant period of the year as long-distance migrants, 43% are either Palearctic species visiting Pakistan only for breeding and 28% are regular winter visitors, which breed mainly in trans-Himalayan northern regions (Roberts, 1992). The information about avian distribution across different habitats and Himalayan elevation zones across the region is scarce, fragmented and preliminary (Ali

& Ripley, 1998). Sindh riverine forest is unexplored area in terms of avifauna henceforth the data of species diversity and distribution range is quite insufficient. The present study was conducted to prepare the checklist of avifauna in selected site of study area. Although the study consists of a very short time span, but it will set baseline information to further strengthen the documented checklist of avian fauna of birds.

METHODOLOGY:

The present study was carried out in selected sites of Dhingano-Lakhat Riverine Forests. The whole study area was divided into sub sites representing all habitats of study area (Fig. 1). It is assumed that the survey transects that were conducted represent nearly all the study area. At each selected site of the study area in each habitat, 500m transects were used. Transects were rightfully separated (about 400m) to avoid the double counting of birds. The other most important aspect kept in consideration while surveying for the birds was the activity period of birds. The peak activity of birds lasts for 1 or 2 hours after sunrise or before sunset, so recording of birds were done either in early morning or late evening hours (Thakur et al., 2002) but here we continued the survey whole to record the bird's species. At some location we also used fixed point/point count method and flush count method depending upon the topography and suspected presence of the various bird's species. It helped note the movements and calls of the birds, which were noticed easily to draw data more accurately. All birds were seen while walking along transects, including those flying, were also recorded. All observations were made by using binocular and photographic documentation was done by using digital camera. In the field, the birds were identified using the authentic field guide (Grimmett, et al., 2008).

Dhingano-Lakhat Riverine Forests Landscape:

The proposed site is situated along the Indus River, downstream of Sukkur Barrage on the left bank in the Nawab Shah District. The landscape is comprised of Dhingano Reserve Forest (1,538 ha) and Lakhat Reserve Forest (1,462 ha) in Nawab Shah District. Both forests are also separately designated as wildlife sanctuaries under the Sindh Wildlife law in addition to their designation as Reserved Forest under the Forest Act. The total area of the Dhingano-Lakhat Riverine landscape is 3,300 ha. One of the reasons of inclusion of this landscape in this project is that most of the forests downstream of Sukkur Barrage do not get inundation except in high or super floods whereas this landscape, situated between Sukkur and Kotri barrages that is in Central Sindh still receives substantial annual inundation.

Abad Reserve Forest is located adjacent to this landscape. There is an opportunity of developing a corridor from the riverine landscape to Abad Reserve Forest. River meandering in this section of the river is common with the result that the processes of erosion and accretion are also common. Thus, there is an opportunity for recreating new riverine forest with traditional regeneration techniques that is broadcasting of treated seed of native species including Populus euphratica during the last receding flood. There are two villages and hamlets situated in and around these forests which consist of 1,670 households and 10,000 forest dependent local persons. One of the two dependent local communities are actively involved in protection and conservation of forests.

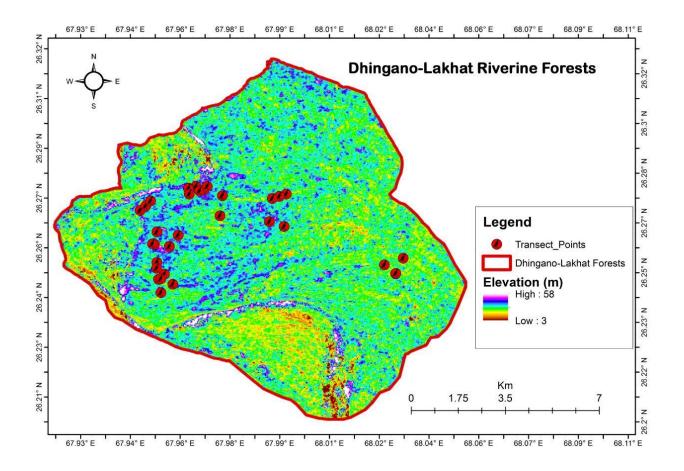
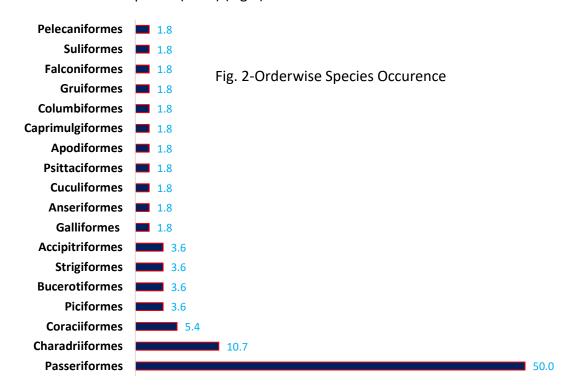
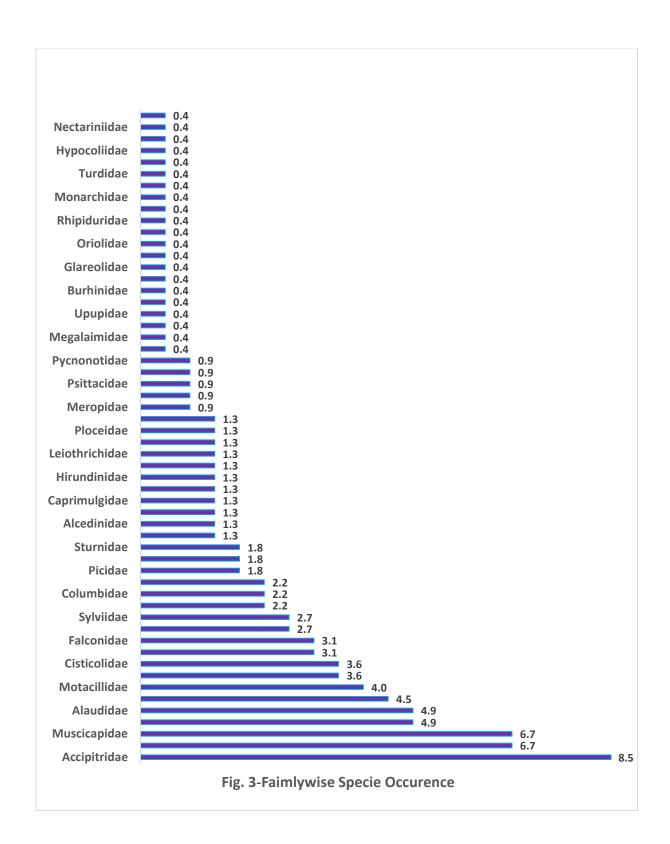


Fig. 1. Map of Study Area

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION:

The present study was conducted in selected sites of Dhingano-Lakhat Riverine Forests and we attempted to enlist the avian fauna of study area. It is assumed that the survey transects that were conducted represent nearly all the study areas. Based on field observation and literature review, the results of the baseline study on avian fauna revealed that the area is permanent or seasonal home for about 223 species of birds belonging to 19 orders (Table 1). The passerine birds dominated the diversity with species richness (50.0%) as compared to non-passerines which were (50.3%) in richness. In non-passeriformes, charadriiforms were the highest with species richness (10.7%), followed by Coraciiformes having (5.4%) species richness (Fig 2). Among orders, the families Accipitridae (8.5%) contributed highest number of species followed by Scolopacidae and Muscicapidae (6.7%) followed by Ardeidae and Alaudidae (4.9%) and after then, Laridae (4.5%). The family Estrildidae and twenty others mentioned in graph had minimum number of species (0.4%) (Fig 3).





During field visits highest diversity of birds were recorded in the area where two habitats overlapped. In Dhingano Riverine Forests, interestingly we observed more than 1000 individuals of Eurasian collard dove over a small area, we also observed about 53 active nest of dove species that were made on acacia tree. About 90% nest were observed on same tree which have thorny branches and stem that provide safety against snakes and monitor lizard that were reported to feed on their eggs. This interesting phenomenon will be discussed in separate article.

THREATS

- Land cover, it was observed that people continued cutting tree and replacing with agricultural land, as already there are fragile forests in the area. Across the study area, we did not observe the reforestation and appropriate forest protection efforts.
- Human interference such as intensive and regular grazing pressure and fodder collection were also observed. These threats are severely damaging the breeding abode of the bird species.
- Water pollution and scarcity were reported from the area and many wetlands became dry.
- There is no baseline data available, people have no maps, sans checklist and field guides that hinders the interest of staff to work efficiently.
- Interaction with staff made us realize the lack of man power and field expertise and incentives for working people.
- Lack of government interest towards the conservation of biodiversity of the area.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- There should be vigilant wild life officers who could have an eye over cutting tree mafia and punish the culprits.
- In order to encourage reforestation, initiatives should be taken to improve man power and capacity building for working people.
- Baseline data, maps, checklists and field guides should be made available to staff in order to increase their working efficiency.
- Solid waste pollution should be managed properly.
- Steps must be laid to curb water pollution in nearby forest areas so to make those areas environment friendly for avifauna.
- Based field experience we strongly recommend the study of migratory birds during migration season, as global warming badly affected the migratory rout, time and composition of various migratory birds species.
- Government must put stakes in conservation and protection of these forests in order to secure wild life.

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S. No.	Order	Family	Common Name	Scientific Name	IUCN	Sighting
1.	Galliformes	Phasianidae	Common quail	Coturnix coturnix	LC	No
2.	Galliformes	Phasianidae	Grey francolin	Perdix perdix	LC	Yes
3.	Galliformes	Phasianidae	Black francolin	Melanoperdix niger	VU	Yes
4.	Anseriformes	Anatidae	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	Lc	No
5.	Anseriformes	Anatidae	Common teal	Anas crecca	LC	Yes
6.	Anseriformes	Anatidae	Northern pintail	Anas acuta	LC	No
7.	Anseriformes	Anatidae	Northern shoveler	Spatula clypeata	LC	No
8.	Anseriformes	Anatidae	Marbled duck	Marmaronetta angustirostris	LC	No
9.	Anseriformes	Anatidae	Common merganser	Mergus merganser	LC	No
10.	Piciformes	Picidae	Eurasian wryneck	Jynx torquilla	LC	No
11.	Piciformes	Picidae	Yellow-crowned woodpecker	Leiopicus mahrattensis	LC	No
12.	Piciformes	Picidae	Sind woodpecker	Dendrocopos assimilis	LC	Yes
13.	Piciformes	Picidae	Black-rumped flameback	Dinopium benghalense	LC	No
14.	Piciformes	Megalaimidae	Coppersmith barbet	Psilopogon haemacephalus	LC	No
15.	Bucerotiformes	Bucerotidae	Indian grey hornbill	Ocyceros birostris	LC	No
16.	Bucerotiformes	Upupidae	Common Hoopoe	<i>Uрира ерорѕ</i>	LC	Yes
17.	Coraciiformes	Coraciidae	European roller	Coracias garrulus	LC	No
18.	Coraciiformes	Coraciidae	Indian roller	Coracias benghalensis	LC	Yes
19.	Coraciiformes	Alcedinidae	Common kingfisher	Alcedo atthis	LC	Yes
20.	Coraciiformes	Alcedinidae	White throated kingfisher	Halcyon smyrnensis	LC	Yes
21.	Coraciiformes	Alcedinidae	Pied kingfisher	Ceryle rudis	LC	Yes
22.	Coraciiformes	Meropidae	Green bee-eater	Merops orientalis	LC	Yes
23.	Coraciiformes	Meropidae	Blue-checked bee-eater	Merops persicus	LC	Yes
24.	Cuculiformes	Cuculidae	Pied cuckoo	Clamator jacobinus	LC	No
25.	Cuculiformes	Cuculidae	Asian koel	Eudynamys scolopaceus	LC	No
26.	Cuculiformes	Cuculidae	Greater coucal/ crow pheasant	Centropus sinensis	LC	No
27.	Psittaciformes	Psittacidae	Alexandrine parakeet	Psittacula eupatria	NT	No
28.	Psittaciformes	Psittacidae	Rose -ringed parakeet	Psittacula krameri	LC	Yes
29.	Apodiformes	Apodidae	House swift	Apus affinis	LC	Yes
30.	Strigiformes	Strigidae	Eurassian scop owl	Otus scops	LC	No
31.	Strigiformes	Strigidae	Collared scops owl	Otus lettia	LC	No
32.	Strigiformes	Strigidae	Spotted owlet	Athene brama	LC	Yes
33.	Strigiformes	Strigidae	Long eared owl	Asio otus	LC	No
34.	Strigiformes	Strigidae	Short eared owl	Asio flammeus	LC	No
35.	Strigiformes	Tytonidae	Barn owl	Tyto alba	LC	No
36.	Caprimulgiformes	Caprimulgidae	Eurassian nightjar	Caprimulgus europaeus	LC	No

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37.	Caprimulgiformes	Caprimulgidae	Sykes's nightjar	Caprimulgus mahrattensis	LC	No
38.	Caprimulgiformes	Caprimulgidae	Indian nightjar	Caprimulgus asiaticus	LC	Yes
39.	Columbiformes	Columbidae	Rock pigeon	Columba livia	LC	Yes
40.	Columbiformes	Columbidae	Yellow footed green pigeon	Treron phoenicoptera	LC	No
41.	Columbiformes	Columbidae	Laughing dove	Spilopelia senegalensis	LC	Yes
42.	Columbiformes	Columbidae	Eurassian collared dove	Streptopelia decaocto	LC	Yes
43.	Columbiformes	Columbidae	Red collared dove	Streptopelia tranquebarica	LC	Yes
44.	Gruiformes	Rallidae	Water rail	Rallus aquaticus	LC	No
45.	Gruiformes	Rallidae	White breasted waterhen	Amaurornis phoenicurus	LC	No
46.	Gruiformes	Rallidae	Little crake	Porzana parva)	LC	No
47.	Gruiformes	Rallidae	Bailons crake	Porzana pusilla	LC	No
48.	Gruiformes	Rallidae	Spotted crake	Porzana porzana	LC	No
49.	Gruiformes	Rallidae	Common moorhen	Gallinula chloropus)	LC	Yes
50.	Gruiformes	Rallidae	Common coot	Fulica atra	LC	Yes
51.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Pintail snipe	Gallinago stenura	LC	No
52.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Common snipe	Gallinago gallinago	LC	Yes
53.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Greater painted snipe	Rostratula benghalensis	LC	No
54.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Eurassian curlew	Numenius arquata	NT	No
55.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Spotted redshank	Tringa erythropus	LC	No
56.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Common redshank	Tringa totanus	LC	No
57.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Marsh sandpiper	Tringa stagnatilis	LC	Yes
58.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Common greenshank	Tringa nebularia	LC	No
59.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Green sandpiper	Tringa ochropus	LC	Yes
60.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Wood sandpiper	Tringa glareola	LC	No
61.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Common sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos	LC	Yes
62.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Little stint	Calidris minuta	LC	Yes
63.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Temminck's stint	Calidris temminckii	LC	No
64.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Dunlin	Calidris alpina	LC	Yes
65.	Charadriiformes	Scolopacidae	Curlew sandpiper	Calidris ferruginea	NT	Yes
66.	Charadriiformes	Burhinidae	Eurassian thick-knee	Burhinus oedicnemus	LC	No
67.	Charadriiformes	Recurvirostridae	Black winged stilt	Himantopus himantopus	LC	Yes
68.	Charadriiformes	Charadriidae	Grey plover	Pluvialis squatarola	LC	Yes
69.	Charadriiformes	Charadriidae	Little ringed plover	Charadrius dubius	LC	Yes
70.	Charadriiformes	Charadriidae	Kentish plover	Charadrius alexandrinus	LC	No
71.	Charadriiformes	Charadriidae	Northern lapwing	Vanellus vanellus	LC	Yes

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72.	Charadriiformes	Charadriidae	Yellow-wattled lapwing	Vanellus malabaricus	LC	No
73.	Charadriiformes	Charadriidae	Red -watled lapwing	Vanellus indicus	LC	Yes
74.	Charadriiformes	Charadriidae	Socialable lapwing	Vanellus gregarius	CR	No
75.	Charadriiformes	Charadriidae	White-tailed lapwing	Vanellus leucurus	LC	Yes
76.	Charadriiformes	Glareolidae	Small pratincole	Glareola lactea	LC	No
77.	Charadriiformes	Laridae	Indian skimmer	Rynchops albicollis	VU	No
78.	Charadriiformes	Laridae	Caspian gull	Larus cachinnans	LC	Yes
79.	Charadriiformes	Laridae	Pallas's gull	Ichthyaetus ichthyaetus	LC	No
80.	Charadriiformes	Laridae	Brown headed gull	C. brunnicephalus	LC	No
81.	Charadriiformes	Laridae	Black headed gull	Chroicocephalus ridibundus	LC	Yes
82.	Charadriiformes	Laridae	Gull-billed tern	Gelochelidon nilotica	LC	No
83.	Charadriiformes	Laridae	Caspian tern	Hydroprogne caspia	LC	No
84.	Charadriiformes	Laridae	River tern	Sterna aurantia	LC	Yes
85.	Charadriiformes	Laridae	Little tern	Sternula albifrons	LC	No
86.	Charadriiformes	Laridae	Whiskered tern	Chlidonias hybrida	LC	No
87.	Accipitriformes	Pandionidae	Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	LC	No
88.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Black shouldered kite	Elanus axillaris	LC	Yes
89.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Black kite	Milvus migrans	LC	Yes
90.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Brahminy kite	Haliastur indus	LC	No
91.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Pallas fish eagle	Haliaeetus leucoryphus	EN	Yes
92.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Egyptian vulture	Neophron percnopterus	EN	No
93.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Short-toed snake eagle	Circaetus gallicus	LC	No
94.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Eurassian marsh harrier	Circus aeruginosus	LC	No
95.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Pallid harrier	Circus macrourus	NT	No
96.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Montagu's harrier	Circus pygargus	LC	No
97.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Shikra	Accipiter badius	LC	Yes
98.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Eurassian sparrowhawk	Accipiter nisus	LC	Yes
99.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Northern goshawk	Accipiter gentilis	LC	No
100.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Oriental honey buzzard	Pernis ptilorhynchus	LC	No
101.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	White eyed buzzard	Butastur teesa	LC	No
102.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Common buzzard	Buteo buteo	LC	Yes
103.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Long-legged buzzard	Buteo rufinus	LC	Yes
104.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Bonellis's eagle	Aquila fasciata	LC	No
105.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Imperial eagle	Aquila heliaca	VU	No
106.	Accipitriformes	Accipitridae	Booted eagle	Hieraaetus pennatus	LC	No

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107.	Falconiformes	Falconidae	Common kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	LC	Yes
108.	Falconiformes	Falconidae	Red-necked falcon	Falco chicquera	NT	No
109.	Falconiformes	Falconidae	Merlin	Falco columbarius	LC	No
110.	Falconiformes	Falconidae	Eurassian hobby	Falco subbuteo	LC	Yes
111.	Falconiformes	Falconidae	Laggar falcon	Falco jugger	NT	No
112.	Falconiformes	Falconidae	Saker falcon	Falco cherrug	EN	No
113.	Falconiformes	Falconidae	Peregrine falcon	Falco peregrinus	LC	No
114.	Suliformes	Phalacrocoracidae	Indian cormorant	Phalacrocorax fuscicollis	LC	No
115.	Suliformes	Phalacrocoracidae	Great cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo	LC	No
116.	Suliformes	Phalacrocoracidae	Little cormorant	Microcarbo niger	LC	yes
117.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Little egret	Egretta garzetta	LC	Yes
118.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Grey heron	Ardea cinerea	LC	Yes
119.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Purple heron	Ardea purpurea	LC	No
120.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Great egret	Ardea alba	LC	Yes
121.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Intermediate egret	Ardea intermedia	LC	Yes
122.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Cattle egret	Bubulcus ibis	LC	No
123.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Indian pond heron	Ardeola grayii	LC	Yes
124.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Little heron	Butorides striata	LC	Yes
125.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Black crowned night heron	Nycticorax nycticorax	LC	No
126.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Little bittern	Ixobrychus minutus	LC	No
127.	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae	Yellow bittern	Ixobrychus sinensis	LC	No
128.	Passeriformes	Laniidae	Rufous-tailed shrike	Lanius isabellinus	LC	Yes
129.	Passeriformes	Laniidae	Bay-backed shrike	Lanius vittatus	LC	No
130.	Passeriformes	Laniidae	Long tailed shrike	Lanius schach	LC	No
131.	Passeriformes	Laniidae	Southern grey shrike	Lanius meridionalis	NR	No
132.	Passeriformes	Corvidae	Rufous treepie	Dendrocitta vagabunda	LC	Yes
133.	Passeriformes	Corvidae	House crow	Corvus splendens	LC	Yes
134.	Passeriformes	Oriolidae	Eurassian golden oriole	Oriolus oriolus	LC	No
135.	Passeriformes	Campephagidae	Small minivet	Pericrocotus cinnamomeus	LC	No
136.	Passeriformes	Rhipiduridae	White-browed fantail	Rhipidura aureola	LC	No
137.	Passeriformes	Dicruridae	Black drongo	Dicrurus macrocercus	LC	Yes
138.	Passeriformes	Monarchidae	Asian paradise flycatcher	Terpsiphone paradisi	LC	No
139.	Passeriformes	Tephrodornithidae	Common woodshrike	Tephrodornis pondicerianus	LC	No
140.	Passeriformes	Turdidae	Dark throated thrush	Turdus atrogularis	LC	No
141.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Spotted flycatcher	Muscicapa striata	LC	No
142.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Blue rock thrush	Monticola solitarius	LC	No

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143.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Red throated flycatcher	Ficedula parva	LC	No
144.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Bluethroat	Luscinia svecica	LC	yes
145.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Rufous -tailed scrub robin	Cercotrichas galactotes	LC	No
146.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Indian robin	Copsychus fulicatus	LC	Yes
147.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Black redstart	Phoenicurus ochruros	LC	Yes
148.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Common stonechat	Saxicola torquatus	LC	Yes
149.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	White tailed stonechat	Saxicola leucurus	LC	No
150.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Pied bushchat	Saxicola caprata	LC	Yes
151.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Hume's wheatear	Oenanthe albonigra	LC	No
152.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Variable wheatear	Oenanthe picata	LC	Yes
153.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Rufous-tailed wheatear	Oenanthe chrysopygia	LC	No
154.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Desert wheatear	Oenanthe deserti	LC	No
155.	Passeriformes	Muscicapidae	Isabelline wheatear	Oenanthe isabellina	LC	No
156.	Passeriformes	Sturnidae	Rosy starling	Pastor roseus	LC	No
157.	Passeriformes	Sturnidae	Common starling	Sturnus vulgaris	LC	No
158.	Passeriformes	Sturnidae	Common myna	Acridotheres tristis	LC	yes
159.	Passeriformes	Sturnidae	Bank myna	Acridotheres ginginianus	LC	Yes
160.	Passeriformes	Remizidae	White crowned penduline tit	Remiz coronatus	LC	No
161.	Passeriformes	Hirundinidae	Barn swallow	Hirundo rustica	LC	Yes
162.	Passeriformes	Hirundinidae	Wire tailed swallow	Hirundo smithii	LC	No
163.	Passeriformes	Hirundinidae	Streak-throated swallow	Petrochelidon fluvicola	LC	No
164.	Passeriformes	Pycnonotidae	White eared bulbul	Pycnonotus leucotis	LC	Yes
165.	Passeriformes	Pycnonotidae	Red vented bulbul	Pycnonotus cafer	LC	Yes
166.	Passeriformes	Hypocoliidae	Grey Hypocolius	Hypocolius ampelinus	LC	No
167.	Passeriformes	Pellorneidae	Rufous-vented prinia	Prinia burnesii	NT	No
168.	Passeriformes	Cisticolidae	Striated prinia	Prinia crinigera	LC	Yes
169.	Passeriformes	Cisticolidae	Rufous fronted prinia	Prinia buchanani	LC	No
170.	Passeriformes	Cisticolidae	yellow-bellied prinia	Prinia flaviventris	LC	No
171.	Passeriformes	Cisticolidae	Ashy prinia	Prinia socialis	LC	Yes
172.	Passeriformes	Cisticolidae	Plain prinia	Prinia inornata	LC	Yes
173.	Passeriformes	Cisticolidae	Graceful prinia	Prinia gracilis	LC	No
174.	Passeriformes	Cisticolidae	Zitting cistola	Cisticola juncidis	LC	No
175.	Passeriformes	Cisticolidae	Common tailorbird	Orthotomus sutorius	LC	No
176.	Passeriformes	Sylviidae	Greater whitethroat	Sylvia communis	LC	No
177.	Passeriformes	Sylviidae	Lesser whitethroat	Sylvia curruca	LC	No
178.	Passeriformes	Sylviidae	Desert warbler	Sylvia nana	LC	No

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179.	Passeriformes	Sylviidae	Yellow eyed wabbler	Chrysomma sinense	LC	No
180.	Passeriformes	Sylviidae	Orphean warbler	Sylvia hortensis	LC	No
181.	Passeriformes	Sylviidae	Cetti's bush warbler	Cettia cetti	LC	No
182.	Passeriformes	Acrocephalidae	Moustached warbler	Acrocephalus melanopogon	LC	No
183.	Passeriformes	Acrocephalidae	Paddyfield warbler	Acrocephalus agricola	LC	No
184.	Passeriformes	Acrocephalidae	Blyth's reed warbler	Acrocephalus dumetorum	LC	Yes
185.	Passeriformes	Acrocephalidae	Clamorous reed warbler	Acrocephalus stentoreus	LC	No
186.	Passeriformes	Acrocephalidae	Booted warbler	Iduna caligata	LC	No
187.	Passeriformes	Phylloscopidae	Common chifchaff	Phylloscopus collybita	LC	Yes
188.	Passeriformes	Phylloscopidae	Plain leaf warbler	Phylloscopus neglectus	LC	No
189.	Passeriformes	Phylloscopidae	Greenish warbler	Phylloscopus trochiloides	LC	Yes
190.	Passeriformes	Leiothrichidae	Common babbler	Turdoides caudata	LC	Yes
191.	Passeriformes	Leiothrichidae	Striated babbler	Turdoides earlei	LC	Yes
192.	Passeriformes	Leiothrichidae	Jungle babbler	urdoides striata	LC	Yes
193.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Black crowned sparrow lark	Eremopterix nigriceps	LC	No
194.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Ashy crowned sparrow lark	Eremopterix griseus	LC	No
195.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Desert lark	Ammomanes deserti	LC	No
196.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Greater hoopoe lark	Alaemon alaudipes	LC	No
197.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Bimaculatted lark	Melanocorypha bimaculata	LC	No
198.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Greater short-toed lark	Calandrella brachydactyla	LC	No
199.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Lesser short-toed lark	Alaudala rufescens	LC	No
200.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Sand lark	Alaudala raytal	LC	No
201.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Crested lark	Galerida cristata	LC	Yes
202.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Eurassian skylark	Alauda arvensis	LC	No
203.	Passeriformes	Alaudidae	Oriental skylark	Alauda gulgula	LC	No
204.	Passeriformes	Nectariniidae	Purple sunbird	Cinnyris asiaticus	lC	Yes
205.	Passeriformes	Passeridae	House sparrow	Passer domesticus	LC	Yes
206.	Passeriformes	Passeridae	Sind sparrow	Passer pyrrhonotus	LC	Yes
207.	Passeriformes	Passeridae	Chestunt shouldered petrnia	Petronia xanthocollis	LC	No
208.	Passeriformes	Motacillidae	White wagtail	Motacilla alba	LC	Yes
209.	Passeriformes	Motacillidae	Citrine wagtail	Motacilla citreola	LC	Yes
210.	Passeriformes	Motacillidae	Yellow wagtail	Motacilla flava	LC	Yes
211.	Passeriformes	Motacillidae	Grey wagtail	Motacilla cinerea	LC	No
212.	Passeriformes	Motacillidae	Paddyfield pipit	Anthus rufulus	LC	Yes
213.	Passeriformes	Motacillidae	Tawny pipit	Anthus campestris	LC	No
214.	Passeriformes	Motacillidae	Long-billed pipit	Anthus similis	LC	No

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215.	Passeriformes	Motacillidae	Tree pipit	Anthus trivialis	LC	Yes
216.	Passeriformes	Motacillidae	Water pipit	Anthus spinoletta	LC	No
217.	Passeriformes	Ploceidae	Black-breasted weaver	Ploceus benghalensis	LC	No
218.	Passeriformes	Ploceidae	Streaked weaver	Ploceus manyar	LC	No
219.	Passeriformes	Ploceidae	Baya weaver	Ploceus philippinus	LC	No
220.	Passeriformes	Estrildidae	Indian silverbill	Euodice malabarica	LC	No
221.	Passeriformes	Emberizidae	Grey-necked bunting	Emberiza buchanani	LC	No
222.	Passeriformes	Emberizidae	House bunting	Emberiza sahar	LC	No
223.	Passeriformes	Emberizidae	Black headed bunting	Emberiza melanocephala	LC	No

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