

## SOUTHERN INDIA AND THE ANDAMANS

It took a few minutes but then, faintly and well in the distance it called back. The chase was on, stumbling back down the barely moon lit track towards our minibus the calls grew stronger and stronger. It wasn't interested in coming to the forest edge so off we set, moving slowly inside the dense forest. Suddenly there it was...but only briefly and just for a lucky few. Minutes later however it was tracked down again and it stayed, and stayed and stayed. We eventually walked away from it – our only Ceylon Bay Owl of the entire trip. Fantastic and we were understandably ecstatic!

This was already day 13 of the tour and several of us suspected that we'd just seen the 'Bird of the Trip' and how right we were...Almost two weeks earlier our adventure had begun with a flight on the world's largest passenger plane, the A380, from Heathrow to Dubai. Our first ornithological delights had to wait until the following morning however when we had unusually prolonged telescope views of a fine male Indian Blue Robin right in the garden of our Ooty hotel. Later the same day, after a teasing encounter with our first Painted Bush-quail, we were enjoying the delights of birding in the shola forests around this famous hill station. Strutting Grey Junglefowl, our first demure Nilgiri and secretive Black-and-orange Flycatchers, an extremely co-operative male Kashmir Flycatcher and, eventually, a Nilgiri Blue Robin. And then there were the troops of Nilgiri Langurs. There was so much to see – and this was just our first day in South India...

The following day we descended a steep ghat road back to the plains, stopping at a waterfall to admire our first Malabar Whistling Thrush. Switching to two jeeps we continued lower, seeing a splendid white phase male Asian Paradise Flycatcher and another spectacular male Indian Blue Robin for those who had sensibly opted to sleep in the previous morning. We finally also found both Grey-headed Bulbul and Brown-breasted Flycatcher amid the pesky Bonnet Macaques right at the base of the mountain range. Another South Indian endemic, this time in the shape of White-browed Bulbul, fell next as, spectacularly, did a very co-operative and very handsome male White-bellied Minivet. The following morning saw us searching, successfully, for Indian Pitta right in our hotel grounds before exploring further afield later in the day. The day's excursion yielded a party of three Asiatic Elephants and umpteen ornithological additions to our already burgeoning list.

A Jerdon's Nightjar flew over the restaurant early next morning and was soon followed by a very satisfying encounter with a pair of Red Spurfowl – often the hardest South Indian endemic to see well. After another comfortable night back up in Ooty we headed on to Munnar, the second hill station of this wide ranging tour. Even though we paused to admire a couple of distant Gaur (or Indian Bison) we still arrived mid-afternoon and had plenty of time to search out specialities such as Kerala Laughingthrush, White-bellied Blue Robin and that ever elusive South Indian endemic, the Nilgiri Woodpigeon before nightfall. Next morning we headed out revitalised in our quest to find the region's other avian specialities. Indian Broad-tailed Grassbird gave itself up surprisingly quickly as eventually did a Nilgiri Pipit, then another, and another and another. Satiated with almost point blank views of this often retiring species we headed back to Munnar for another delicious lunch. Yet more South Indian specialities, in the shapes of our first Small Sunbird and Malabar Barbet were seen that afternoon and still more the following morning – with small parties of both Yellow-throated Bulebuls and Indian Rufous Babblers and a typically elusive Blue-faced Malkoha being encountered on the steep Bodi road.

And then for a change of scene and on to Periyar and, for most of us, our first encounters with terrestrial leeches. Unpleasant little critters but harmless (we had to keep reminding ourselves of the latter) and the leech socks and repellent were usually a sufficient deterrent. After another fabulous sit-down lunch we had our first jungle walk in the bird rich forests that this National Park boasts. We weren't disappointed – excellent views of our first Woolly-necked Stork, Rusty-tailed and a pair of White-bellied Blue Flycatchers ensured that. We had three nights at Periyar, spending a part of one enjoying a Travancore Flying Squirrel feeding in the trees right outside our

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hotel and the days doing a series of jungle walks. As always the birding was excellent and, with repeated encounters with several Heart-spotted Woodpeckers, White-bellied Treepies, Indian Black Woodpeckers, Malabar and Great Pied Hornbills we almost forgot about the leeches. And then there was our fabulous encounter with a pair of Indian Wild Dogs.

Our final port of call on the core mainland section of the tour was Thattekad, a site that was new to us all. Thanks in no small part to a skilled and enthusiastic local guide it more than lived up to our expectations – a pair of Brown Hawk Owls at a daytime roost over the ticket counter got us off to a fine start and these were complemented by umpteen more Ceylon Frogmouths and several attractive Flame-throated Bulbuls. It was all great fun even if we couldn't find our last remaining South Indian endemic - the ever elusive Wynaad Laughingthrush. Nevertheless the compensation in the shape of the aforementioned Ceylon Bay Owl was enormous.

After a night in yet another very comfortable hotel, this time in Kochi (still called Cochin by many of us) the core section of the tour was over. Time had raced on. For the rest of us there was more to come as we flew west to Chennai (formerly Madras) a city that's reputedly India's fastest growing. We had an easy day – and after a sumptuous lunch time banquet took it easy, steeling our selves for the early starts we expected on the Andaman Islands. Once there the islands endemics didn't exactly throw themselves at our feet – but starting with (impressive numbers of) Andaman Teal we gradually whittled them down. The night birds (the scops owl, the two hawk owls even the nightjar) fell surprisingly easily but the usual suspects – the imaginatively named Andaman Crake, Andaman Cuckooshrike, Andaman Coucal and Andaman Woodpigeon remained elusive. We persevered and eventually even these gave themselves up – we'd bagged 19 of the islands 20 endemics and had only missed the Barn Owl a split that some of us didn't support in any case.

So there we had it – a fantastic tour with some fabulous birds and not a few spectacular mammals. Everything had run smoothly with our superbly accommodating driver for the bulk of the trip, being truly first class – as were many of the hotels and the food. Several of us had been to Northern India previously and were very impressed by the South's scenery, the relative lack of squalor, the quality of many of our hotels and the wide variety of delicious food available. Roll on 2011 when Paul will be back there again...

### **Bird List:**

The order, English and scientific names follow those used

As on all Sunbird tours species are only included on this list if they were seen, or heard, by the leader and at least one participant.

#### Key to the status codes:

Column A = Number of core tours on which species has been recorded.

Column B = Number of Andaman Island extensions on which species has been recorded.

Column C = Number of days this species was recorded on the core tour.

Column D = Maximum daily count for that particular species on the core tour.

Column E = Number of days this species was recorded on the Andaman Island extensions.

Column F = Maximum daily count for that particular species on the Andaman Island extension.

H = denotes a species that was heard but was not seen

(H) = denotes a species that was heard more often than it was seen

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A	B	C	D	E	F	
2	Little Grebe	1	10			<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
2	1 Spot-billed Pelican	2	7			<i>Pelecanus philippensis</i>
2	1 Little Cormorant	7	200			<i>Phalacrocorax niger</i>
2	Indian Shag	2	20			<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>
2	Great Cormorant	6	10			<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>
2	1 Oriental Darter	4	10			<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>
2	2 Little Egret	9	20	2	20	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
2	Western Reef-heron	1	15			<i>Egretta gularis</i>
	2 Pacific Reef-heron			2	3	<i>Egretta sacra</i>
2	2 Great Egret	4	5	2	70	<i>Egretta alba</i>
2	1 Intermediate Egret	6	40			<i>Egretta intermedia</i>
2	2 Grey Heron	5	2	2	3	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
2	Purple Heron	2	1			<i>Ardea purpurea</i>
2	1 Eastern Cattle Egret	6	300			<i>Bubulcus coromandus</i>
2	1 Indian Pond-heron	11	30			<i>Ardeola grayii</i>
	2 Pond heron sp.			3	5	<i>Ardeola sp.</i>
1	2 Striated Heron	2	2	5	10	<i>Butorides striata</i>
	1 Black-crowned Night-heron					<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
	1 Yellow Bittern			3	3	<i>Ixobrychus sinensis</i>
	Chestnut Bittern					<i>Ixobrychus cinnamomeus</i>
	Black Bittern					<i>Ixobrychus flavicollis</i>
1	1 Painted Stork	1	11			<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>
1	1 Asian Openbill					<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>
2	Woolly-necked Stork	3	2			<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>
	Lesser Adjutant					<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>
	1 Glossy Ibis					<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>
	1 Black-headed Ibis					<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>
1	Indian Black Ibis Subcont-endem	1	15			<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>
	1 Eurasian Spoonbill					<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>
	Greater Flamingo					<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>
	2 Lesser Whistling-duck			2	50	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>
1	Bar-headed Goose					<i>Anser indicus</i>
1	Cotton Teal					<i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i>
	Eurasian Wigeon					<i>Anas penelope</i>
2	Indian Spot-billed Duck	2	6			<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>
1	Northern Shoveler					<i>Anas clypeata</i>
	2 Andaman Teal And.-endem+Z91			1	117	<i>Anas albogularis</i>
1	1 Northern Pintail					<i>Anas acuta</i>
2	1 Garganey	1	6			<i>Anas querquedula</i>
	Common Teal					<i>Anas crecca</i>
	Common Pochard					<i>Aythya ferina</i>
	Tufted Duck					<i>Aythya fuligula</i>
	Black Baza	1	1			<i>Aviceda leuphotes</i>
2	Oriental Honey-buzzard	6	2			<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>
1	1 Black-winged Kite					<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
1	Black-eared' Kite	1	1			<i>Milvus [migrans] lineatus</i>
2	2 Black Kite	6	20	1	1	<i>Milvus migrans</i>
2	2 Brahminy Kite	7	50	2	5	<i>Haliastur indus</i>
	2 White-bellied Sea-eagle			5	4	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>
1	Grey-headed Fish-eagle	2	1			<i>Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus</i>
	Egyptian Vulture					<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>
2	White-rumped Vulture	1	2			<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>
	Indian Vulture Subcont-endem					<i>Gyps indicus</i>
	Red-headed Vulture					<i>Aegypius calvus</i>
2	Short-toed Eagle	1	3			<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>
1	2 Crested Serpent-eagle	4	2	1	1	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>
	2 Andaman Serpent-eagle And.-endem			3	2	<i>Spilornis elgini</i>
1	1 Western Marsh Harrier					<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
1	1 Pallid Harrier					<i>Circus macrourus</i>

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2	Montagu's Harrier	1	4				<i>Circus pygargus</i>
1	Crested Goshawk	1	1				<i>Accipiter trivirgatus</i>
2	1 Shikra	2	2				<i>Accipiter badius</i>
	Besra Sparrowhawk						<i>Accipiter virgatus</i>
1	Eurasian Sparrowhawk						<i>Accipiter nisus</i>
1	White-eyed Buzzard						<i>Butastur teesa</i>
2	Steppe' Buzzard	1	1				<i>Buteo buteo vulpinus</i>
	Long-legged Buzzard						<i>Buteo rufinus</i>
2	Black Eagle	2	1				<i>Ictinaetus malayensis</i>
1	Indian Spotted Eagle	1	1				<i>Aquila hastata</i>
	Greater Spotted Eagle						<i>Aquila clanga</i>
1	Tawny Eagle						<i>Aquila rapax</i>
1	Steppe Eagle						<i>Aquila nipalensis</i>
2	Bonelli's Eagle	1	1				<i>Hieraaetus fasciatus</i>
2	Booted Eagle	1	1				<i>Hieraaetus pennatus</i>
	Rufous-bellied Eagle						<i>Hieraaetus kienerii</i>
2	Changeable Hawk-eagle			2	2		<i>Spizaetus limnaeetus</i>
1	Crested Hawk-eagle Subcont-endem						<i>Spizaetus cirrhatus</i>
	Mountain Hawk-eagle						<i>Spizaetus nipalensis</i>
2	2 Osprey	2	1	2	1		<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
2	1 Common Kestrel	3	4				<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
	Peregrine Falcon						<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
2	1 Grey Francolin	2	2				<i>Francolinus pondicerianus</i>
1	Jungle Bush-quail Indian-endem						<i>Perdicula asiatica</i>
2	Painted Bush-quail Indian-endem	5	8	(H)			<i>Perdicula erythrorhyncha</i>
2	Red Spurfowl S. Indian-endem	3	2				<i>Galloperdix spadicea</i>
2	Grey Junglefowl S. Indian-endem	12	10	(H)			<i>Gallus sonneratii</i>
2	Indian Peafowl Subcont-endem	3	3				<i>Pavo cristatus</i>
1	Yellow-legged Buttonquail						<i>Turnix tanki</i>
	Barred Buttonquail						<i>Turnix suscitator</i>
2	Andaman Crake And.-endem			4	7	(H)	<i>Rallina canningi</i>
1	Slaty-legged Crake	1	1	H			<i>Rallina eurizonoides</i>
1	Slaty-breasted Rail			3	5	(H)	<i>Rallus striatus</i>
2	2 White-breasted Waterhen	2	2	3	2		<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>
	Eastern' Baillon's Crake						<i>Porzana pusilla</i>
1	Ruddy-breasted Crake			1	2	H	<i>Porzana fusca</i>
	Watercock						<i>Gallicrex cinerea</i>
2	1 Purple Swamphen	2	4	1	1		<i>Porphyrio [porphyrio] poliocephalus</i>
2	Common Moorhen			1	8		<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
2	Eurasian Coot	1	10				<i>Fulica atra</i>
	Pheasant-tailed Jacana						<i>Hydrophasianus chirurgus</i>
	Bronze-winged Jacana						<i>Metopidius indicus</i>
2	Pacific Golden Plover			3	10		<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>
1	Grey Plover						<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>
2	2 Little Ringed Plover	1	1	2	15		<i>Charadrius dubius</i>
1	1 Kentish Plover						<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>
2	Lesser Sand Plover			3	50		<i>Charadrius mongolus</i>
2	Greater Sand Plover			2	6		<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>
2	Yellow-wattled Lapwing	1	1				<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>
2	1 Red-wattled Lapwing	7	4				<i>Vanellus indicus</i>
	Eurasian Woodcock						<i>Scolopax rusticola</i>
	Pintail Snipe						<i>Gallinago stenura</i>
2	Pintail/Swinhoe's Snipe			2	10		<i>Gallinago stenura/G. megala</i>
1	Common Snipe						<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>
	Western' Black-tailed Godwit						<i>Limosa limosa</i>
1	'Eastern' Black-tailed Godwit			1	2		<i>Limosa [limosa] melanuroides</i>
1	Bar-tailed Godwit						<i>Limosa lapponica</i>
2	Whimbrel			3	5		<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>
1	Eurasian Curlew			1	1		<i>Numenius arquata</i>
	Spotted Redshank						<i>Tringa erythropus</i>
1	2 Common Redshank			3	15		<i>Tringa totanus</i>
2	2 Common Greenshank	1	2	1	3		<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
2	Green Sandpiper	3	2				<i>Tringa ochropus</i>

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1	2	Wood Sandpiper	1	6	2	6	<i>Tringa glareola</i>
		Terek Sandpiper					<i>Xenus cinereus</i>
2	2	Common Sandpiper	5	5	4	4	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
	1	Ruddy Turnstone			1	1	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>
	2	Rufous-necked Stint			2	200	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>
1		Temminck's Stint	1	4			<i>Calidris temminckii</i>
	2	Long-toed Stint			2	10	<i>Calidris subminuta</i>
	1	Dunlin					<i>Calidris alpina</i>
	2	Curlew Sandpiper			2	100	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>
	1	Broad-billed Sandpiper			1	1	<i>Limicola falcinellus</i>
		Ruff					<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>
2		Black-winged Stilt	1	1			<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
2		Brown-headed Gull	1	1			<i>Larus brunnicephalus</i>
2	1	Gull-billed Tern	1	6			<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>
1		Lesser Crested Tern					<i>Thalasseus bengalensis</i>
1		Great Crested Tern					<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>
	1	Little or Saunders's Tern					<i>Sterna albifrons</i> or <i>S. saundersi</i>
2	1	Whiskered Tern	3	100			<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>
	1	White-winged Tern					<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>
2	2	Rock Pigeon	7	100	5	10	<i>Columba livia</i>
2		Nilgiri Woodpigeon S. Indian-endem	2	1			<i>Columba elphinstonii</i>
	2	Andaman Woodpigeon And.-endem			1	8 H	<i>Columba palumboides</i>
2		Oriental Turtle-dove	2	1			<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>
2	1	Laughing Dove	3	30			<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>
2	1	Spotted Dove	7	20			<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>
1	2	Red Collared-dove			5	80	<i>Streptopelia tranquebarica</i>
2	1	Eurasian Collared-dove	3	20			<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>
	2	Andaman Cuckoo-dove And.-endem			2	3	<i>Macropygia rufipennis</i>
2	2	Emerald Dove	6	5 (H)	3	2	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>
2		Grey-fronted Green-pigeon S. Indian-endem	3	5			<i>Treron affinis</i>
	2	Andaman Green-pigeon And.-endem			1	30	<i>Treron chloropterus</i>
2		Mountain Imperial-pigeon	3	8 (H)			<i>Ducula badia</i>
2	2	Green Imperial-pigeon	2	5 (H)	4	50	<i>Ducula aenea</i>
2	2	Vernal Hanging-parrot	9	10	5	6	<i>Loriculus vernalis</i>
	1	Alexandrine Parakeet					<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>
2	1	Rose-ringed Parakeet	1	3			<i>Psittacula krameri</i>
2		Plum-headed Parakeet	3	6			<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>
2		Malabar Parakeet S. Indian-endem	9	10			<i>Psittacula columboides</i>
	2	Red-breasted Parakeet			2	500	<i>Psittacula alexandri</i>
1	2	Long-tailed Parakeet			3	15	<i>Psittacula longicauda</i>
2	1	'Southern' Coucal Indian-endem	6	2 H			<i>Centropus [sinensis] parroti</i>
	2	Andaman Coucal And.-endem			5	20 (H)	<i>Centropus [sinensis] andamanensis</i>
2		Blue-faced Malkoha Subcont-endem	1	1			<i>Phaenicophaeus viridirostris</i>
2	2	Asian Koel	2	2	5	4 (H)	<i>Eudynamis scolopacea</i>
	1	Violet Cuckoo			2	2	<i>Chrysococcyx xanthorhynchus</i>
1	2	Banded Bay Cuckoo	1	1 H	1	2 H	<i>Cacomantis sonneratii</i>
1		Grey-bellied Cuckoo Subcont-endem					<i>Cacomantis passerinus</i>
2	1	Common Hawk-cuckoo	4	1 H			<i>Hierococcyx varius</i>
		hawk-cuckoo sp.	1	1			<i>Hierococcyx sp.</i>
	1	Indian Cuckoo					<i>Cuculus micropterus</i>
		Common Cuckoo					<i>Cuculus canorus</i>
		Common Barn-owl					<i>Tyto alba</i>
2		Ceylon Bay Owl Subcont-endem	1	1			<i>Phodilus assimilis</i>
	2	Andaman Scops-owl And.-endem			2	4 (H)	<i>Otus balli</i>
2		Oriental Scops-owl	1	2 H			<i>Otus sunia</i>
	2	'Andaman' Oriental Scops-owl			3	8 H	<i>Otus sunia modestus</i>
2		Indian Scops-owl Subcont-endem	1	5 (H)			<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>
1		Forest Eagle-owl	2	1 H			<i>Bubo nipalensis</i>
1		Brown Fish-Owl	2	1			<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>
		Mottled Wood-owl Subcont-endem					<i>Strix ocellata</i>
		Brown Wood-owl					<i>Strix leptogrammica</i>
1		Jungle Owlet Indian-endem	3	4			<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>
1		Spotted Owlet					<i>Athene brama</i>

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2	Brown Hawk-owl		1	2			<i>Ninox scutulata</i>
2	Hume's Hawk-owl	And.-endem			2	2	<i>Ninox obscura</i>
2	Andaman Hawk-owl	And.-endem			2	4 (H)	<i>Ninox affinis</i>
2	Ceylon Frogmouth	Subcont-endem	3	7			<i>Batrachostomus moniliger</i>
1	Great Eared-nightjar		1	1			<i>Eurostopodus macrotis</i>
2	Jerdon's Nightjar	Subcont-endem	1	2			<i>Caprimulgus atripennis</i>
2	Andaman Nightjar	And.-endem			2	2	<i>Caprimulgus andamanicus</i>
	Indian Little Nightjar						<i>Caprimulgus asiaticus</i>
	nightjar sp.						<i>Caprimulgus sp.</i>
2	White-bellied Swiftlet				5	20	<i>Collocalia esculenta</i>
	Alpine Swift						<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>
	Pacific Swift						<i>Apus pacificus</i>
2	Indian Swiftlet		7	10			<i>Aerodramus unicolor</i>
2	Edible-nest Swiftlet				5	20	<i>Aerodramus fuciphagus</i>
1	Indian White-rumped Spinetail	Indian-endem					<i>Zoonavena syvatica</i>
2	2 Brown-throated Needletail		3	11	3	10	<i>Hirundapus giganteus</i>
1	Asian Palm-Swift						<i>Cypsiurus balasiensis</i>
1	1 Little Swift		1	1			<i>Apus affinis</i>
2	Crested Treeswift		3	6			<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>
2	Malabar Trogon	Subcont-endem	3	2			<i>Harpactes fasciatus</i>
2	2 Common Kingfisher		7	2	2	2	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>
1	Blue-eared Kingfisher						<i>Alcedo meninting</i>
1	2 Stork-billed Kingfisher				3	4	<i>Pelargopsis capensis</i>
2	2 White-throated Kingfisher		10	3	5	10	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>
1	Black-capped Kingfisher				1	1	<i>Halcyon pileata</i>
2	Collared Kingfisher				3	3	<i>Todiramphus chloris</i>
2	Lesser Pied Kingfisher		3	3			<i>Ceryle rudis</i>
1	Blue-bearded Bee-eater						<i>Nyctyornis athertoni</i>
2	Little Green Bee-eater		4	8			<i>Merops orientalis</i>
2	2 Blue-tailed Bee-eater		2	4	4	5	<i>Merops philippinus</i>
2	1 Chestnut-headed Bee-eater		2	6			<i>Merops leschenaulti</i>
2	1 Indian Roller		3	4			<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>
1	Dollarbird				2	1	<i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>
2	Common Hoopoe		1	3			<i>Upupa epops</i>
2	Malabar Grey Hornbill	S. Indian-endem	7	4			<i>Ocyrceros griseus</i>
1	Indian Grey Hornbill	Subcont-endem					<i>Ocyrceros birostris</i>
	Malabar Pied Hornbill	Subcont-endem					<i>Anthracoceros coronatus</i>
1	Great Pied Hornbill		2	4			<i>Buceros bicornis</i>
	Brown-headed Barbet	Subcont-endem					<i>Megalaima zeylanica</i>
2	White-cheeked Barbet	S. Indian-endem	12	20	(H)		<i>Megalaima viridis</i>
2	Malabar Barbet	S. Indian-endem	7	6	(H)		<i>Megalaima malabarica</i>
2	1 Coppersmith Barbet		4	3			<i>Megalaima haemacephala</i>
1	Eurasian Wryneck						<i>Jynx torquilla</i>
2	Indian Pygmy Woodpecker	S. Indian-endem	3	2			<i>Dendrocopos nanus</i>
2	Spot-breasted Pied Woodpecker				4	3	<i>Dendrocopos analis</i>
1	Yellow-fronted Pied Woodpecker		1	1			<i>Dendrocopos mahrattensis</i>
1	Rufous Woodpecker						<i>Micropternus brachyurus</i>
2	White-bellied Woodpecker		4	2			<i>Dryocopus javensis</i>
2	Andaman Woodpecker	And.-endem			4	4 (H)	<i>Dryocopus hodgei</i>
2	Lesser Yellownape		1	1			<i>Picus chlorolophus</i>
1	Streak-throated Woodpecker		1	1			<i>Picus xanthopygæus</i>
2	Common Flameback		1	2			<i>Dinopium javanense</i>
2	Black-rumped Flameback		7	2			<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>
2	Greater Flameback		5	3			<i>Chrysocolaptes lucidus</i>
1	White-naped Flameback	Subcont-endem					<i>Chrysocolaptes festivus</i>
2	Heart-spotted Woodpecker		4	2			<i>Hemicircus canente</i>
2	Indian Pitta	Subcont-endem	4	7	(H)		<i>Pitta brachyura</i>
1	1 Jerdon's Bushlark	Subcont-endem					<i>Mirafra affinis</i>
2	1 Ashy-crowned Finch-lark	Subcont-endem	2	20			<i>Eremopterix griseus</i>
1	Rufous-tailed Lark	Subcont-endem					<i>Ammomanes phoenicura</i>
1	Greater Short-toed Lark						<i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>
2	1 Malabar Lark	S. India-endem	1	2			<i>Galerida malabarica</i>
1	Eurasian Crag-martin						<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>

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2	Dusky Crag-martin	3	2				<i>Ptyonoprogne concolor</i>
2	2 Barn Swallow	6	40	2	5		<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
	2 House Swallow			3	4		<i>Hirundo tahitica</i>
2	Hill Swallow Subcont-endem	4	20				<i>Hirundo domicola</i>
1	Wire-tailed Swallow						<i>Hirundo smithii</i>
2	1 Red-rumped Swallow	6	25				<i>Hirundo daurica</i>
2	1 Forest Wagtail	1	2				<i>Dendroanthus indicus</i>
1	White Wagtail	1	2				<i>Motacilla alba</i>
2	White-browed Wagtail	9	3				<i>Motacilla maderaspatensis</i>
2	1 Western Yellow Wagtail	1	10				<i>Motacilla flava</i>
	2 Eastern Yellow Wagtail			3	15		<i>Motacilla tschutschensis taivana</i>
2	2 Grey Wagtail	12	20	4	2		<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>
	2 Richard's Pipit			1	1	H	<i>Anthus richardi</i>
2	1 Paddyfield Pipit	2	2				<i>Anthus rufulus</i>
1	Tawny Pipit						<i>Anthus campestris</i>
1	1 Blyth's Pipit						<i>Anthus godlewskii</i>
1	Long-billed Pipit						<i>Anthus similis</i>
2	1 Tree Pipit	1	4				<i>Anthus trivialis</i>
	1 Olive-backed Pipit			1	1	H	<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>
	1 Red-throated Pipit						<i>Anthus cervinus</i>
2	Nilgiri Pipit S. India-endem	1	6				<i>Anthus nilghiriensis</i>
2	2 Large Cuckooshrike	2	2	(H)	1	1	<i>Coracina macei</i>
	1 Andaman Cuckooshrike And.-endem				1	2	<i>Coracina dobsoni</i>
1	Black-headed Cuckooshrike						<i>Coracina melanoptera</i>
2	2 Small Minivet	4	4	3	8		<i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i>
2	White-bellied Minivet Indian-endem	1	1				<i>Pericrocotus erythropygius</i>
	2 Scarlet Minivet			4	6		<i>Pericrocotus speciosus</i>
2	Orange Minivet Subcont-endem	7	6				<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>
2	Pied Flycatcher-shrike	3	4				<i>Hemipus picatus</i>
2	Malabar Woodshrike S. India-endem	3	8				<i>Tephrodornis sylvicola</i>
2	Common Woodshrike	3	4				<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>
2	Asian Paradise Flycatcher	8	3				<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>
2	2 Black-naped Monarch	2	2	4	6		<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>
2	White-browed Fantail	3	3				<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>
2	White-spotted Fantail Indian-endem	1	2				<i>Rhipidura albogularis</i>
2	Grey-headed Bulbul S. India-endem	2	2				<i>Pycnonotus priocephalus</i>
	2 Andaman Bulbul And.-endem			4	8		<i>Pycnonotus fuscoflavescens</i>
2	Flame-throated Bulbul S. India-endem	2	6				<i>Pycnonotus gularis</i>
2	2 Red-whiskered Bulbul	11	50	5	20		<i>Pycnonotus jocosus</i>
2	1 Red-vented Bulbul	6	20				<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>
2	Yellow-throated Bulbul S. India-endem	1	2				<i>Pycnonotus xantholaemus</i>
2	White-browed Bulbul S. India-endem	4	6				<i>Pycnonotus luteolus</i>
2	Yellow-browed Bulbul Subcont-endem	7	6				<i>Iole indica</i>
2	Square-tailed Black Bulbul Subcont-endem	4	20				<i>Hypsipetes ganeesa</i>
2	Common Iora	6	6				<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>
2	Gold-fronted Leafbird	8	2				<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>
1	Jerdon's Leafbird Subcont-endem						<i>Chloropsis jerdoni</i>
2	2 Brown Shrike	3	2	5	5		<i>Lanius cristatus</i>
2	Bay-backed Shrike	2	2				<i>Lanius vittatus</i>
2	Long-tailed Shrike	6	6				<i>Lanius schach</i>
1	2 Orange-headed Thrush			2	2		<i>Zoothera citrina</i>
	Nilgiri Thrush S. India-endem						<i>Zoothera neilgherriensis</i>
2	Indian Blackbird Subcont-endem	2	2				<i>Turdus simillimus</i>
	2 Eyebrowed Thrush			3	2		<i>Turdus obscurus</i>
2	Malabar Whistling-thrush Subcont-endem	10	5	(H)			<i>Myophonus horsfieldii</i>
2	1 Asian Brown Flycatcher	1	1				<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>
2	Rusty-tailed Flycatcher	3	5				<i>Muscicapa ruficauda</i>
1	Brown-breasted Flycatcher	3	2				<i>Muscicapa muttui</i>
	2 Red-throated Flycatcher			2	1		<i>Ficedula albicilla</i>
2	Kashmir Flycatcher Subcont-endem	1	1				<i>Ficedula subrubra</i>
2	Black-and-orange Flycatcher S. India-endem	2	10				<i>Ficedula nigrorufa</i>
2	Verditer Flycatcher	2	1				<i>Eumyias thalassinus</i>
2	Nilgiri Flycatcher S. India-endem	4	8	(H)			<i>Eumyias albicaudatus</i>

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2	White-bellied Blue Flycatcher	S. India-endem	2	2				<i>Cyornis pallipes</i>
2	Tickell's Blue Flycatcher		6	6				<i>Cyornis tickelliae</i>
2	Grey-headed Canary-flycatcher		5	10				<i>Culicicapa ceylonensis</i>
2	Blue-headed Rock-thrush		2	3				<i>Monticola cinclorhynchus</i>
1	Blue Rock-thrush							<i>Monticola solitarius</i>
2	Indian Blue Robin		10	6	(H)			<i>Luscinia brunnea</i>
2	2 Oriental Magpie-Robin		4	10		4	3	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>
2	Andaman Shama	And.-endem				4	6	(H) <i>Copsychus albiventris</i>
2	Indian Black Robin		3	6				<i>Saxicoloides fulicatus</i>
2	White-bellied Blue Robin	S. India-endem	1	1				<i>Myiomela albiventris</i>
2	Nilgiri Blue Robin	S. India-endem	1	1				<i>Myiomela major</i>
	Common Stonechat							<i>Saxicola torquatus</i>
2	1 Pied Bushchat		7	15				<i>Saxicola caprata</i>
1	Wynaad Laughingthrush	S. India-endem						<i>Dryonastes delesserti</i>
2	Kerala Laughingthrush	S. India-endem	2	5				<i>Trochalopteron fairbanki</i>
2	Black-chinned Laughingthrush	S. India-endem	1	4				<i>Trochalopteron cachinnans</i>
2	Puff-throated Babbler		6	2	(H)			<i>Pellorneum ruficeps</i>
2	Indian Scimitar-babbler	Subcont-endem	9	3	(H)			<i>Pomatorhinus [schisticeps] horsfieldii</i>
2	Tawny-bellied Babbler	Subcont-endem	3	5				<i>Dumetia hyperythra</i>
1	Dark-fronted Babbler	Subcont-endem	1	2				<i>Rhopocichla atriceps</i>
2	Yellow-eyed Babbler		1	3				<i>Chrysomma sinense</i>
2	Large Grey Babbler	Subcont-endem	1	8				<i>Turdoides malcolmi</i>
2	Indian Rufous Babbler	S. India-endem	2	3				<i>Turdoides subrufa</i>
2	Jungle Babbler	Subcont-endem	8	14				<i>Turdoides striata</i>
2	1 Yellow-billed Babbler	Subcont-endem	5	10				<i>Turdoides affinis</i>
2	Brown-cheeked Fulvetta		7	5	(H)			<i>Alcippe poiocephala</i>
2	Grey-breasted Prinia		1	2				<i>Prinia hodgsonii</i>
2	Ashy Prinia	Subcont-endem	1	1				<i>Prinia socialis</i>
1	Jungle Prinia	Subcont-endem						<i>Prinia sylvatica</i>
1	Plain Prinia		2	2				<i>Prinia inornata</i>
2	Common Tailorbird		6	4				<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>
1	Rusty-rumped Warbler					2	3	<i>Locustella certhiola</i>
2	1 Blyth's Reed-warbler		12	10				<i>Acrocephalus dumetorum</i>
1	Oriental Reed-warbler					1	10	<i>Acrocephalus orientalis</i>
2	1 Thick-billed Warbler		1	1	H			<i>Acrocephalus aedon</i>
2	Sykes's Warbler		1	1				<i>Hippolais rama</i>
2	Booted Warbler		1	1				<i>Hippolais caligata</i>
2	Tickell's Leaf- Warbler		2	4				<i>Phylloscopus affinis</i>
1	2 Yellow-browed Leaf-warbler		1	1		5	4	(H) <i>Phylloscopus inornatus</i>
1	Arctic Warbler					1	1	<i>Phylloscopus borealis</i>
2	2 Greenish Warbler		9	15	(H)	3	4	H <i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>
2	Bright-green Warbler		6	10	(H)			<i>Phylloscopus nitidus</i>
2	Large-billed Leaf-warbler		5	3	(H)			<i>Phylloscopus magnirostris</i>
2	Western Crowned Warbler		1	2				<i>Phylloscopus occipitalis</i>
2	Indian Broad-tailed Grassbird	S. India-endem	1	1				<i>Schoenicola platyurus</i>
1	Lesser Whitethroat							<i>Sylvia curruca</i>
1	Hume's Whitethroat							<i>Sylvia althaea</i>
2	Great Tit		7	6				<i>Parus major</i>
2	Indian Yellow Tit	S. India-endem	2	4				<i>Parus aplonotus</i>
1	Indian Nuthatch	Indian-endem						<i>Sitta castanea</i>
2	Velvet-fronted Nuthatch		4	4				<i>Sitta frontalis</i>
2	Nilgiri Flowerpecker	S. India-endem	7	10				<i>Dicaeum concolor</i>
2	Andaman Flowerpecker	And.-endem				4	6	<i>Dicaeum virescens</i>
2	Purple-rumped Sunbird	Subcont-endem	3	4				<i>Leptocoma zeylonica</i>
2	Small Sunbird	S. India-endem	3	6				<i>Leptocoma minima</i>
2	Olive-backed Sunbird					2	4	<i>Cinnyris jugularis</i>
2	Purple Sunbird		4	5				<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>
2	Long-billed Sunbird	Subcont-endem	2	2				<i>Cinnyris lotenius</i>
2	Little Spiderhunter		4	5	(H)			<i>Arachnothera longirostra</i>
2	2 Oriental White-eye		9	20		2	2	H <i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>
2	Common Rosefinch		1	3				<i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i>
2	Indian Silverbill		1	4				<i>Euodice malabarica</i>
1	2 White-rumped Munia		1	2		3	30	<i>Lonchura striata</i>

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1	Black-throated Munia	Subcont-endem						<i>Lonchura kelaarti</i>
2	1	Scaly-breasted Munia	2	3				<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>
	1	Tricoloured Munia	Subcont-endem					<i>Lonchura malacca</i>
2	2	House Sparrow	7	50	4	6		<i>Passer domesticus</i>
2		Yellow-throated Petronia	1	15				<i>Petronia xanthocollis</i>
	1	Baya Weaver						<i>Ploceus philippinus</i>
1		Grey-headed Starling						<i>Sturnia malabarica</i>
2		Malabar White-headed Starling	S. India-endem	5	20			<i>Sturnia blythii</i>
	2	Andaman White-headed Starling	And.-endem			3	25	<i>Sturnia erythropygia</i>
2	1	Brahminy Starling		3	20			<i>Temenuchus pagodarum</i>
2		Rosy Starling		1	8			<i>Sturnus roseus</i>
2	2	Common Myna		10	40	5	40	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>
2		Jungle Myna		10	100			<i>Acridotheres fuscus</i>
	2	Common Hill-myna				4	50	<i>Gracula religiosa</i>
2		Lesser Hill-myna	Subcont-endem	8	20			<i>Gracula indica</i>
2	1	Indian Golden Oriole		4	2			<i>Oriolus kundoo</i>
1	2	Black-naped Oriole		2	2	4	4	<i>Oriolus chinensis</i>
2		Black-hooded Oriole		3	3	(H)		<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>
2	2	Asian Fairy Bluebird		4	4	4	4	<i>Irena puella</i>
2	1	Black Drongo		4	15			<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>
2		Ashy Drongo		11	10			<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>
2		White-bellied Drongo	Subcont-endem	3	2			<i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>
2		Bronzed Drongo		4	6			<i>Dicrurus aeneus</i>
	2	Andaman Drongo	And.-endem			5	12	<i>Dicrurus andamanensis</i>
2	2	Greater Racket-tailed Drongo		8	10	4	6	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>
2		Ashy Woodswallow		5	5			<i>Artamus fuscus</i>
2		Rufous Treepie		6	2			<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>
2		White-bellied Treepie	S. India-endem	5	20			<i>Dendrocitta leucogastra</i>
	2	Andaman Treepie	And.-endem			4	5	<i>Dendrocitta bayleyi</i>
2	2	House Crow		9	200	4	8	<i>Corvus splendens</i>
	2	Eastern Jungle Crow				3	6	<i>Corvus [macrorhynchus] levillantii</i>
2		Indian Jungle Crow	Subcont-endem	13	40			<i>Corvus [macrorhynchus] culminatus</i>