

## CHECKLIST OF BIRDS SEEN DURING BHUTAN TOUR

No of days recorded	Location	Abundance Scale (max. seen on 1 day)
1 2h means seen on 1 day and heard on 2 other days	B = Bhutan D = Delhi	1 = 1 - 4 individuals 2 = 5 - 9 3 = 10 - 99 4 = 100 - 999

The order and nomenclature follows *Birds of the Indian Subcontinent* by K.Kazmierczak.  
A few taxonomic notes (\*, \* etc) follow the list.

SPECIES	No of days recorded	Location	Abundance Scale	SCIENTIFIC NAME
Little Grebe	1	D	2	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
Great Cormorant	7	B	3	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>
Little Cormorant	1	D	3	<i>Phalacrocorax niger</i>
Intermediate Egret	1	D	2	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>
Little Egret	1	D	2	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
Cattle Egret	2	D	3	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
Great Egret ☺	1	D	3	<i>Ardea alba</i>
Grey Heron	1	D	2	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
Purple Heron	1	D	2	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>
Indian Pond Heron	1	D	2	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>
Painted Stork	1	D	2	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>
Black-necked Stork	1	D	1	<i>Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus</i>
Greater Flamingo	1	D	3	<i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>
Eurasian Spoonbill	1	D	3	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>
Glossy Ibis	1	D	1	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>
Black Ibis	1	D	1	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>
Greylag Goose	1	D	1	<i>Anser anser</i>
Bar-headed Goose	1	D	1	<i>Anser indicus</i>
Comb Duck	1	D	3	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>
Ruddy Shelduck	4	B D	3	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>
Common Pintail	1	D	2	<i>Anas acuta</i>
Common Teal	1	D	3	<i>Anas crecca</i>
Spot-billed Duck	1	D	3	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>
Mallard	1	B	1	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
Garganey	1	D	2	<i>Anas querquedula</i>
Gadwall	2	B D	2	<i>Anas strepera</i>
Eurasian Wigeon	1	D	3	<i>Anas penelope</i>
Northern Shoveler	1	D	4	<i>Anas clypeata</i>
Common Merganser (Goosander)	4	B	2	<i>Mergus merganser</i>
Oriental Honey-buzzard	1	D	1	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>
Black Kite	3	D	4	<i>Milvus migrans</i>
Shikra	2	D	1	<i>Accipiter badius</i>
Besra	1	B	1	<i>Accipiter virgatus</i>
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	2	B	1	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>
Long-legged Buzzard	3	B	1	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>
Common Buzzard	3	B	1	<i>Buteo buteo</i>
Mountain Hawk Eagle	3	B	1	<i>Spizaetus nipalensis</i>
Rufous-bellied Eagle	1	B	1	<i>Hieraaetus kienerii</i>
Tawny Eagle	1	D	1	<i>Aquila rapax</i>
Black Eagle	2	B	1	<i>Ictinaetus malayensis</i>
Osprey	1	B	1	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
Egyptian Vulture	1	D	1	<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>
Himalayan Griffon	2	B	2	<i>Gyps himalayensis</i>
Hen Harrier	1	B	1	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>
Eurasian Marsh Harrier	1	D	1	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
Crested Serpent Eagle	1 1h	B	1	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>

Peregrine Falcon	1		B	1	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
Common Kestrel	9		B	3	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
Grey Francolin	1			1	<i>Francolinus pondicerianus</i>
Black Francolin	-	1h		-	<i>Francolinus francolinus</i>
Indian Peafowl	1			1	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>
Black-necked Crane	1		B	2	<i>Grus nigricollis</i>
Common Moorhen	1			2	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
Common Coot	1			3	<i>Fulica atra</i>
Purple Swamphen	1			2	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>
Pheasant-tailed Jacana	1			1	<i>Hydrophasianus chirurgus</i>
Bronze-winged Jacana	1			1	<i>Metopidius indicus</i>
Ibisbill	3		B	2	<i>Ibidorhyncha struthersii</i>
Black-winged Stilt	2			3	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
Yellow-wattled Lapwing	1			1	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>
River Lapwing	4		B	3	<i>Vanellus duvaucelii</i>
Red-wattled Lapwing	3			3	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>
Little Ringed Plover	1			3	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>
Black-tailed Godwit	1			3	<i>Limosa limosa</i>
Ruff	2			3	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>
Spotted Redshank	1			2	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>
Common Redshank	2			2	<i>Tringa totanus</i>
Common Greenshank	1			1	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
Marsh Sandpiper	2			1	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>
Wood Sandpiper	2			3	<i>Tringa glareola</i>
Green Sandpiper	1			2	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>
Common Sandpiper	4		B	3	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
Little Stint	1			1	<i>Calidris minuta</i>
Temminck's Stint	2			2	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>
Pallas's (Great Black-headed) Gull	1			1	<i>Larus ichthyæus</i>
Gull-billed Tern ☺	1			1	<i>Sterna nilotica</i>
Whiskered Tern	1			3	<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>
Red Collared Dove	1			1	<i>Streptopelia tranquebarica</i>
Eurasian Collared Dove	3			3	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>
Laughing Dove	2			2	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>
Oriental Turtle Dove	10		B	3	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>
Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	2			3	<i>Treron phoenicoptera</i>
Rock Pigeon	11		B	4	<i>Columba livia</i>
Plum-headed Parakeet	1			1	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>
Alexandrine Parakeet	2			1	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>
Rose-ringed Parakeet	3			3	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>
Oriental Cuckoo	1	1h	B	1	<i>Cuculus saturatus</i>
Large Hawk-Cuckoo	-	1h	B	-	<i>Hierococcyx sparveroides</i>
Asian Koel	1	2h		1	<i>Eudynamis scolopacea</i>
Greater Coucal	1			1	<i>Centropus sinensis</i>
Grey Nightjar	-	2h	B	-	<i>Caprimulgus indicus</i>
Himalayan Swiftlet	2		B	3	<i>Collocalia brevirostris</i>
Fork-tailed Swift	3		B	2	<i>Apus pacificus</i>
Little (House) Swift ☺	2			4	<i>Apus affinis</i>
Indian Roller	1			1	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>
Crested Kingfisher	2		B	1	<i>Megaceryle lugubris</i>
Pied Kingfisher	1			1	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>
White-throated Kingfisher	5		B	1	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>
Green Bee-eater	2			1	<i>Merops orientalis</i>
Great Barbet	3	4h	B	2	<i>Megalaima virens</i>
Brown-headed Barbet	2			1	<i>Megalaima zeylanica</i>
Golden-throated Barbet	-	1h	B	-	<i>Megalaima franklinii</i>
Coppersmith Barbet	3			1	<i>Megalaima haemacephala</i>
Common Hoopoe	7		B	1	<i>Upupa epops</i>
Indian Grey Hornbill	2			1	<i>Ocyroceros birostris</i>
Grey-headed Woodpecker	1		B	1	<i>Picus canus</i>
Greater Yellownape	1		B	1	<i>Picus flavinucha</i>
Black-rumped Flameback	1			1	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>
Speckled Piculet	2		B	1	<i>Picumnus innominatus</i>

Yellow-rumped Honeyguide	1	B		1	<i>Indicator xanthonotus</i>
Orange-bellied Leafbird (Chloropsis)	1	B		1	<i>Chloropsis hardwickii</i>
Maroon Oriole	1	B		1	<i>Oriolus traillii</i>
Oriental (Small) Skylark	-	lh	B	-	<i>Alauda gulgula</i>
Crested Lark	1		D	1	<i>Galerida cristata</i>
Plain Martin	1		D	3	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>
Dusky Crag Martin	1		D	3	<i>Hirundo concolor</i>
Eurasian Crag Martin	1	B		1	<i>Hirundo rupestris</i>
Nepal House-Martin	2	B		4	<i>Delichon nipalensis</i>
Asian House-Martin	1	B		3	<i>Delichon dasypus</i>
Barn Swallow	1	B		1	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
Red-rumped Swallow	1		D	1	<i>Hirundo daurica</i>
Black Drongo	3	B	D	3	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>
Ashy Drongo	6	B		2	<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>
Bar-winged (Pied) Flycatcher-shrike	1	B		1	<i>Hemipus picatus</i>
Common Woodshrike	1		D	1	<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>
Grey-backed Shrike	6	B		1	<i>Lanius tephronotus</i>
Long-tailed Shrike	4	B		1	<i>Lanius schach</i>
Bay-backed Shrike	1		D	1	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>
Chestnut-tailed Starling	2	B		1	<i>Sturnus malabaricus</i>
Brahminy Starling	1		D	2	<i>Sturnus pagodarum</i>
Asian Pied Starling	3		D	3	<i>Sturnus contra</i>
Bank Myna	2		D	3	<i>Acridotheres ginginianus</i>
Common Myna	11	B	D	3	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>
Yellow-billed Blue Magpie	2	B		1	<i>Urocissa flavirostris</i>
Rufous Treepie	2		D	1	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>
Grey Treepie	4	B		1	<i>Dendrocitta formosae</i>
Spotted Nutcracker	3	B		1	<i>Nucifraga caryocatactes</i>
Red-billed Chough	6	B		4	<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>
House Crow	4	B	D	4	<i>Corvus splendens</i>
Large-billed (Jungle) Crow	13	B	D	3	<i>Corvus macrorhynchos</i>
Grey-chinned Minivet	1	B		1	<i>Pericrocotus solaris</i>
Short-billed Minivet	1	B		1	<i>Pericrocotus brevirostris</i>
Long-tailed Minivet	4	B		2	<i>Pericrocotus ethologus</i>
Scarlet Minivet	1	B		1	<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>
Black Bulbul	7	B		3	<i>Hypsipetes leucocephalus</i>
Mountain Bulbul	1	B		3	<i>Hypsipetes mccllellandii</i>
Red-vented Bulbul	9	B	D	3	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>
Winter Wren	1	B		1	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>
Streak-breasted Scimitar-babbler	1	B		1	<i>Pomatorhinus ruficollis</i>
Rufous-capped Babbler	3	B		1	<i>Stachyris ruficeps</i>
Jungle Babbler	2		D	3	<i>Turdoides striatus</i>
Large Grey Babbler	1		D	3	<i>Turdoides malcolmi</i>
Green Shrike Babbler	1	B		1	<i>Pteruthius xanthochlorus</i>
Rufous-winged Fulvetta	4	B		2	<i>Alcippe castaneiceps</i>
White-browed Fulvetta	3	B		1	<i>Alcippe vinipectus</i>
Nepal Fulvetta	1	B		1	<i>Alcippe nipalensis</i>
Red-tailed Minla	1	B		2	<i>Minla ignotincta</i>
Blue-winged Minla	1	B		1	<i>Minla cyanouroptera</i>
Chestnut-tailed Minla	1	B		2	<i>Minla strigula</i>
Rufous Siberia	8	B		2	<i>Heterophasia capistrata</i>
Whiskered Yuhina	2	B		3	<i>Yuhina flavicollis</i>
Stripe-throated Yuhina	2	B		3	<i>Yuhina gularis</i>
Rufous-vented Yuhina	1	B		3	<i>Yuhina occipitalis</i>
Hoary-throated Barwing	1	lh	B	2	<i>Actinodura nipalensis</i>
Chestnut-crowned Laughing-thrush	2	B		1	<i>Garrulax erythrocephalus</i>
Striated Laughing-thrush	3	B		1	<i>Garrulax striatus</i>
Streaked Laughing-thrush	1	B		2	<i>Garrulax lineatus</i>
White-throated Laughing-thrush	4	B		3	<i>Garrulax albogularis</i>
Red-throated Flycatcher	1		D	1	<i>Ficedula parva</i>
Ultramarine Flycatcher	1	B		1	<i>Ficedula superciliaris</i>
Rufous-gorgeted Flycatcher	2	B		1	<i>Ficedula strophciata</i>
Grey-headed Canary Flycatcher	6	B		2	<i>Culicicapa ceylonensis</i>

Small Niltava	1	lh	B	1	<i>Niltava macgrigoriae</i>	
Verditer Flycatcher	7		B	2	<i>Eumyias thalassina</i>	
Blue-throated Flycatcher	1		B	1	<i>Cyornis rubeculoides</i>	
Asian Paradise-Flycatcher	1			D	1	<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>
White-throated Fantail	1		B	3	<i>Rhipidura albicollis</i>	
Yellow-bellied Fantail	1		B	1	<i>Rhipidura hypoxantha</i>	
Grey-hooded Warbler	6	lh	B	2	<i>Seicercus xanthoschistos</i>	
Chestnut-crowned Warbler	1		B	1	<i>Seicercus castaniceps</i>	
Slaty-bellied Tesia	-	lh	B	-	<i>Tesia olivea</i>	
Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler	1	lh	B	1	<i>Cettia fortipes</i>	
Brown Bush Warbler	2		B	1	<i>Bradypterus luteoventris</i>	
Ashy Prinia	2			D	2	<i>Prinia socialis</i>
Striated Prinia	1		B	1	<i>Prinia criniger</i>	
Zitting Cisticola	1			D	1	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
Common Tailorbird	1			D	1	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>
Lesser Whitethroat	2			D	1	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>
Greenish Warbler	1			D	1	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>
Blyth's Leaf Warbler	1		B	1	<i>Phylloscopus reguloides</i>	
Yellow-vented Warbler	1		B	2	<i>Phylloscopus cantator</i>	
Pale-rumped Warbler ♀	2		B	1	<i>Phylloscopus chloronotus</i>	
Ashy-throated Warbler	2		B	1	<i>Phylloscopus maculipennis</i>	
Bluethroat	1			D	1	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>
Black Redstart	1			D	1	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>
Hodgson's Redstart	8		B	3	<i>Phoenicurus hodgsoni</i>	
Blue-fronted Redstart	7		B	2	<i>Phoenicurus frontalis</i>	
Brown Rock-Chat	1			D	1	<i>Cercomela fusca</i>
Oriental Magpie Robin	4		B	D	1	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>
Indian Robin	1			D	1	<i>Saxicoloides fulicata</i>
White-capped Water Redstart	7		B	2	<i>Chaimarrornis leucocephalus</i>	
Plumbeous Water Redstart	9		B	3	<i>Rhyacornis fuliginosus</i>	
Slaty-backed Forktail	1		B	1	<i>Enicurus schistaceus</i>	
Spotted Forktail	2		B	1	<i>Enicurus maculatus</i>	
Little Forktail	1		B	1	<i>Enicurus scouleri</i>	
Brown Dipper	7		B	2	<i>Cinclus pallasi</i>	
Common Stonechat ♀	2		B	1	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>	
Grey Bush-chat	3		B	2	<i>Saxicola ferrea</i>	
Blue-capped Rock Thrush	1		B	1	<i>Monticola cinclorhynchus</i>	
Chestnut-bellied Rock Thrush	1		B	1	<i>Monticola rufiventris</i>	
Blue Rock Thrush	2		B	1	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>	
Blue Whistling Thrush	8		B	3	<i>Myophonus caeruleus</i>	
Dark- (Black-) throated Thrush	2		B	2	<i>Turdus ruficollis</i>	
White-collared Blackbird	6		B	1	<i>Turdus albocinctus</i>	
Green-backed Tit	10		B	3	<i>Parus monticolus</i>	
Rufous-vented Tit	2		B	1	<i>Parus rubidiventris</i>	
Coal Tit	2		B	1	<i>Parus ater</i>	
Black-throated Tit	1		B	2	<i>Aegithalos concinnus</i>	
Rufous-fronted Tit	4		B	2	<i>Aegithalos iouschistos</i>	
Yellow-browed Tit	3		B	3	<i>Sylviparus modestus</i>	
Rusty-flanked Treecreeper	1		B	1	<i>Certhia nipalensis</i>	
White-tailed Nuthatch	2		B	1	<i>Sitta himalayensis</i>	
Wallcreeper	1		B	1	<i>Tichodroma muraria</i>	
Olive-backed Pipit	5		B	2	<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>	
Paddyfield Pipit	1			D	1	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>
Rosy Pipit	1			D	1	<i>Anthus roseatus</i>
Grey Wagtail	1		B	1	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	
White Wagtail	7		B	3	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	
Yellow Wagtail	1			D	1	<i>Motacilla flava</i>
Citrine Wagtail	1			D	4	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>
Oriental White-eye	7		B	D	2	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>
Purple Sunbird	3			D	1	<i>Nectarinia asiatica</i>
Black-throated Sunbird	3		B	1	<i>Aethopyga saturata</i>	
Mrs Gould's Sunbird	4		B	2	<i>Aethopyga gouldiae</i>	
Fire-breasted Flowerpecker	2		B	2	<i>Dicaeum ignipectus</i>	

House Sparrow	3		D	3	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
Eurasian Tree Sparrow	7	B		3	<i>Passer montanus</i>
Russet Sparrow	8	B		3	<i>Passer rutilans</i>
Altai (Himalayan) Accentor	1	B		3	<i>Prunella himalayana</i>
Rufous-breasted Accentor	5	B		1	<i>Prunella strophciata</i>
Common Rosefinch	1	B		1	<i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i>
Dark-breasted Rosefinch	1	B		1	<i>Carpodacus nipalensis</i>
Crested Bunting	1	B		1	<i>Melophus lathami</i>
Little Bunting	2	B		1	<i>Emberiza pusilla</i>

**TAXONOMIC NOTES** (following *Birds of the World: A Checklist*, 5<sup>th</sup> edition, 2000, by J.F. Clements)

- \* Great Egret is now placed in the genus *Ardea* instead of *Egretta* or *Casmerodius*.
- \* Gull-billed Tern is now moved from genus *Gelochelidon* to *Sterna*.
- ⌚ House Swift has recently been split into two species: Little Swift (*A. affinis*), in Africa and Peninsula India (seen in Delhi); and House Swift (*A. nipalensis*), which nests in Bhutan but was not seen. House Swift has a more forked tail and narrower rump band. Apparently they do not interbreed in zones of contact in the low Himalayas. Grimmett and Inskipp do not recognize this split.
- ↪ Pale-rumped Warbler (*P. chloronotus*) is a recent split from Lemon-rumped (*P. proregulus*). Both used to be known as Pallas's Warbler. *P. chloronotus* nests in Bhutan (and was seen on territory in Trongsa). *P. proregulus* may pass through India on its way to Siberian breeding grounds, and also nests in the West Himalayas. Grimmett and Inskipp do not recognize this split.
- ↪ Common Stonechat is now split from African Stonechat. It is now named *S. rubicola* since the African Stonechat was described first and thus retains the original name *S. torquata*. The subspecies seen in Bhutan is *S. r. maura*, which may be further split in future as Siberian Stonechat.

**MAMMALS** (following 'The Book of Indian Animals' by S.H.Prater)

Common Langur	3	B		3	<i>Presbytis entellus</i>
Assamese Macaque	6	B		3	<i>Macaca assamensis</i>
Himalayan Yellow-throated Marten	1	B		1	<i>Martes flavigula</i>
Five-striped (Northern) Palm Squirrel	3		D	3	<i>Funambulus pennanti</i>
Himalayan Striped Squirrel	5	B		1	<i>Callosciurus maccllelandi</i>
Nilgai	1		D	3	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>
Muntjac	1	lh	B	1	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>
Wild Boar	1	B		1	<i>Sus scrofa</i>

The vole seen at Paro is most likely to have been Sikkim Vole, *Pitymys sikimensis*. Also seen in captivity was the Takin, Bhutan's national animal, *Budorcas taxicolor*.

This list represents those birds and other animals seen by party members of this tour.

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