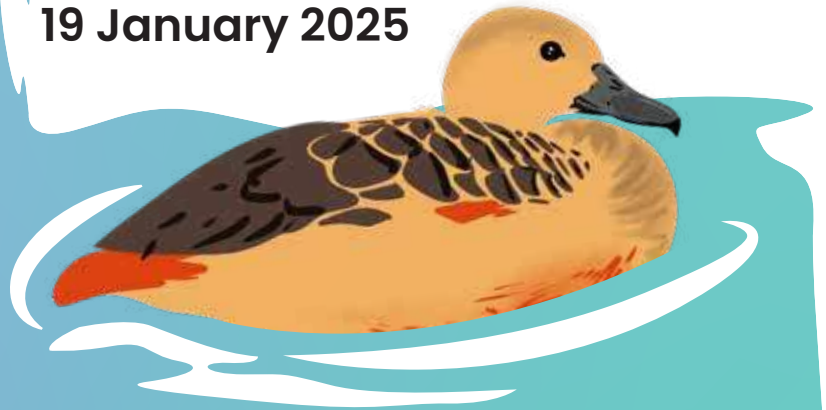


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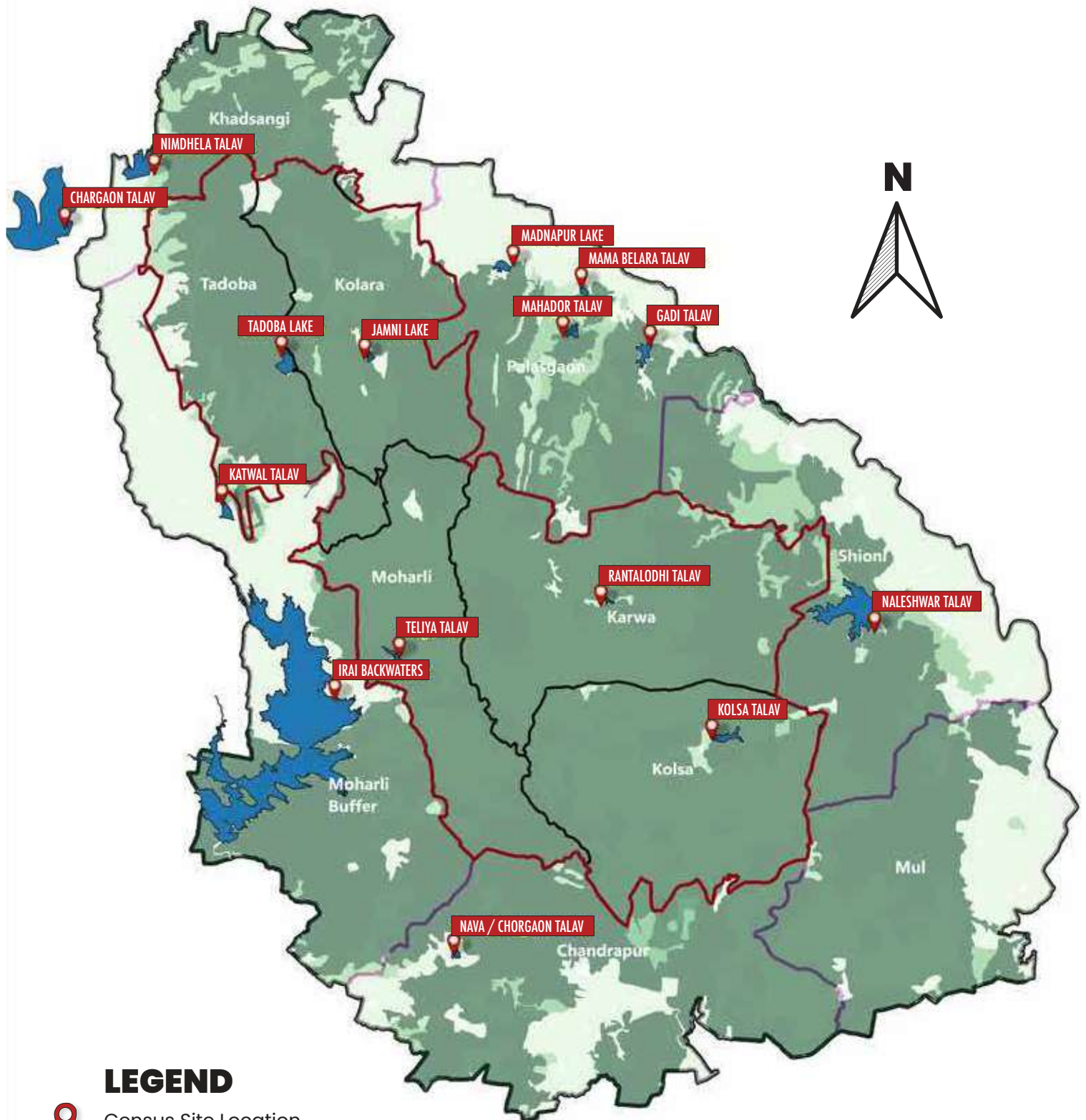
Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve,  
Chandrapur, Maharashtra

19 January 2025









## LOCATIONS COVERED

Map showing Asian Waterbirds Census 2025 sites in  
Core and Buffer of Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve, Chandrapur Maharashtra.



## LEGEND

-  Census Site Location
-  Census Site/Waterbody
-  Core Division Boundary
-  Buffer Division Boundary
-  Core Range Boundary
-  Buffer Range Boundary

**7,265**  
individual birds  
counted

## Highest birds in a waterbody

1. Irai Lake (3,906 individual birds)
2. Naleshwar Lake
3. Mahadore Lake

**101**  
total species  
counted

## Maximum individual species

- **Red-crested Pochard** (1,605 individuals)
- **Swallows** (1,161 total individuals)  
barn swallow, wire- tailed swallow, red rumped swallow, bank swallow

## Observations

- **Grey-headed Fish Eagle** numbers are good. They are very territorial.
- **Peregrine Falcon** recorded at Irai lake.
- **Brown-headed Gull** recorded at Irai lake.
- **Lesser Adjutant Stork** recorded in 3 waterbodies.
- **Black Stork** recorded in 2 waterbodies
- **Bar-headed Geese** recorded in 3 waterbodies
- **Waders** were a weak point in most observations. Couple of species were wrongly identified.
- **Lesser Whistling Duck** recorded at almost all waterbodies

## Reflections

- This activity should be carried out regularly to enable staff to identify birds better. **AWC SITE FORM** technical details need to be filled up for all sites.
- Birds are an indicator of the health of waterbodies :
- Low number of **Black-winged Stilts** indicate low pollution levels in waterbodies
- High no. of **Diving Ducks** and low no. of **Upending Ducks** could indicate unavailability of shallow feeding areas and deeper waterbodies. This is also reflected by less number of wading birds.





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Date : 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 2025		01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	Tot
Scientific Name	Common Name																
<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	Little Grebe					11		37			34	22	02	09			115
<i>Podiceps griseigena</i>	Red-necked Grebe																
<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>	Black-necked Grebe																
<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	Great Crested Grebe																
<i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i>	Great White Pelican																
<i>Pelecanus crispus</i>	Dalmatian Pelican																
<i>Pelecanus philippensis</i>	Spot-billed Pelican																
<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	Great Cormorant											02	02	21	32	01	058
<i>Phalacrocorax niger</i>	Little Cormorant	08		06	11	08	40	13			14	02	04	84	29	01	221
<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>	Indian Cormorant	07		05				05	109			01	02	122	32	01	284
<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>	Oriental Darter ***				02			12	26			01	01	37	09	01	089
<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	Grey Heron	08		01	04					03		06	01	14	03	03	043
<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	Purple Heron				01		01			02	01	04	01	11	01	02	024
<i>Ardea insignis</i>	White-bellied Heron													01?			01?
<i>Ardea goliath</i>	Goliath Heron																
<i>Ardea alba</i>	Great White Egret	02									12	08	02	12		04	040
<i>Metopophya intermedia</i>	Intermediate Egret	10	07	01					17			12	01	115	01	02	166
<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	Little Egret	03		03		18		06	38	20	40	27	04	84		04	247
<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	Cattle Egret				25			05	22	02	07	34	08	29		03	135
<i>Egretta gularis</i>	Western Reef-egret																
<i>Ardeola grayii</i>	Indian Pond-heron	10		04	05	03	10	20	31	05	11		06	11	01	01	118
<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	Black-crowned Night-heron											02				02	004
<i>Butorides striata</i>	Striated Heron															03	003
<i>Gorsachius melanoleucus</i>	Malaysian Night-heron																
<i>Botaurus stellans</i>	Great Bittern																
<i>Ixobrychus sinensis</i>	Yellow Bittern															02	002
<i>Ixobrychus flavicollis</i>	Black Bittern		08													01	009
<i>Ixobrychus ornamentalis</i>	Cinnamon Bittern													01		01	002
<i>Mycterna leucocephala</i>	Painted Stork								01			06			29	01	037
<i>Anastomus oscotans</i>	Asian Openbill	09		06	05		04	01	07			01	115	01	01		150
<i>Ciconia nigra</i>	Black Stork											02				02	004
<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	White Stork																
<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>	Woolly-necked Stork											01				01	002
<i>Ciconia boyciana</i>	Oriental Stork																
<i>Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus</i>	Black-necked Stork																
<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>	Lesser Adjutant				02									01		01	004
<i>Leptoptilos dubius</i>	Greater Adjutant																
<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>	Red-naped Ibis	10			15	01	25		08	11	03		04	24		01	102
<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>	Eurasian Spoonbill														01	02	003
<i>Threskiornis melanoleucus</i>	Black-headed Ibis	08			11	05	17	07	01	21		13		04	01	01	089
<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	Glossy Ibis		06										01	01	12	01	021
<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>	Greater Flamingo																
<i>Phoeniconaias minor</i>	Lesser Flamingo																
<i>Dendrocygna bicolor</i>	Fulvous Whistling-duck															02	002
<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>	Lesser Whistling-duck	27		65	22	100	62		54	16	59	11	07	154		01	578



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						05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	
Anser indicus	Bar-headed Goose													02	01	09	012
Anser anser	Greylag Goose													10		03	013
Anser albifrons	Greater White-fronted Goose																
Tadorna feruginea	Ruddy Shelduck						27			02					04	01	034
Tadorna tadorna	Common Shelduck		08				06	10								02	026
Carina scutulata	White-winged Duck																
Nettapus coromandelianus	Cotton Pygmy-goose				03	07	08	15	07		35	18		119		04	216
Anas platyrhynchos	Mallard													02		02	004
Anas acuta	Northern Pintail		15						02			04		29	03	01	054
Anas crecca	Common Teal		30			11					35	07	25	03	03	01	115
Anas poecilorhyncha	Western Spot-billed Duck								13		02			17		02	034
Anas querquedula	Garganey		07											02		03	012
Marmaronetta angustirostris	Marbled Teal																
Aythya tatarica	Common Pochard		11			10			56					04		02	083
Aythya nyroca	Ferruginous Duck		03													01	004
Aythya baeri	Baer's Pochard																
Aythya fuscata	Tufted Duck		18													01	019
Bucephala clangula	Common Goldeneye																
Oxyura leucocephala	White-headed duck																
Sarkidornis melanotos	Comb Duck													09		01	010
Mareca pinelope	Eurasian Wigeon		14					02	04					07		01	028
Mareca strepera	Gadwall								09							01	010
Mareca falcata	Falcated Duck															02	002
Spatula clypeata	Northern Shoveler										10					01	011
Nettion rufina	Red-crested Pochard		34						18			06		154 7			160 5
Mergus merganser	Common Merganser																
Grus nigricollis	Black-necked Crane																
Leucogeranus leucogeranus	Siberian Crane																
Grus grus	Common Crane																
Grus antigone	Sarus Crane																
Anthropoides virgo	Demoiselle Crane																
Rallus aquaticus	Water Rail										12						012
Rallus eurizonoides	Slaty-legged Crake																
Porzana fusca	Ruddy-breasted Crake																
Gallinula striatula	Slaty-breasted Rail																
Porzana pusilla	Baillon's Crake																
Amalmodramus akool	Brown Crake																
Gallinago cinerea	Watercock																
Porphyrio porphyrio	Purple Swampphen		04		10					01				92	01	02	110
Amalmodramus phoenicurus	White-breasted Waterhen				06			02	03		06	02		04	04	01	028
Gallinula chloropus	Common Moorhen				07					02		03		15			027
Fulica atra	Common Coot						02							210			212
Heterosus perssonii	Masked Finfoot																



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Scientific Name	Common Name	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	Tot
Metopidius indicus	Bronze-winged Jacana				06		02	04	03			01		20			036
Hydrophasianus chinensis	Pheasant-tailed Jacana				02	02	01					02		08			015
Rostratula benghalensis	Greater Painted-snipe											01	04				005
Dromas ardeola	Crab Plover																
Ibidorhynchos struthersii	Ibisbill																
Recurvirostra avosetta	Pied Avocet																
Haematopus ostralegus	Eurasian Oystercatcher																
Himantopus himantopus	Black-winged Stilt	06			04	09	02		04	03	22		08	15	01		074
Esacus recurvirostris	Great Thick-knee	04				08											012
Glareola maldivianum	Oriental Pratincole																
Glareola lactea	Small Pratincole																
Glareola pratincola	Collared Pratincole																
Vanellus vanellus	Northern Lapwing																
Vanellus malabaricus	Yellow-wattled Lapwing			01					01			04	02	03	01		012
Vanellus leucurus	White-tailed Lapwing																
Vanellus indicus	Red-wattled Lapwing	10		10	09	16	07	05	13	03	20	09	04	22			128
Vanellus duvaucelli	River Lapwing																
Vanellus gregarius	Sociable Lapwing										06						006
Vanellus cinereus	Grey-headed Lapwing															02	002
Pluvialis fulva	Pacific Golden Plover																
Pluvialis squatarola	Grey Plover										10						010
Charadrius placidus	Long-billed Plover																
Charadrius dubius	Little Ringed Plover	04		13		10			02		16		03		01		049
Charadrius alexandrinus	Kentish Plover			35													035
Charadrius leucorhinchos	Greater Sand Plover										04						004
Charadrius mongolus	Lesser Sand Plover				04						08						012
Limosa limosa	Black-tailed Godwit		12											01			122
Limosa lapponica	Bar-tailed Godwit																
Limnodromus semipalmatus	Asian Dowitcher																
Numerius phaeopus	Whimbrel																
Numerius arquata	Eurasian Curlew																
Tringa erythropus	Spotted Redshank												02				002
Tringa stagnatilis	Marsh Sandpiper														01		001
Tringa guttifer	Spotted Greenshank												02				002
Tringa glareola	Wood Sandpiper	04				03	02				06	02	02	02			021
Tringa totanus	Common Redshank	03		05								05	01				014
Tringa nebularia	Common Greenshank				02				03			01					006
Tringa ochropus	Green Sandpiper									04				01			005
Actitis hypoleucos	Common Sandpiper					02	04		04	04		02		02			018
Phalaropus lobatus	Red-necked Phalarope																
Scolopax rusticola	Eurasian Woodcock																
Gallinago solitaria	Solitary Snipe																
Gallinago megala	Swinhoe's Snipe																
Gallinago stenura	Pintail Snipe												03				003



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Scientific Name	Common Name	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	Tot
<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	Common Snipe								02			01	02				005
<i>Xerus cirereus</i>	Terek Sandpiper															02	002
<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Ruddy Turnstone																
<i>Limnocyptes minimus</i>	Jack Snipe																
<i>Calidris tenuirostris</i>	Great Knot																
<i>Calidris minuta</i>	Little Stint																
<i>Calidris temminckii</i>	Temminck's Stint																
<i>Calidris subminuta</i>	Long-toed Stint																
<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	Curlew Sandpiper																
<i>Calidris alba</i>	Sanderling																
<i>Calidris alpina</i>	Dunlin																
<i>Calidris pygmaea</i>	Spoon-billed Sandpiper																
<i>Limicola falcinellus</i>	Broad-billed Sandpiper																
<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	Ruff																
<i>Larus himpichii</i>	Sooty Gull																
<i>Larus ichthyaeetus</i>	Pallas's Gull																
<i>Larus ridibundus</i>	Black-headed Gull																
<i>Larus cachinnans</i>	Caspian gull																
<i>Larus brunicephalus</i>	Brown-headed Gull													01			001
<i>Larus genei</i>	Slender-billed Gull																
<i>Chlidonias hybrid</i>	Whiskered Tern																
<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	White-winged Tern																
<i>Gelochelidon nictica</i>	Common Gull-billed Tern																
<i>Sterna caspia</i>	Caspian Tern																
<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	Common Tern																
<i>Sterna albitrons</i>	Little Tern																
<i>Sterna saundersi</i>	Saunders's Tern																
<i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>	Sandwich Tern																
<i>Sterna aurantia</i>	River Tern			04	01	02			04	01			01	97			110
<i>Sterna bergii</i>	Great Crested Tern																
<i>Sterna bengalensis</i>	Lesser Crested Tern																
<i>Rynchops albigolis</i>	Indian Skimmer																
<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>	White-bellied Sea-eagle																
<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>	White-tailed Eagle																
<i>Haliaeetus leucorhynchus</i>	Pallas's Fish-eagle																
<i>Ichthyophaga humilis</i>	Lesser Fish-eagle																
<i>Ichthyophaga ichthyaeetus</i>	Grey-headed Fish-eagle	02			02			01				01	01	02			009
<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	Western Marsh-harrier													03			003
<i>Circus spionotus</i>	Eastern Marsh-harrier																
<i>Aquila heliacal</i>	Eastern Imperial Eagle																
<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine Falcon													01			001
<i>Haliastur indus</i>	Brahminy Kite													01			001
<i>Aquila clanga</i>	Greater Spotted Eagle										01						001
<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	Osprey													01			001

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Scientific Name	Common Name	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	Tot
<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>	Brown Fish-owl															01	001
<i>Ketupa ketupu</i>	Buffy Fish-owl																
<i>Ketupa favipes</i>	Tawny Fish-owl																
<i>Alcedo Heracles</i>	Blyth's Kingfisher																
<i>Alcedo althia</i>	Common Kingfisher			02	02		01		03	03	03	02	01	05	02	01	025
<i>Alcedo meninting</i>	Blue-eared Kingfisher																
<i>Halargopsis capensis</i>	Stork-billed Kingfisher				01						02	01		01			005
<i>Halcyon smymensis</i>	White-throated Kingfisher	06		01	03	01	02	02	02	03	04	01	01	12		01	039
<i>Halcyon coromanda</i>	Ruddy Kingfisher																
<i>Halcyon pileata</i>	Black-capped Kingfisher																
<i>Todramphus citreus</i>	Collared Kingfisher																
<i>Ceryle rudis</i>	Pied Kingfisher			04	01	02	01		01	01	02	02	03	06			023
<i>Megasceryx lugubris</i>	Crested Kingfisher																
<i>Ceryx erythraea</i>	Oriental Dwarf-kingfisher																
<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Barn Swallow	08									25			687			720
<i>Hirundo smithi</i>	Wire-tailed Swallow	03				09			68	15	120			27	04		246
<i>Hirundo daurica</i>	Red-rumped Swallow				06									59			065
<i>Motacilla alba</i>	White Wagtail												02				002
<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Bank Swallow ***										130						130
<i>Motacilla madagascariensis</i>	White-browed Wagtail	06			07	01			03	01			06	07			031
<i>Motacilla flava</i>	Yellow Wagtail			02									03	01			006
<i>Motacilla citreola</i>	Citrine Wagtail												02				002
<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	Grey Wagtail			03											01		004
<i>Anthus cervinus</i>	Red-throated Pipit						02		01	01							004
<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>	Water Pipit																
<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>	White-throated Dipper																
<i>Cinclus pelasi</i>	Brown Dipper																
	<b>TOTAL</b>	158	286	171	179	239	226	147	540	124	660	220	134	3906	179	094	



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