

NEPAL

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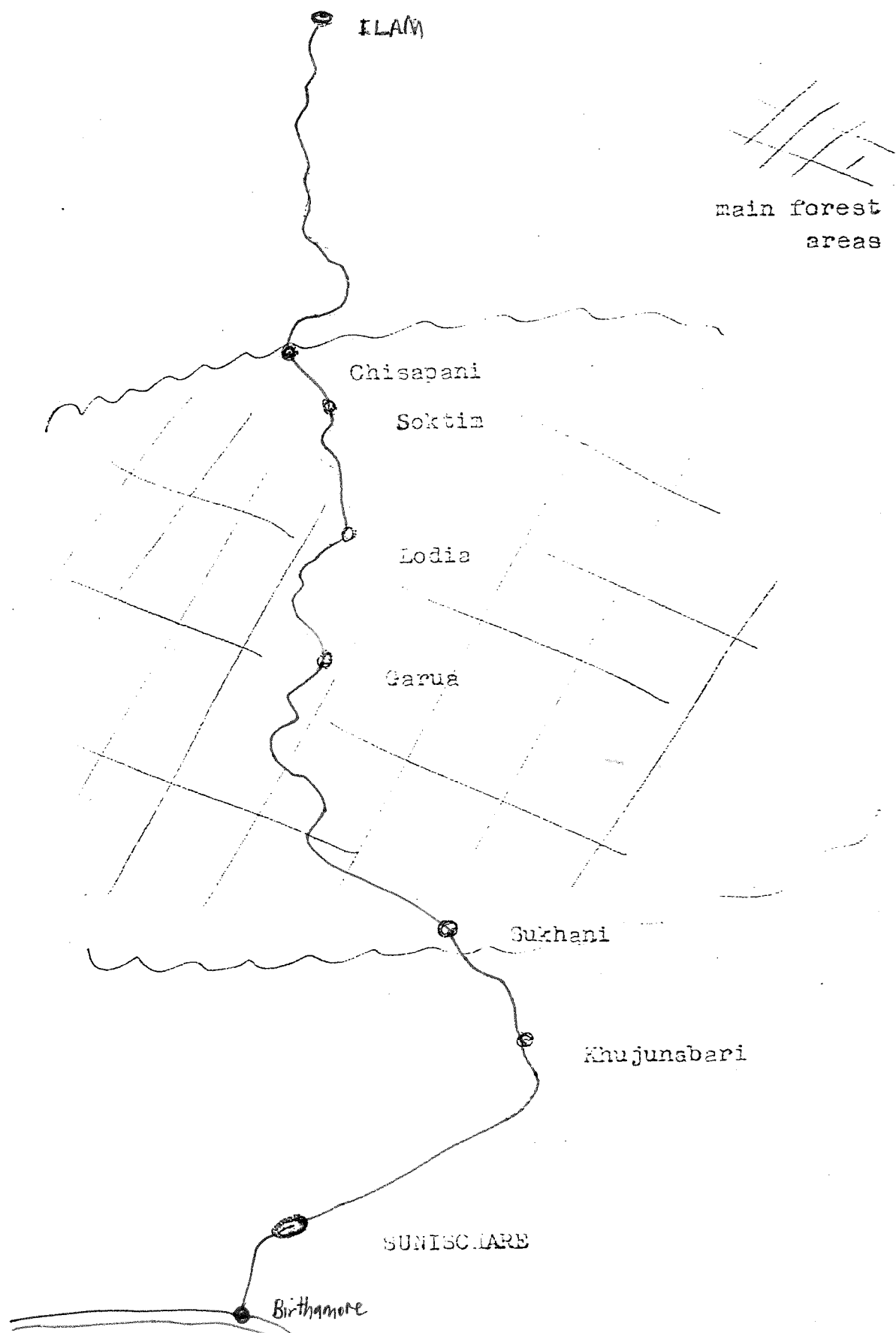
ITINERARY IN NEPAL

- December 13th. Crossed border at Birganj in the evening.
14th. Birganj to Kathmandu, bus.
15th-20th. Kathmandu.
21st. Kathmandu to Pokhara, bus.
22nd. Pokhara to Naudanda, on foot.
23rd. Naudanda to Khanre, on foot.
24th. Khanre to Birethanti, on foot.
25th. Birethanti.
26th. Birethanti to Ulleri, on foot.
27th. Ulleri to Ghoropani, on foot.
28th. Ghoropani.
29th. Ghoropani to Tatopani, on foot.
30th. Tatopani to Ghaza, on foot.
31st. Ghaza to Tukche, on foot.
- January 1st. Tukche to Marpha, on foot.
2nd. Marpha to Jomoson, on foot.
3rd. Jomoson to Lete, on foot.
4th. Lete to Ghaza, on foot.
5th. Ghaza to Tatopani, on foot.
6th. Tatopani to Chitre, on foot.
7th. Chitre to Ghoropani, on foot.
8th. Ghoropani to Tirkedhunge, on foot.
9th. Tirkedhunge to Birethanti, on foot.
10th. Birethanti to Khanre, on foot.
11th. Khanre to Pokhara, on foot.
12th. Pokhara.
13th. Pokhara to Kathmandu, bus.
14th-23rd. Kathmandu.
24th. Kathmandu to Birganj, bus.
25th. Birganj to BIRTHAMORE, bus.
26th. BIRTHAMORE to Sunischare, on foot.
27th. Sunischare to Sukhani, on foot.
28th. Sukhani to Garua, on foot.
29th. Garua to Chisapani, on foot.
30th. Chisapani to Ilam, on foot.
31st. Ilam.

Itinerary cont.....

- February 1st. Ilam to Garua, on foot and by jeep.
2nd. Garua to Sukhani, on foot.
3rd. Sukhani.
4th. Sukhani to BIRTHAMORE, on foot.
5th. BIRTHAMORE to Chatra, bus and land-rover.
6th. Chatra.
7th. Chatra to Koshi Barrage, land-rover and bus.
8th. Koshi Barrage.
9th. Koshi Barrage to Hetaura, bus.
10th. Hetaura to Saura, bus and on foot.
11th-12th. Saura, Chitawan.
13th. Saura to Birganj, on foot and by bus.
14th. Birganj to Kathmandu, bus.
15th-20th. Kathmandu.
21st. Kathmandu to Birganj, bus. Crossing into India
in the evening.

Villages mentioned which are between the main road at Birthamore and Ilam. Not accurate but a fair representation of their position.



GREAT CRESTED GRABE *Podiceps cristatus*

Phewa Tal, Pokhara, 12.1.74, 4 or 5.

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, one.

COMMON CORMORANT *Phalacrocorax carbo*

Koshi Barrage, fairly numerous, 7-8.2.74, with a flock of c.200 resting on the flats below the Dam on latter date.

Saura, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, up to 50 by the river.

GREY HERON *Ardea cinerea*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, several scattered about the river.

PURPLE HERON *Ardea purpurea*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, at least four.

INDIAN POND HERON *Ardeola grayi*

Widespread about all areas visited with any sort of wetland nearby but not seen anywhere between Pokhara and Joneson on the trek and not noted at Pokhara either although very little birding was done at Pokhara.

CATTLE EGRET *Bubuculus ibis*

Widespread about the terai and in the Kathmandu Valley and also seen between Pokhara and Kathmandu from the bus.

LITTLE EGRET *Egretta garzetta*

Kathmandu Valley, between Kathmandu and Pokhara, throughout the terai, and around Phewa Tal at Pokhara, fairly numerous with max flock of 150 between Sunischare and Khujunbari on 4.2.74.

YELLOW-BILLED EGRET *Egretta intermedia*

Seen in small numbers throughout the terai from Chitawan to Sunischare, usually in ones and twos.

GREAT EGRET *Egretta alba*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, quite a few scattered about the river.

Between Itahari and Birthemore, 5.2.74, at least two seen.

NIGHT HERON *Nycticorax nycticorax*

Bagnati Bridge, Kathmandu, 18 & 19.12.73, up to 6 at dusk.

CHRISTNUP BITTERN *Ixobrychus cinnamomeus*

Koshi Barrage, 7 & 8.2.74, single seen on each day in marsh at west end of Dam. (PAD, CWV)

(LITTLE GREEN HERON *Butorides striatus*
Saura, Chitawan, 12.2.74, one immature by the river.)

SPOONBILL *Platalea leucorodia*

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, flock of c.90 on flats below the Dam.

BLACK IBIS *Pseudibis papillosa*

Seen frequently about cultivation in the terrai in the vicinity of Sunischare and about Chitawan area and one at the Koshi Barrage on 8.2.74 and two between Hetaura and Lahan on 9.2.74.

LESSER ADJUTANT *Leptoptilus javanicus*

Quite a few about the eastern part of the terrai between Lahan and Sunischare in many places about cultivation. At Sunischare we counted seven birds standing on 4 nests in tree tops but no sign of any young or of sitting birds. Also one at Saura, Chitawan on 12.2.74 and two east of Ratnanagar on 13.2.74.

BLACK-NECKED STORK *Xenorhynchus asiaticus*

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, one on river below the Dam.
Saura, Chitawan, 12.2.74, two on river.

WHITE-NECKED STORK *Ciconia episcopus*

Quite a few about the terrai scattered in ones and twos up to half a dozen together in several places between Chitawan and Sunischare.

OPEN-BILL STORK *Anastomus esitans*

More or less the same remarks as applied to last species but not as numerous.

BLACK STORK *Ciconia nigra*

Khujunabari near Sunischare, 27.1.74, nine; 4.2.74, four plus.
Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, thirty-five together.
Saura, Chitawan, 11-12.2.74, one.

GREY LAG GOOSE *Anser anser*

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, count of 125 made above the Dam.

RUDDY SHELDUCK *Tadorna ferruginea*

Seen about most rivers in the terrai in small numbers but not seen east of the Koshi, count of 150 above the Koshi Barrage on 8.2.74. Also quite a few about Chitawan rivers.

MALLARD *Anas platyrhynchos*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.10 in marsh at west end of Dam.

SPOFBILL *Anas poecilorhyncha*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, six in marsh at west end of Dam.

GADWALL *Anas strepera*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.50 above the Dam.

PINTAIL *Anas acuta*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.5,000 above the Dam.

WIGEON *Anas penelope*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.5 mixed in with other duck above the Dam.

FALCATED TEAL *Anas falcata*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.80 together above the Dam.

TEAL *Anas crecca*

Jomson, 2.1.74, one.
Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.50 above the Dam.

GARGANEY *Anas querquesula*

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, c.6 mixed in with Teal above the Dam.

SHOVELER *Anas clypeata*
Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, c. 10 above the Dam

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TUFTED DUCK *Aythya fuligula*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.20 above the Dam.

FERRUGINOUS DUCK *Aythya nyroca*

Koshi Barrage, 7.2.74, 23 counted above the Dam.

POCHARD *Aythya ferina*

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, c.25 counted above the Dam.

GOOSANDER *Mergus merganser*

Trisuli River near Galochi, 13.1.74, a pair.

Saura, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, up to a dozen on the river.

Chatra, Koshi River, 5 & 6.2.74, five imm/fm on shingle banks were either this species or *Mergus serrator*.

BLACK-WINGED KITE *Elanus caeruleus*

Singles seen in the terai near Loki; Itahari, (four singles near here); and Ratnanagar (two).

BLACK KITE *Milvus migrans*

Seen about all areas that were visited where cultivation and habitation prevailed; but not seen between Tatopani and Jomson.

BRAHMINY KITE *Haliastur indus*

Khujunabari, one adult on 27.1.74.

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, quite a few about this area.

WHITE-EYED BUZZARD *Butastur teesa*

Khujunabari, 4.2.74, one.

PIED HARRIER *Circus melanoleucos*

Saura, Chitawan, 12.2.74, one male.

MONTAGU'S HARRIER *Circus pygargus*

Loki, 25.1.74, one male.

PALLID HARRIER *Circus macrourus*
Sunichare, 4.2.74, a pair

HEN HARRIER *Circus cyaneus*

Ghoroshi, 7.1.74, one male at about 10,000 ft.
Ilam, 31.1.74, one female.
Saura, Chitawan, 11.2.74, one male.
Tokha, near Kathmandu, 18.2.74, one male.

Harrier sp.

Unidentifiable Harriers, chiefly 'ringtails' were seen at:-
Pokhara, 12.1.74 (two m, one fm, either Pallid or Hen).
Sunischare, 27.1.74 (one m, prob Hen).
Lasia, 1.2.74 (one, silhouette only).
Chitawan area, 10-12.2.74, a few 'ringtails'.

MARSH HARRIER *Circus aeruginosus*

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, three or four about the marsh.
Saura, Chitawan, 11-12.2.74, a few seen.

CRESTED HONEY-BUZZARD *Pernis ptilorhynchos*

Pokhara, ~~22.12.73~~ 22.12.73, one pale bird (poss Siberian).
Lahan, 25.1.74, one very dark bird (poss 'ruficollis').

WHITE-TAILED EAGLE *Haliaeetus albicilla*

Two huge dark Raptors sitting on a distant sand-bank above the
the Koshi Barrage on 7.2.74 were possibly of this species.

LESSER FISHING-EAGLE *Haliaeetus nana*

Saura, Chitawan, 11-12.2.74, one.

BONELLI'S EAGLE *Hieraetus fasciatus*

Khenre, 23.12.73, one imm.
Birothanti, 24.12.73, one adult and one imm.

HODGSON'S HAWK-EAGLE *Spizaetus nipalensis*

Lodis, 20.1.74, one.

CHAROLABLE HAWK-EAGLE *Spizaetus lunatus*

Saura, Chitawan, 11.2.74 (two); 12.2.74 (one).

~~Booby~~ ~~White~~ ~~meridius penninus~~
Chitawan, one pale phase at Saura on 12.2.74 and two dark birds between Saura and Ratnanagar on 13.2.74

CRESTED SERPENT EAGLE *Spilornis cheela*

Several seen about the forest between Khujunabari and Sektim and at least one at Saura, Chitwan. Late Jan-early Feb.

BLACK EAGLE *Ictinaetus malayensis*

Birethanti, 10.1.74, one.

Kathmanu, singles at Gokarna on 16.12.73 and at Godavari, 19-20.1.74

GREAT SPOTTED EAGLE *Aquila clanga*

Kathmanu, 17.1.74, one adult between Patan and Godavari.

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, one immature about the marsh.

STEPPE EAGLE *Aquila nipalensis*

Widespread and often several together soaring about Chitawan, Sunischare-Khujunabari area and over the Kathmanu Valley.

A few seen soaring over valleys on the Pokhara-Joneson trek only near Dana on 30.12.73. Also seen about Ilam, 31.1.74.

GOLDEN EAGLE *Aquila chrysaetos*

One adult between Ghaza and Lete on 31.12.73.

LONG-LEGGED BUZZARD *Buteo rufinus*

Ratnanagar, 10.2.74, one.

Saura, Chitawan, 11-12.2.74, one.

Tokha, Kathmanu, 18.2.74, one.

COMMON/STEPPE BUZZARD *Buteo buteo/vulpinus*

Several smallish Buteos were seen:-

Ghoropani, 28.12.73, one.

Kathmanu, 21.1.74, one near Nagarjun.

Chisapani, 1.2.74, one.

Ilam, 31.1.74, one.

Between Hetaura and foothills, 21.2.74, one.

BUZZARD sp.

Gokarna, Kathmanu, 16.12.73, one.

Between Patan and Godavari, Kathmanu, 17.1.74, one.

These two birds were large-looking and were possibly Upland (*B. hemilasius*)

SPARROW-HAWK *Accipiter nisus*

Kathmandu, 20.12.73, male at Swaysambu; female there on 22.1.74.
Chitre, 29.12.73, one male; 7.1.74, one.
Between Ghaza and Lete, 31.12.73, one.
Pokhara, 12.1.74, female near the Airfield.

Sparrow-hawk sp.

Unidentifiable Accipiters, possibly the above species:-

Birethanti, 24.12.73, one female.
Between Marpha and Jomsom, 2.1.74, one.
Between Ghaza and Tatopani, 5.1.74, one.
Kathmandu, 18.1.74, one at Godavari.
Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, one female.

SHIKRA *Accipiter badius*

Saura, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, at least two seen.

CRESTED GOSHAWK *Accipiter trivirgatus*

Between Sukhani and Garua, singles seen several times in the forest, 28.1., 2, 3 & 4.2.74.

OSPREY *Pandion haliaetus*

Chatra, Koshi River, 5.2.74, one.
Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, two on each day.
Saura, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, a few seen daily.

LAMMERGEIER *Gypsetus barbetus*

Seen daily throughout the length of the trek from Pokhara to Jomsom and back, end Dec 73-mid Jan 74.

EGYPTIAN VULTURE *Neophron percnopterus*

Several seen between Pokhara and Khaure on the trek but not beyond Khaure. Noted about Pokhara and also throughout the terrai from Chitawan to ~~Xxxxxxxx~~ the Koshi River but not noted east of the Koshi or about Kathmandu Valley.

KING VULTURE *Torgos calvus*

Kathmandu, 19.12.73, one near Patan

King Vulture cont....

Several noted along the trek from Pokhara to Tatopani but not seen between Tatopani and Jomsom, Dec 73-Jan 74.

Pokhara, 21.12.73 & 12.1.74, two seen.

BLACK VULTURE *Aegypius monachus*

Pokhara, 21.12.73, two.; 19.1.74, two by Phewa Tal.

Ghoropani, 26.12.73, three.

Tatopani, 29.12.73, one.

Birethanti, 9.1.74, one.

Sunischare, 26.1.74, three.

Khujunabari, 27.1.74, one.

Sukhani, 2.2.74, one.

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, four.

Ratnagar, 10.2.74, one; 13.2.74, one.

HIMALAYAN GRIFFON *Gyps himalayensis*

Seen throughout the trek from Pokhara to Jomsom, daily, and about Pokhara itself, Dec 73 - Jan 74.

Ilam, 31.1.74, two or three.

Chisapani, 1.2.74, one.

GRIFFON VULTURE *Gyps fulvus*

Saura, Chitawan, 11-12.2.74, a bird believed to be of this species seen on both days.

WHITE-BACKED VULTURE *Gyps bengalensis*

Kathmandu, 16.2.74, three over the Bagmati Bridge.

Widespread and common in the terai from Chitawan to Sunischare in late Jan-mid Feb 74.

Not seen anywhere between Pokhara and Jomsom, but quite a few about Pokhara. Not seen about Ilam.

(Collected)

RUFOUS-NECKED FALCONET *Microhierax caerulescens*

Lofia, 29.1.74, two.

Sukhani, 2.2.74, one - seen to capture a Crested Tree Swift.

Coetra, 6.2.74, one c.4 miles upriver from the town.

PEREGRINE *Falco peregrinus*

Saura, Chitawan, 13.2.74, an adult male seen well was considered to be referable to the race *F.p. japonensis*.

Shahin (*F.p. peregrinator*)

Chatra, Koshi River, 6.2.74, one adult carrying a *Drongo* sp.

LESSER KESTREL *Falco naumanni*

Between Ghaza and ^{Dana}~~Chitawan~~, 5.1.74, one male.

Suikhet, 11.1.74, a pair seen well.

KESTREL *Falco tinnunculus*

Kestrels were seen in many places but only the following were definitely identifiable as 'tinnunculus':-

Several on the trek between Pokhara and Dana, but no Kestrels whatsoever were seen between Dana and Jameson apart from the male 'naumanni' referred to above.

A few seen about the Kathmandu Valley, and in several places in the terrai i.e. Sunichara, Ilam, Hetaura, Koshi Barrage and at Saura, Chitawan.

BLACK FRANCOLIN *Francolinus francolinus*

Saura, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, c.5 seen.

HILL-PARTRIDGE sp. *Arborophila* sp.

Godavari, Kathmandu, 18.1.74, two glimpsed, near the School.

RED JUNGLE FOWL *Gallus gallus*

Sukhani, 3.2.74, four (1♂, 3♀).

Saura, Chitawan, 11.2.74, one cock.

KALEEU PHEASANT *Lophura leucomelana*

Kathmandu, 16.12.73, c.8 at Gokarna; 17-18.1.74, 6 at Godavari; 21.1.74, five at Nagarjun.

Birds believed to be of this species were glimpsed at Ghorepani on 28.12.73 (pair) and between Ghorepani and Ulleri (cock) on 8.1.74.

PEAFOWL *Pavo cristata*

Sukhani, 4.2.74, one calling from the forest at dawn.
Saurs, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, plenty about this area.

MOORHEN *Callinula chloropus*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, several about the marsh.

WHITE-BELLIED WATERHEN *Anaerornis phoenicurus*

Three seen about wet fields c.30 km west of Kathmandu, on the road to Pokhara, 21.12.73.

Quite a few about fields and wet ground between Junisohare and Khujunabari and about the Kosi Barrage; also several about wet areas at Chitawan. nb. only one seen at the Koshi, 8.2.74.

RUDDY CRAKE *Anaerornis fuscus*

Koshi Barrage, 7 & 8.2.74, singles at the marsh on each day.

PURPLE GALLINULE *Porphyrio porphyrio poliocephala*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, numerous about the marsh.

BLACK-BREASTED BUSTARD-WAIL *Turnix suscitator*

Khujunabari, 4.2.74, a pair seen well.

GREAT STONE PLOVER *Esacus recurvirostra*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, four on river above the dam.

LITTLE PRAPINCOLE *Gareola lactea*

Chatra, Koshi River, 5.2.74, c.100 on shingle banks.
Khujunabari, 4.2.74, two by the river.
Saurs, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, quite a few about the river.

YELLOW-WATTLED PLOVER *Vanellus malabaricus*

Garus, 28.1.74 & 2.2.74, one by the river in fields.

GREY-HEADED PLOVER *Vanellus cinereus*

Kathmandu, 16.12.73, five by the river at Bokarna.

LAPWING *Vanellus vanellus* Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, 85-90 on sand banks below the dam

RED-WATTLED PLOVER *Vanellus indicus*

Seen frequently about cultivation in the low-lying areas visited and by most rivers in the lower areas.

Pair about valley near Suikhet were the only ones seen from Pokhara to Jomson.

Noted on the Bagmati River at Kathmandu on 21.1.74

On the walk to Ilam noted by riverside cultivation at Ledia, and several between Birtamore and Khujunbari.

Quite a few about the Koshi Barrage area and around Chitawan.

SPUR-WINGED PLOVER *Vanellus duvaucelii*

Seen about most rivers in the terai.

Several between Sunischare and Khujunbari and on walk up to Ilam was noted at Garua and Ledia.

Plenty about the Koshi River at Chitra and the Barrage in scattered pairs. Scattered pairs about rivers at Chitawan.

LITTLE RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius dubius*

Seen about most rivers that were visited, throughout the terai from Chitawan to Khujunbari, Kathmandu rivers; but not seen about Pokhara or on the trek to Jomson.

KENTISH PLOVER *Charadrius alexandrinus*

Kathmandu, 20.1.74, four on Bagmati River.

One on river between Metsura and Lahan, prob Bagmati, 25.1.74.
Saura, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, at least two on the river.

CURLEW *Numenius arquata*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.15 by the river.

WOODCOCK *Scolopax rusticola*

Kathmandu, 19.1.74, one flushed at Godavari.

PINPALE SNIBE *Capella stenura*

Sunischare, 26.1., 27.1., & 4.2.74, a few flushed from wet fields.
Saura, Chitawan, 12.2.74, one flushed.

COMMON SNIBE *Capella gallinago*. Sunischare, 27.1 & 4.2.74, two or three flushed on each date

WOOD SANDPIPER *Tringa glareola*

Khujunabari, 27.1.74, one by the river.

GREEN SANDPIPER *Tringa sechellana*

Seen about most rivers that were visited in the terai from Chitawan to Sunischara and in Kathmandu Valley. On the trek from Pokhara to Jomsan only noted at Suikhet. Noted at Ledia and Garua on the way up to Ilam.

COMMON SANDPIPER *Tringa hypoleucos*

Same sort of distribution as the last species but not seen anywhere about Pokhara or on trek to Jomsan and not seen after Khujunabari on walk to Ilam.

RODSHANK *Tringa totanus*

Kathmandu, 20.1.74, two on the Bagmati River. Saura, Chitawan, 12.2.74, one on the river.

GREENSHANK *Tringa nebularis*

Kathmandu, 20.1.74, one on the Bagmati River. Seen frequently about rivers in the terai from Chitawan to Sunischara, usually in ones and twos but counts of c.20 at Khujunabari on 27.1.74 and c.150 plus at the Koshi Barrage on 8.2.74.

LITTLE STINT *Calidris minuta*

Saura, Chitawan, 12.2.74, two on the river.

REMNICK'S STINT *Calidris temminckii*

Kathmandu, seen frequently on the Bagmati with a count of c.50 on 20.1.74. Khujunabari, 27.1.74, 30 plus on the river.

Quite a few about the Koshi both at Chatra and the Barrage but not counted and at Saura, Chitawan on the river.

HERRING GULL *Larus orientalis*

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, one immature on the river.

one marsh.

GREAT BLACK-HEADED GULL *Larus ichthyactus*

Chatra, Koshi River, 5-6.2.74, single immatures.
Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, at least six.
Saure, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, up to six on the river.

BROWN-HEADED GULL *Larus brunicephalus*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.15-20 with the next species.

BLACK-HEADED GULL *Larus ridibundus*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.150 on sand banks by the dam.

SLENDER-BILLED GULL *Larus genei*

Koshi Barrage, 7.2.74, one adult; 8.2.74, one immature, with the above two species.

CASPIAN TERN *Hydroprogne tachegrava*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.12 on the river.

GULL-BILLED TERN *Colocheilus niloticus*

Koshi Barrage, 25.1.74, at least two; 7-8.2.74, c.20 about the river and nearby marshes.

RIVER TERN *Sterna aurantia*

Chatra, Koshi River, 5-6.2.74, three.
Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, c.8 about the river.
Saure, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, 2-3 daily on the river.

BLACK-BELLIED TERN *Sterna melanogaster*

Chatra, Koshi River, 5-6.2.74, two.
Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, six about the river.
Kajunabari, 27.1.74, two by the river.
Between Birthanore and Itahari, crossed by rivers, 5.2.74.
Saure, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, 1-2 daily on the river

COMMON TERN *Sterna hirundo*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, about six by the Dam.

WHISKERED TERN *Chlidonias hybrida*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, 15-20 by the river and about the marsh.

ROCK DOVE *Columba livia*

Between Dana and Ghaza, 30.12.73, two with Snow Pigeons.
Marpha, 3.1.74, six.

SNOW PIGEON *Columba leucenota*

Between Dana and Ghaza, 30.12.73, a flock of ten.
Between Marpha and Jomosen, 2.1.74, c.70.
Jomosen, 3.1.74, c.60 - possibly the above flock.

ASHY WOOD PIGEON *Columba pulchricollis*

Gokarna, Kathmandu, 15.12.73, twelve.

SPECKLED WOOD PIGEON *Columba hedgasanii*

Godavari, Kathmandu, 17.1.74, c.12 feeding in tree tops.

ORANGE-BREASTED GREEN-PIGEON *Trogon*

Saura, Chitawan, 12.2.74, six.

GREY-FRONTED GREEN-PIGEON *Trogon pompadora*

Chatra, 5 & 7.2.74, c.12 feeding in trees in the village.

BAR-TAILED CUCKOO-DOVE *Macropygia unchall*

Ledia, 1.2.74, six feeding in field at edge of forest.

EMERALD DOVE *Chalcophaps indica*

Saura, Chitawan, 11-12.2.74, one. (PAD)

RUFOUS TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia orientalis*

Naudanda, 11.1.74, two.

Kathmandu, 18-19.1.74, two at Godavari; 18.2.74, one at Tekha.
Several seen about forest from Garua to Ilam and about Sukhani.
Not seen about Ilam itself.

RED TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia tranquebariae*

Between Sunishare and Birtashare, 4.2.74, party of eight.
Saura, Chitawan, 13.2.74, one.

COLLARED DOVE *Streptopelia decaocto*

Common about Sunishare, Koshi Barrage and Chitawan.

SPOTTED DOVE *Streptopelia chinensis*

Fairly common and widespread in the terrai from Chitawan to Sunischare and up as far as Chisapani on the walk to Ilam. Seen in a few places about Kathmandu Valley and at Pokhara but not anywhere on trek to Jomson.

ALEXANDRINE PARAKEET *Psittacula eupatria*

Fairly numerous in the terrai around Sunischare and at Chitawan, also seen en route between these areas. On the walk to Ilam seen as far up as Chisapani.

RING-NECKED PARAKEET *Psittacula krameri*

The same remarks apply here as to the last species but not seen after Sukhani on the walk to Ilam.

SLATY-HEADED PARAKEET *Psittacula himalayana*

Tirkedhunge, 9.1.74, thirty in the valley.

Birethanti, 10.1.74, twenty.

Kathmandu Sisayhambhu 15.1.74 one

RED-BREADED PARAKEET *Psittacula alexandri*

Fairly numerous about the area between Birtamore and Sunischare to Sukhani but not seen elsewhere.

BLOSSOM-HEADED PARAKEET *Psittacula cyanocephala*

Fairly numerous in the terrai from Chitawan to Sunischare but not seen after Sukhani on the walk to Ilam.

LARGE HAWK-CUCKOO *Cuculus sparverioides*

Sukhani, 2.2.74, one. (PAL)

COMMON HAWK-CUCKOO *Cuculus varius*

Quite a few about Saura, Chitawan, 10-13.2.74.

BAY BANDED CUCKOO *Cacomantis sonnerati*

Sukhani, 3.2.74, one seen and heard.

LESSER GOUCAL *Centropus toucou*

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, a few about the marsh.

COUCAL or CROW-PHEASANT *Centropus sinensis*

Several about the marsh at the Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74 and one or two at Saura, Chitawan, 10-13.2.74.

LARGE GREEN-BILLED MALKHOA *Rhopodytes tristis*

Sukhani, 28.11.74, & 3.2.74, singles at edge of the forest. Chatra, 6.2.74, one about 2 miles upriver from the village. Saura, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, one in the forest.

[SCULLY'S WOOD OWL] *Strix aluco bidoulphi*

Lete, 4.1.74, two seen well. (HAD + ?)

(BROWN HAWK-OWL *Ninox scutulata*
One flew over the road at dusk between Itahari and the Mai River, 25.1.74.)

SPOTTED OWLET *Athene brama*

Noted about Kathmandu, Pehara, Chitawan, Birganj, Sunischara, Khujunabari, Sukhani.

HIMALAYAN BARRED OWLET *Glaucidium himalix cuculoides*

Sirethanti, singles on 24.12.73, 9.1.74. Several singles seen between Sukhani and Ilan, including one at Ilan, end Jan-early Feb 74.

JUNGLE BARRED OWLET *Glaucidium radiatum*

Saura, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, at least one seen daily.

COLLARED PYGMY OWLET *Glaucidium brodiei*

Lualle, 10.1.74, one.

EAGLE-OWL sp. *Bubo* sp.

Saura, Chitawan, 10.2.74, a huge Owl seen just after dusk was probably some kind of *Bubo*.

NIGHTJAR sp. *Caprimulgus* sp.

Saura, Chitawan, 10 & 12.2.74, singles seen after dusk.

HIMALAYAN SWIFLET *Collocalia brevirostris*

Some numbers about valleys on the trek from Pokhara to
Jomsom as far as Tatopani. Quite a few about Pokhara.
Masses about the Koshi River at dusk at Chatra, 5-6.2.74.
Quite a few about valleys between Lodia and Ilam and about
Ilam itself and on the return walk seen as far down as
Khujunabari, end Jan-early Feb 74.
Seen overhead at Dasek, 5.2.74 and quite a few around
Chitawan, 10-12.2.74.

PALM SWIFT *Cypsiurus parvus*

Suniscare, 27.1.74, six overhead.

BLYTH'S WHITE-RUMPED SWIFT *Apus pacificus*

Chatra, 5-6.2.74, numerous over the river at dusk.
Sivra, 9.2.74, overhead in late afternoon.
Saure, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, numerous over river in evenings.

LITTLE SWIFT *Apus affinis*

Common in the Kathmandu Valley, about Pokhara, also quite a
few seen between Lodia and Ilam and at Ilam, about Hetaura
and Birganj. Entering nests at Hetaura and Pokhara.

ALPINE SWIFT *Apus melba*

A few seen between Chisapani and Birthmore in ones and twos,
many about Chatra at dusk and several seen around Koshi Barrage.
Quite a few about the Chitawan area and hundreds flying about
a cliff face by the river, north of Hetaura, (14.2.74).

CRESTED TREE SWIFT *Hemiprocne longipennis*

Quite numerous in the terai about forest edges, seen in good
numbers about Khujunabari, Lodia, Sukhani, Chatra, Sivra,
and Chitawan.

STORK-BILLED KINGFISHER *Palangopsis capensis*

Saura, Chitawan, 11-12.2.74, one.

WHITE-BREASTED KINGFISHER *Halcyon smyrnensis*

Widespread about cultivated damp areas generally throughout the terai from Chitawan to Sunischare, in the Kathmandu Valley, about Pekhara and up to Suikhet on walk to Jameson. On walk up to Ilam noted about Lodia and Garua.

PIED KINGFISHER *Ceryle rudis*

Pekhara, 12.1.74, one by Phewa Tal.

Seen about rivers generally in the terai from Chitawan to Sunischare.

LARGE PIED KINGFISHER *Ceryle lugubris*

Birethanti, 25 & 26.12.73, one; 9.1.74, two singles.

Trisuli River, near Galochi, 13.1.74, one.

COMMON KINGFISHER *Alcedo atthis*

Birethanti, 9.1.74, one.

Suikhet, 11.1.74, one.

Between Pekhara and Kathmandu, 13.1.74, 2 or 3 singles.

Ilam, 1.2.74, one by the Mai River below Ilam.

Sunischare-Khujunabari, a few singles.

Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, a few singles.

Chitawan, 10-13.2.74, a few singles by rivers.

INDIAN ROLLER *Ceracias benghalensis*

Widespread about cultivation generally in the terai from Chitawan to Sunischare, about Pekhara and Suikhet,

Not seen in the Kathmandu Valley but one seen above Chisapani on 30.1.74.

BLUE-BEARDED BEE-EATER *Nyctyornis athertoni*

Birethanti, 25.12.73, one. (MCR)

Lodia, 29.1.74, one.

Sukhani, 3.2.74, one.

LITTLE GREEN BEE-EATER *Mereps orientalis*

Only seen in the terai where it was common in places in several spots from Chitawan to Sunischare.

LARGE INDIAN PIED HORNBILL *Anthracoeros malabaricus*

Lodia, 29.1.74, three in riverside forest.

Sukhani, 3.2.74, three in the forest.

Kathmandu, 17.1.74, three near Patan; 20.1.74, one by Bagmati.
Sunischare, 27.1.74, one.

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, two.

Saura, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, two.

Near Birganj, 13.2.74, two.

COPPERSMITH BARBET *Megalaima haemacephala*

Pokhara, 21.12.73 & 12.1.74, two or three seen.

GOLDEN-THROATED BARBET *Megalaima franklinii*

Godavari, Kathmandu, 18.1.74, several together.

GREAT HIMALAYAN BARBET *Megalaima virens*

Seen in ones and twos about Khanre, Ghorepani, Ulleri, near
Tirkezhunge (c.10), and Birsthanti on the Jomson trek.

Godavari, Kathmandu, 17.2.74, one plus.

Garua, 28.1.74, one and Lodia, 1.2.74, two.

GREEN BARBET *Megalaima zeylanica*

Seen frequently in the forest, especially about Coral Trees,
on the walk to Ilam at Garua, Lodia, between Garua and Sukhani,
about Sukhani.

Chatra, 5-7.2.74, in trees about the village.

Ratnanagar, 13.2.74, one seen somewhat east of the town.

BLUE-THROATED BARBET *Megalaima asiatica*

Widespread about hill forests but not on the terai itself.

Kathmandu Valley, seen about Gokarna, Godavari and Swayambhu.

~~XX~~ Not seen about Pokhara
or anywhere on the trek up to Jomson. Quite a few about forest
between Sukhani and Ilam and even about Ilam itself.

Chatra, 7.2.74, a few in trees about the village.

WRYNECK *Jynxterquilla*

Khanre, 23.12.73, one.

Khujunabari, 4.2.74, one.

Koshi Barrage, 7.2.74, two.

Saura, Chitawan, 10-13.2.74, three at least.

SPOTTED PICULET *Picumnus innominatus*

Khanre, 23.12.73, one.

Between Birethanti and Tirkeshunge, 9.1.74, one.

Godavari, Kathmandu, 18 & 19.1.74, singles seen.

Garua, 29.1.74, one.

RUFOUS-BELLIED SAPSUCKER *Hypopicus hyperythrus*

Godavari, Kathmandu, 18.1.74, c.4 in upper forest slopes.

PALE-HEADED WOODPECKER *Geinulus grantia*

Ledia, 1.2.74, one in a bamboo thicket (a female).

Sukhani, 3.2.74, one in vegetation by river.

SCALY-BELLIED WOODPECKER *Picus squamatus*

Ulleri, 27.12.73, one female.

Gheropani, 28.12.73 & 7.1.74, three or four.

BLACK-NAPE WOODPECKER *Picus canus*

A few seen in the forest about Garua, 29.1.74 & 2.2.74.

Chatra, 6.2.74, male in forest.

LESSER YELLOW-NAPE WOODPECKER *Picus chlorolephus*

Gokarna, Kathmandu, 15.12.73, one.

Sukhani, 28.1.74, two.

LARGE YELLOW-NAPE WOODPECKER *Picus flavinucha*

Several about forest between Sukhani to village above Chisapani.

Chatra, 6.2.74, three in the forest.

DARJEELING PIED WOODPECKER *Dendrocepus darjellensis*

Gheropani, 27-28.12.73 & 8.1.74, several about the forest.

FULVOUS-BREASTED WOODPECKER *Dendrocepus macul*

Between Tatepani and Sikka, 6.1.74, one.

Birethanti, 9-10.1.74, a few seen.

Several scattered birds seen on the walk up to Ilam from Khujunabari onwards, including at Ilam itself.

Saura, Chitawan, 10-12.2.74, several seen.

Kathmandu, 18.2.74, pair below Tokha.

Pokhara, one.

BROWN-FRONTED WOODPECKER *Dendrocoptes auriceps*

Kathmandu, noted at Tekha, Gokarna and Godavari.

Several noted in various places about Birethanti, 24.12.73 &
9-10.1.74.

GREY-CROWNED PYGMY WOODPECKER *Dendrocoptes canicapillus*

Quite a few about the forest between Sukhani and Chisapani.

Saura, Chitawan, 10-13.2.74, a few seen daily.

LARGE GOLDEN-BACKED WOODPECKER *Chrysocolaptes leucurus*

Birethanti, 24-25.12.73 & 10.1.74, three or four seen.

Quite a few about Birthemore-Sunischare-Sukhani area and ones
and twos about Lodia, Garua and Chisapani.

Hetauda, 13.2.74, two.

LONG-TAILED BROADBILL *Psalisemus dathousiae*

Chatra, 6.2.74, 15-20 in forest c.2 miles upriver from village.

? SKYLARK *Alauda arvensis*

Naudanda, 11.1.74, 30-40 in stubble, definitely the larger species.

SAND LARK *Calandrella raytal*

Quite a few about shingle and sandy river banks in the terai,
in the Sunischare-Majunabari river areas, about Koshi at Chatra
and the Barrage, and the river at Saura, Chitawan.

ASHY-CROWNED FINCH-LARK *Eremopteryx grisea*

Quite numerous about drier areas in the terai around riverside
fields and other open dry areas in various places from Chitawan
to Sunischare.

~~BENGAL BUSH-LARK~~ *Mirafra* ~~ASAMICA~~

Common about cultivation in the Sunischare-Birthemore area and
also noted about cultivation between Birthemore and Itahari and
at Saura, Chitawan.

SWALLOW *Hirundo rustica*

On the trek to Jomson it was not seen after Lumle but was apparently breeding at Noudanda.

Otherwise a fairly common and widespread species about lower areas and in the Kathmandu Valley. Breeding at Ilam.

RED-RUMPED SWALLOW *Hirundo daurica*

Quite numerous in some areas, being common about Pokhara and ~~xxxxxxx~~ but not seen anywhere on the trek to Jomson.

Also seen about several places in the Kathmandu Valley and in a number of places in the terai from Chitawan to Sunischara, and right up to Ilam.

CRAG MARTIN *Hirundo rupestris*

Seen about valleys from Suikhet to Ghaza on the Jomson trek but not beyond, 2312 Also one in mountains between Kathmandu and Birganj on 24.1.74.

INDIAN SAND MARTIN *Riparia paludicola*

Numerous about rivers in the terai from Chitawan to Sunischara also about river between Patan and Gadavari in the Kathmandu Valley and elsewhere in the Valley. Several in the Trisuli Valley between Pokhara and Kathmandu. Nesting here (Trisuli) and at Chitawan.

Suikhet, 11.1.74, one unidentified 'Riparia', prob *paludicola*.

ASIAN HOUSE MARTIN *Delichon ^{dasyus} ~~urbica~~*

Several flocks about Ilam and Chisapani, soaring over valleys. Between Lahan and Sinra, 9.2.74, one seen in the terai.

NEPAL HOUSE MARTIN *Delichon nipalensis*

Quite common in some areas between Pokhara and Birethanti, over valleys, also about Pokhara a few were seen.

Ghorepani, 28.12.73, three or four.

Chisapani, 1.2.74, at least one with *D.urbica* overhead.

TIBETAN SHRIKE *Lanius tephronotus*

Seen in a number of places; Kathmandu area; Pokhara; one or two seen daily on the trek to Jomoson even as high as Margha; one or two also seen daily on the walk up to Ilam, usually about clearings of cultivation by rivers and even at Ilam; also scattered birds in the terai from Sunischare to Chitawan.

BLACK-HEADED SHRIKE *Lanius nigriceps*

Fairly similar remarks apply to this species as to the last but generally not seen at such high elevations but seen at: Kathmandu area; Pokhara; on trek to Jomoson up as far as Leté (but only ones and twos; valley to Suikhet, Lumle, Chitre to Tatopani, about cultivation); Sunischare to Sukhani; Ilam; Lodia; and scattered birds in the terai from Chitawan to Sunischare.

Two at Chitre on 29.12.73 could possibly have been hybrids with *L. tephronotus* or *L. schach?*; top of head and nape was slaty in contrast to black forecrown and ear-coverts and the upper mantle was grey instead of rufous.

BAY-BACKED SHRIKE *Lanius vittatus*

One or two between Birganj and Hetaura, 14.12.73.

BROWN SHRIKE *Lanius cristatus*

One or two about Kathmandu; one between Birethanti and Tirkedhunge, 26.12.73; one or two scattered between Pokhara and Kathmandu, 13.1.74; fairly widespread in the terai about cultivation between Chitawan and Sunischare and seen right up to and about Ilam.

BLACK-HEADED ORIOLE *Oriolus xanthornus*

Fairly numerous in the forest from Sukhani to Chisapani and about forest at Saura, Chitawan.

MARCON ORIOLE *Oriolus traillii*

Noted in ones and twos in forest areas at Birethanti, 25.12.73; Uller, 27.12.73; Saktin, 1.2.74; Sukhani, 2-3.2.74.

ASHY WOODSWALLOW *Artamus fuscus*
Seen in small parties soaring over cultivated wide river valley between Birhamore and Khyjinabari and about Chitawan.

BLACK DRONGO (KING-CROW) *Dicrurus adsimilis*

Common and widespread about cultivation almost everywhere but not seen after Khanre on the trek to Jomson or after Garua on the walk up to Ilam. Common about Kathmandu.

ASHY DRONGO *Dicrurus leucophaeus*

Widespread about forest areas that were visited; Gokarna and Godavari at Kathmandu; and wooded slopes about Khanre, Birethanti and Tirkedhunge on the trek to Jomson; forest between Sukhani and above Chisapani; not seen at Chitawan.

BRONZED DRONGO *Dicrurus aeneus*

Scattered little parties seen about a number of forest clearings: Birethanti, three, 9.1.74; Pokhara, three or four by Phewa Tal, 12.1.74; scattered groups in several spots between Sukhani and above Chisapani, 28.1.74-3.2.74.

HAIR-CROSSED DRONGO *Dicrurus hottentottus*

Especially common about Coral Trees in the eastern Terai. Pokhara, 21.12.73, three. Widespread about Coral trees in the terai between Chitawan and Sunischare, up to above Chisapani on walk to Ilam. Also about Chatra.

LESSER RACKET-TAILED DRONGO *Dicrurus remifer*

Birethanti, 10.1.74, one.
Sukhani, 28.1.74, one.

GREATER RACKET-TAILED DRONGO *Dicrurus paradiseus*

Several in forest between Sukhani and Lodia, usually seen singly, 28.1.-3.2.74.

STARLING *Sturnus vulgaris*

Kathmandu, 20.1.74, one near the Bagmati River.

Gray-headed

GRAY-HEADED MYNNA *Sturnus malabaricus* (Chestnut Tailed Starling)

Kathmandu, 18.12.73, one near centre of city.
Pokhara, 12.1.74, one.

Fairly widespread, seen in small numbers about Coral trees, about Sunischare and up to Lodia in the south-east.

INDIAN TREE-PIE *Dendrocitta vagabunda*

Between Kathmandu and Pokhara, 21.12.73, one seen from bus.
Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74, two.
Chitawan, 10-13.2.74, a few seen.

HIMALAYAN TREE-PIE *Dendrocitta formosae*

Kathmandu, noted at Gokarna and Godavari.
Quite a few in places between Pokhara and Tirkedhunge.

NUCRACKER *Nucifraga caryocatactes*

Several seen about both Lete and Ghaza, 4-5.1.74.

CHOUGH *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax*

Large flock about Marpha and a few seen towards Jomson, 1-3.1.74.

RAVEN *Corvus corax*

Jomson, one, 3.1.74.

JUNGLE CROW *Corvus macrorhynchos*

Common almost everywhere and widespread, even one or two up
to between Marpha and Jomson, 2.1.74.

HOUSE CROW *Corvus splendens*

Less widespread than the latter species but common about
habitation in most places visited, including Kathmandu Valley
and Ilam but not seen anywhere between Pokhara and Jomson.

NEPAL WOOD-SHRIKE *Tephrodornis virgatus*

Several flocks in forest between Sukhani and Saktim.

COMMON WOOD-SHRIKE *Tephrodornis pondicerianus*

Ones and twos about forest edge at Sukhani and Khujunabari.

DARK-GREY CUCKOO-SHRIKE *Coracina melaschistos*

Two or three about forest, Sukhani, 28.1. & 3.2.74.

LARGE CUCKOO-SHRIKE *Coracina novaehollandiae*

Ones and twos in a number of localities in the lower hills.
Noted at Pokhara, Hongza, Naudanda, Khujunabari to Saktim,
Chatra and Chitawan

PIED FLYCATCHER-SHRIKE *Hemipus picatus*

Flocks seen in a number of forest localities:

Gokarna, Kathmandu; Birethanti; between Sukhani and Lodia; Chatra.

SCARLET MINIVET *Pericrocotus flammeus*

Flocks seen about a number of forest localities:

Gokarna, Swayambhu and Godavari, Kathmandu; Birethanti; Naudanda; forest between Sukhani and to above Chisapani; Chatra.

LONG-TAILED MINIVET *Pericrocotus ethologus*

Small parties seen about the forest at Gokarna and Tokha near Kathmandu; Naudanda; Tirkedhunge to Birethanti; at Pokhara; a few flocks between Sukhani and Garua;

SHORT-BILLED MINIVET *Pericrocotus brevirostris*

A single female in with a flock of Scarlet Minivets at Sukhani on 3.2.74 was the only one definitely identified.

SMALL MINIVET *Pericrocotus cinnamomeus*

Flock of c.15 at Sukhani on 3.2.74.
Flock at Saura, Chitawan, 12.2.74.

COMMON IORA *Aegithina tiphia*

Swayambhu, Kathmandu, one in Jan 74.
Seen in small numbers about forest edges at Saura, Chitawan; between Khujunabari and to above Chisapani; Chatra.

GOLD-FRONTED CHLOROPSIS *Chloropsis aurifrons*.

Several about forest edges in tree tops between Khujunabari and Lodia; Chatra and at Chitawan.

ORANGE-BELLIED CHLOROPSIS *Chloropsis hardwicki*

Several about tree tops, usually in pairs, noted at:
Gokarna, Kathmandu; Birethanti area; Chisapani and at Ilam.

(FAIRY BLUEBIRD *Irena puella*)
Sukhani, two, 27.1.74.

BLACK-CRESTED YELLOW BULBUL *Pycnonotus melanicterus*

Often in flocks in the forest between Sukhani and Saktim;
in forest around Chatra.

RED-WHISKERED BULBUL *Pycnonotus jocosus*

Seen in small parties about tree tops by edge of forest at Khujunabari and Sukhani.

WHITE-CHEEKED BULBUL *Pycnonotus leucogenys*

Common about hill cultivation generally but not seen beyond Ghana on the trek to Jomsom; noted from Garua onwards up to Ilam and about Chatra but not seen in the terai proper.

RED-VENTED BULBUL *Pycnonotus cafer*

Common about cultivation in lower areas generally, is not seen beyond cultivation below Chitre on trek to Jomson but common about Ilam and Kathmandu and all other areas visited.

STRIATED GREEN BULBUL *Pycnonotus striatus*

Godavari, Kathmandu, flock of c.12 on 17.1.74.

WHITE-THROATED BULBUL *Criniger flavocolus*

Fairly common in the forest between Sukhani and Lodia.

RUFIOUS-BELLIED BULBUL *Criniger hypsipetes virescens*

Tirkedhunge and Birethanti, one or two; Khanra, two; Godavari near Kathmandu, several parties; Garua, one; Sukhani, one.

BROWN-EARED BULBUL *Hypsipetes flavelus*

One or two small parties in the forest between Sukhani and Garua on 28.1.74.

BLACK BULBUL *Hypsipetes madagascariensis*

Big flocks about forest areas in a number of places: Gokarna, Swayambhu and Godavari near Kathmandu; various places on the Jomson trek as far as Ghoropani; between Khujunabari and Lodia; about Chatra.

SPOTTED BABBLER *Pellorneum ruficeps*

Ones and twos about forest stream cover in several spots between Sukhani and Ilam (including Ilam itself). Chatra, 6.2.74.

RUFIOUS-NECKED SCIMITAR-BABBLER *Pomatorhinus ruficollis*

Ghaza, two or three, 31.12.73.
Godavari, Kathmandu, two, 19.1.74.

RUSTY-CHEEKED SCIMITAR-BABBLER *Pomatorhinus erythrogenys*

Flocks in a few places:
Between Naudanda and Birethanti; Godavari, Nagarjun and Tokha near Kathmandu; Ilam, one, 31.1.74.

GREATER SCALY-BREASTED WREN-BABBLER *Pnoepygia albiventer*

Between Tirkedhunge and Birethanti, one, 9.1.74, not far from Tirkedhunge
Birethanti, one, 10.1.74.

BLACK-CHINNED BABBLER *Stachyris pyrrhops*

Small parties in a few places between Chandrakot (above Birethanti) and Ghaza on the Jomson trek.

Tokha, Kathmandu, one, 18.2.74.

GREY-BARED PARROTBILL *Paradoxornis nipalensis*

Small flock in small bamboo scrub between Chitre and Tatopani, 29.12.73.
Big flock near Birethanti, c.fifty, 10.1.74.

JUNGLE BABBLER *Turdoides striatus*

Several flocks about Ilam, 30-31.1.74.
Several parties about Saura, Chitawan.

WHITE-THROATED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax albogularis*

Huge flocks in a few localities: Godavari, Kathmandu; Khanre (c.50 plus);
at Sikka above Tatopani (c.50).

GREY-SIDED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax caeruleus*

Godavari, Kathmandu, 18.1.74, five with other *Garrulax* sp in upper slope

GREATER NECKLACED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax*

Parties seen in a number of places in the forest between Sukhani and
Soktim.

~~LESSER NECKLACED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax*~~

~~A few seen between Saru and Chisapani, often mixed in with flocks of
the latter species, 29.1.74.~~

STRIATED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax striatus*

Godavari, Kathmandu, a few seen, 18-19.1.74.

STREAKED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax lineatus*

Common in cover and scrubby slopes on the Jomson trek between above
Birethanti (at Chandrakot) and above Lete.

WHITE-CRESTED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax leucolophus*

Flocks noted at Birethanti; between Naudanda and Suikhet; some big
flocks at Godavari, Kathmandu.

VARIEGATED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax variegatus*

Seen in small numbers at several places between Ghasa to above Lete
and between Chitre and Ulleri.

WHITE-SPOTTED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax ocellatus*

One seen in bushy cover at forest edge, between Ghaza and Lete, 4.1.74.

RUFOUS-CHINNED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax rufogularis*

Two in forest cover above Suikhet, 11.1.74.

RED-HEADED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax erythrocephalus*

In hill slope cover between Naudanda to between Ghaza and Lete on the Jomson trek and also seen at Godavari near Kathmandu.

BLACK-FACED LAUGHING-THRUSH *Garrulax affinis*

In upper hill slope cover about Ghoropani and between Ghaza and Lete.

RED-BILLED LEIOTHRIX *Leiothrix lutea*

A couple of small parties seen in upper slope cover at Godavari near Kathmandu on 18.1.74.

RED-WINGED SHRIKE-BABBLER *Pteruthius flaviscapis*

Birethanti, 10.1.74, two.

GREEN SHRIKE-BABBLER *Pteruthius xanthochloris*

Several flocks seen about Ghoropani area between above Ulleri and above Chitre.

CHESTNUT-THROATED SHRIKE-BABBLER *Pteruthius melanotis*

Two or three singles in valley between Birethanti and Tirkedhunge and one at Godavari near Kathmandu on 18.1.74.

HOARY BAWING *Actinodura nipalensis*

Several parties in forest between Ulleri and Ghoropani.

RED-TAILED MINLA *Minla ignotincta*

Birethanti, one female, 25.12.73.

Noted about Saktim and Chisapani in small parties.

BLUE-WINGED MINLA *Minla cyanouroptera*

Several small parties seen; about Naudanda and Khanre; Birethanti; Godavari near Kathmandu; Ilam; Saktim.

STRIPE-THROATED SIVA *Minla strigula*

Several small parties seen about Naudanda and Khanre; Ghoropani and Tirkedhunge.

YELLOW-NAVED YUHINA *Yuhina flavicollis*

Several parties seen about Tirkedhunge; Ulleri; Birethanti and Ghaza on the trek to Jomson. Also several flocks at Godavari near Kathmandu and between Sukhani and Garua and above Chisapani.

STRIPE-THROATED YUHINA *Yuhina gularis*

One or two about forest between Chitre and Choropani and a flock between Choropani and Ulleri.

WHITE-BELLIED YUHINA *Yuhina zantholeuca*

A few mixed in with flocks of other stuff, noted about Naudanda and Birethanti on the Jomoson trek. Also quite a few about Godavari near Kathmandu. In the SE was seen in the forest from Sukhani to Sektin.

CHESTNUT-CAPPED TIT-BABBLER *Alcippe castaniceps*

Several flocks about undergrowth between Birethanti and Tirkedhunge and between Ghaza and Lete on the Jomoson trek.

WHITE-BROWED TIT-BABBLER *Alcippe vinipectus*

Fairly common in flocks in the undergrowth on the Jomoson trek from Ulleri to a mile or so above Lete.

NEPAL BABBLER *Alcippe nipalensis*

A flock in bushy cover near the school at Godavari, Kathmandu.

BLACK-HEADED SIBIA *Heterophasia capistrata*

Common in the forest in many places on the trek to Jomoson from Tirkedhunge to between Ghaza and Lete. Daman, one, 14.12.73. Also quite a few about Godavari near Kathmandu on 18.1.74.

(ABBOTT'S BABBLER *Trichastoma abbotti*)

(Sukhani, singles on 2 & 4.2.74.)

(RED-CAPPED BABBLER *Timalia pileata*)

(Saura, Chitawan, one, 11.2.74.)

YELLOW-BREASTED BABBLER *Macronous gularis*

Fairly numerous in small parties in forest cover between Sukhani and Sektin. Also seen about Chatra.

RED-HEADED TIT *Aegithalos concinnus*

Noted at Daman, 14.12.73. Several flocks between Ulleri and Ghaza and an isolated party at Kabon, a village south of Lukche on 3.1.74. Also several parties about Godavari and Tokha near Kathmandu.

BROWN CRESTED TIT *Parus dichrous*

Fairly numerous in small flocks above Choropani, ~~ix~~ down to almost Ulleri. An isolated party at Kabon, below Tukche on 3.1.74.

(CRESTED BLACK TIT *Parus melanophus*)

(Lete, one in conifers with other tits, 4.1.74.)

RUFIOUS-BELLIED BLACK TIT *Parus rubidiventris*

Fairly numerous in places between Ulleri and Chitre, especially above Choropani.

COAL TIT *Parus ater*

A party in conifers at Lete, 4.1.74.

GREY TIT *Parus major*

Fairly common in places about cultivated areas, noted Birethanti and from Pokhara to Naudanda on the trek to Jomson. In the SE was widespread from Sukhani to M Ilam, including about Ilam itself. Also seen about Chatra, Chitawan and Hetaura.

GREEN-BACKED TIT *Parus monticolus*

Common away from low-lying areas, noted on the Jomson trek up as far as to between Marpha and Jomson. Noted about Ilam but nowhere below Ilam. Widespread about the hills generally.

YELLOW-CHEEKED TIT *Parus xanthogenys*

Noted frequently on the Jomson trek from Suikhet to Tatopani; also in several places about Kathmandu valley.

YELLOW-BROWED TIT *Sylviparus modestus*

Seen in several places between Naudanda and Choropani in small numbers. Also at least one at Gokarna on 16.12.73 and also at Godavari on 18.1.74.

STOLICCA'S TIT-WARBLER

Several about bushy scrub on slopes from midway between Tukche and Marpha to midway between Marpha and Jomson, 1 & 2.1.74.

CHESTNUT-BELLIED NUTHATCH *Sitta castanea*

Widespread in forest areas, noted at: Kathmandu Valley; Birethanti; from Sukhani to Saktin; Chatra and about Saura, Chitawan. (Gokarna)

WHITE-TAILED NUTHATCH *Sitta himalayensis*

Seen in a number of places from Ulleri to between Ghara and Lete; also seen at Godavari, Kathmandu.

VELVET-FRONTED NUTHATCH *Sitta frontalis*

Fairly numerous in forest areas: Gokarna near Kathmandu; Birethanti area; Sukhani to Saktin and at Saura, Chitawan.

WALL-CREEPER *Tichodroma muraria*

Seen in ones and twos in many places between Dana and Jomson with other singles at Ulleri on 26.12.73, at Balaju near Kathmandu on 21.1.74 and above Chatra on 6.2.74.

STOLICZKA'S TREE-CREEPER *Certhia nipalensis*

A few in the forest about Ghoropani, One near Sikka (between Tatopani and Chitre) on 6.1.74.

HIMALAYAN TREE-CREEPER *Certhia himalayana*

Between Ghaza and Lete, 31.12.73, one definite.

Above Sikka (between Tatopani and Chitre), 6.1.74, one definite with a mixed flock of birds including *C. nipalensis*.

COMMON TREE-CREEPER *Certhia familiaris*

Godaveri, Kathmandu, 18.1.74, one definite, in upper forest.

nb. Tree-creepers either Himalayan or Common were seen singly also at Lete on 4.1.74 and at below Birkedhunge on 9.1.74 but views were not good enough to decide which.

WREN *Troglodytes troglodytes*

Seen singly several times by forest streams from Birethanti to below Marpha.

BROWN DIPPER *Cinclus pallasii*

Seen frequently about streams from Birethanti to just below Ghaza.

BROWN ACCENTOR *Prunella fulvescens*

Several about scrubby cover around Marpha (between Marpha and Jomson) and Jomson, 2-3.1.74.

ROBIN-ACCENTOR *Prunella rubeculoides*

A few about scrubby cover with the last species between Marpha and Jomson, 2-3.1.74.

RUFOUS-BREASTED ACCENTOR *Prunella strophias*

A few singles seen at Ulleri; Ghaza and Lete.

HIMALAYAN ACCENTOR *Prunella himalayana*

Ghoropani, 7.1.74, a party of 12-15 at c.10,000'

ALPINE ACCENTOR *Prunella collaris*

Ghaza, 5.1.74, six c.1 mile south of village.

YELLOW-BELLIED FANTAIL *Rhipidura hypoxantha*

Fairly common about xxn forest hilly areas: Kathmandu Valley; above Naudanda in the foothills; on the Jomson trek up as far as Ulleri but one or two between Chitre and Tatopani also; and from Sukhani to Ilam, including Ilam itself.

WHITE-THROATED FANTAIL *Rhipidura albicollis*

Seen in ones and twos in a number of hilly forested spots: Naudanda; Birethanti; Ulleri; Ghaza; Saktim and Chisapani.

GREY-HEADED FLYCATCHER *Culicicapa ceylonensis*

Common in forested hilly areas generally but not seen xxvz anywhere on the Jomson trek although several about Pokhara; Kathmandu Valley; from Birthanore over the cultivated stretch to Sukhani and right up to Ilam it was fairly numerous; Chatra.

BLACK-NEPED BLUE-FLYCATCHER *Monarcha azurea*

Garua, 29.1.74, one male.

RED-BREASTED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula parva*

Common generally in all areas around lower hills that were visited but not seen on the Jomson trek at all although it was at Pokhara; it was seen up at Ilam and about Chitawan.

ORANGE-GORGHEDED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula strophiate*

Noted in small numbers at Swayambhu, Gokarna and Godavari near Kathmandu; from Naudanda to Tirkechunge on the Jomson trek; two between Sukhani and Garua and a few above Chisapani.

RED-BREASTED BLUE-FLYCATCHER *Ficedula hyperythra*

Noted in ones and twos in several places in forest undergrowth between Sukhani and Lodia; male at Chatra on 6.2.74.

RUSTY-BREASTED BLUE-FLYCATCHER *Ficedula hodgsonii*

Sukhani, 3.2.74, a male.

LITTLE BIRD FLYCATCHER *Ficedula westermanni*

Several seen in forest between Sukhani to above Chisapani.

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SAPPHIRE-HEADED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula sapphira*

Chatra, 6.2.74, one male.

PYGMY BLUE-FLYCATCHER *Muscicapella hodgsonii*

Sukhani, 3.2.74, one male in riverside undergrowth.

VERDITER FLYCATCHER *Muscicapa thalassina*

Gokarna, Kathmandu, one, 15.12.73.

Sukhani, male, 27.1.74.

SLATY-BLUE FLYCATCHER *Ficedula leucomelanura*

Godavari,

Seen in ones and twos at a number of places: Gokarna and Nagarjun near Kathmandu; Birethanti area (several); Ilan and Sukhani.

BROOK'S FLYCATCHER *Niltava poliolegens*

Fairly numerous in the forest between Sukhani to between Chisapani and Ilan.

(SMALL NILTAVA *Niltava macrigris*)

(Singles in two or three places about Birethanti.)

RUFIOUS-BELLIED NILTAVA *Niltava sundara*

Scattered birds in a number of forest localities: Gokarna, Godavari and Swayambhu near Kathmandu; Birethanti area; Lodia; Chisapani; Chatra.

DULL SLATY-BELLIED GROUND-WARBLER *Tesia cyaniventer*

Two in undergrowth between Sukhani and Carua, 2.2.74.

CHESTNUT-HEADED GROUND-WARBLER *Oligura castaneo-coronata*

Singles noted at Tirkedhunge; Birethanti and Godavari.

RUFIOUS-CAPPED BUSH-WARBLER *Cettia brunnifrons*.

Birethanti, 24.12.73, one.

Godavari, Kathmandu, 18.1.74, one.

PALE-FOOTED BUSH-WARBLER *Cettia pallidipes*

Khujunabari, 27.1. & 4.2.74, three or four.

ABERRANT BUSH-WARBLER *Cettia flavolivaceus*

Frequently seen about scrubby cover between Naudanda and Ghaza. Singles seen at Nagarjun and Tokha near Kathmandu.

LARGE GRASS-WARBLER *Graminicola bengalensis*

A few about freshwater marsh vegetation at west end of the Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74.

BROWN HILL-WARBLER *Prinia polychroa*

Seen in ones and twos about grassy and rocky slopes with scrubby vegetation at : Ulleri; between Dana and Tatopani; between Tatopani and Chitre; Nagarjun near Kathmandu.

YELLOW-BELLIED PRINIA *Prinia flaviventris*

Several in freshwater marsh at west end of Koshi Barrage, 7-8.2.74

INDIAN WREN-WARBLER *Prinia subflava*

About wet areas at west end of Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74.

FRANKLIN'S PRINIA *Prinia hodgsonii*

A number of small flocks seen about open grassy areas as at: Ilam; Chisapani; Saktin; Khujunabari; Chatra and Saura, Chitawan.

TAILORBIRD *Orthotomus sutorius*

Common about forest areas in the SE right up to Ilam and seen in ones and twos everywhere else, usually about habitation and cultivation but not seen after Dana on the trek to Jonoson.

FAN-TAILED WARBLER *Cisticola juncidis*

Seen in long grassy areas about fields in wide valley between Sunischare and Khujunabari and also about Chitawan.

PADDYFIELD WARBLER *Acrocephalus agricola*

Several about marsh at west end of Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74.

BLYTH'S REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus dumetorum*

Singles seen in a number of places about Chitawan; also at Chatra; Kathmandu; Koshi Barrage marsh.

GLAMOROUS REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus stentoreus*

A few in marsh at west end of Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74.

THICK-BILLED WARBLER *Phragmaticola aedon*

Chatra, one, 6.2.74.

BLACK-FACED FLYCATCHER-WARBLER *Abroscopus schisticeps*

Sikka, between Tatopani and Chitre, two, 6.1.74, in mixed flock.

YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER-WARBLER *Abroscopus superciliosus*

Ones and twos seen in forest about Garua and Sukhani.

GREY-HEADED FLYCATCHER-WARBLER *Seicercus xanthocistos*

Numerous in hilly forest areas visited but not seen beyond Ghaza on the trek to Jomson; only seen above Sektim on walk to Ilam; not seen at Chatra or about Chitawan.

BLACK-BROWED FLYCATCHER-WARBLER *Seicercus burkii*

Fairly common in certain areas but in general less numerous than the last species but seen about all forested hilly areas visited; not seen beyond Tirkedhunge on the trek to Jomson; seen from Sukhani right up to Ilam in the SE but not about Chatra or Chitawan

CHESTNUT-HEADED FLYCATCHER-WARBLER *Seicercus castaneiceps*

Ones and twos about forest at Swayambhu, Kathmandu; below Naudanda; Sukhani; Garua and Lodia.

(LARGE-BILLED WARBLER *Phylloscopus magnirostris*)

Godavari, Kathmandu, one, 19.1.74.

GREENISH WARBLER *Phylloscopus trochiloides*

Seen in ones and twos in many places, often mixed in with other *Phylloscopus* flocks: Pokhara; Birethanti; Naudanda; frequent in forest between Sukhani and right up to Ilam; Chatra and a few at Saura, Chitawan.

YELLOW-FACED WARBLER *Phylloscopus cantator*

Two or three about Garua, 29.1. & 2.2.74.

BLYTH'S CROWNED WARBLER *Phylloscopus reguloides*

Several parties in forest in the SE between Sukhani and Sektim; a flock at Swayambhu, Kathmandu on 22.1.74 and singles at Birethanti on 25.12.73 and 10.1.74.

YELLOW-BROWED WARBLER *Phylloscopus inornatus*

Generally a widespread and numerous bird in with the mixed flocks of Warblers and often about cultivation as well as forest edges. Recorded in most areas visited but not seen after Chitre on the trek to Jomson, and not seen about Choropani.

ASHY-THROATED WARBLER *Phylloscopus nesulipennis*

Often seen in ones and twos about mixed flocks of stuff in forest up as far as above Dana on the Jomson trek; also seen about Godavari and Swayambhu near Kathmandu and three at Ilam on 31.1.74

PALLAS'S WARBLER *Phylloscopus proregulus*

The commonest *Phylloscopus*, often making up the bulk of small bird flocks in the forests of the hills. Not seen in the terai about Chitawan or at Chatra but seen down as far as Sukhani in the SE where it was numerous in the forest.

ORANGE-BARRED WARBLER *Phylloscopus pulcher*

Seen in ones and twos in many places in the bushy-covered hills up as far as Ulleri on the Jomson trek; also about Kathmandu it was noted at Swayambhu, Bokarna, Tokha, Nagarjun and Godavari; in one or two places between Kathmandu and Hetaura and one or two at Ilam on 31.1.74.

DUSKY WARBLER *Phylloscopus fuscatus*

Kathmandu, 19.12.73, one at the Zoo; 20.1.74, three by Bagmati; Pokhara, 12.1.74, c. five near Phewa Tal.
Chatra, 6.2.74, one c. 5 miles upriver from town.
Saura, Chitawan, 11.2.74, one.

SMOKY WARBLER *Phylloscopus fulgiventis*

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, two in marsh at west end of barrage.

TICKELL'S WARBLER *Phylloscopus affinis*

Dana, 30.12.73, one.
Khujunsbari, 27.1.74, one.
Saura, Chitawan, 11.2.74, one.

CHIFFCHAFF *Phylloscopus collybita*

Lumle, 10.1.74, one mobbing Pygmy Owllet was only one on trek.
Kathmandu, one at Swayambhu on 20.12.73; three at Nagarjun, 21.1.74; fairly numerous in the terai ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ about Chitawan, and Koshi Barrage.

All were brown and white 'tristis' or 'sindianus' birds.

GOLDCREST *Regulus regulus*

Daman, 14.12.73, several in coniferous slopes.

Several about coniferous woodland between Ghaza and above Lete.

STONECHAT *Saxicola torquata*

Widespread about cultivation in all areas visited; up as far as Ghaza on the Jomson trek.

PIED BUSH-CHAT *Saxicola caprata*

Widespread through lower-lying cultivation and not seen after Suikhet on trek to Jomson or about Ilam but plenty about Kathmandu.

DARK-GREY BUSH-CHAT *Saxicola ferrea*

Noted about bushy hillsides in a number of hilly localities: Birethanti area; between Tatopani and Chitre; Saktin to Ilam; Tokha near Kathmandu.

BLUE ROCK THRUSH *Monticola solitarius*

Odd birds seen at: Birethanti, 25.12.73; between Tatopani and Chitre, 6.1.74; Lodia, 1.2.74; Chatra, two c.3 miles upriver, 6.2.74; and one at Chatra on same day; male at Saura, Chitawan, 10-13.2.74.

CHESTNUT-BELLIED ROCK THRUSH *Monticola rufiventris*

Noted in a number of places, usually about forest clearings: at start of Jomson trek at Pokhara; about Birethanti; above Chisapani and at Tokha, Kathmandu.

BLUE-HEADED REDSTART *Phoenicurus caeruleocephalus*

On the Jomson trek it was seen about coniferous areas around Ghoropani (above 10,000'); about Ghaza and Lete; one or two females near Lumle. Tokha, Kathmandu, a couple of pairs.

BLACK REDSTART *Phoenicurus ochrurus*

Chatra, 6.2.74, a pair.

HODGSON'S REDSTART *Phoenicurus hodgsoni*

Ones and twos noted at various places between Dana and above Maypha, on the Jomson trek; two or three at Godavari, Kathmandu.

BROWN-FRONTED REDSTART *Phoenicurus frontalis*

A fairly widespread and numerous species about wood clearings and shrubby slopes in the hills: Daman; Gokarna, Swayambhu, Godavari, Nagarjun and Tokha near Kathmandu; between Naudanda and Lete on the Jomson trek; Ilam.

WHITE-THROATED REDSTART *Phoenicurus schisticeps*

Choropani, two or three pairs on slopes behind village; scattered birds between Lete and Margha about juniper slopes.

GOLDENSTADT'S REDSTART *Phoenicurus*

Ones and twos about Upper Kali Gandaki Valley: Tukche, female on 31.12.73; male on 1.1.74; Margha, two males, 2.1.74; Jomson, two males, 2.1.74; one male, 3.1.74.

WHITE-CAPPED REDSTART *Chamaerornis leucocephalus*

About streams in the hills in most places visited: in a couple of spots between Hetaura and Kathmandu; between Kathmandu and Pokhara; From Pokhara up as far as above Lete on the Jomson trek; one or two by forest streams between Sukhani and Garua; about Chatra; Koshi Barrage, one on dam, 7-8.2.74; Takax not seen about Kathmandu or Ilam.

PLUMBEOUS REDSTART *Rhyacornis fuliginosa*

About streams in the hills in many places: between Hetaura and Kathmandu; one or two by Bagmati River at Kathmandu; between Pokhara and Chaza on the Jomson trek; by river below Ilam; Chatra; Koshi Barrage, female on the dam, 3.2.74.

LITTLE FORKTAIL *Enicurus scouleri*

Ones and twos by river between Birethanti and Tirkedhunge and by streams and river between Sikka and Tatopani and at Tatopani. One between Lete and Chaza, 4.1.74.

BLACK-BACKED FORKTAIL *Enicurus immaculatus*

Ones and twos by streams in forest between Sukhani and Saktim.

SLATE-BACKED FORKTAIL *Enicurus schisticeps*

Ones and twos by rivers from Khanre to Tirkedhunge and from Chitre to Tatopani; also singles between Pokhara and Galcchi by the Trisuli.

SPOTTED FORKTAIL *Enicurus maculatus*

Ones and twos by rivers between Birethanti to above Lete; also seen at Godavari and Nagarjun near Kathmandu.

SHAMA *Copsychus malabaricus*

A few in the forest between Sukhani and Saktim; Chatra; male at Saura, Chitawan, 11.2.74.

MAGPIE-ROBIN *Copsychus saularis*

Seen about cultivation in many areas: Kathmandu Valley; Pokhara; not seen after Suikhet on the Jomson trek apart from one at Birethanti on 9.1.74; in the SE seen ~~at~~ at Sunischare (one, 26.1.74) and Saktim (one, 29.1.74); also several about Chitawan area.

BLUETHROAT *Luscinia svecica*

Quite a few about damp cultivated areas in the terai around the Birthamore to Khujunabari area; Koshi barrage area; Chitawan area.

SIBERIAN RUBYTHROAT *Luscinia calliope*

Singles in the terai, about cultivation scrub: Sunischare, 26.1.74; Saktim, 29.1.74; Ilam, 31.1.74; Lodia, 1.2.74; Khujunabari, 4.2.74; Saura, Chitawan, three or four singles, 10-13.2.74.

HIMALAYAN RUBYTHROAT *Luscinia pectoralis*

Nagarjun, Kathmandu, male, 21.1.74.
Saura, Chitawan, male, 10.2.74.

GOLDEN BUSH-ROBIN *Tarsiger chrysaeus*

Several in shrubby slopes around Khanre and Naudanda; one at Tokha near Kathmandu, 18.2.74.

RED-FLANKED BLUEBILL *Tarsiger cyanurus*

Widespread about bushy hill slopes and in open forest areas in higher areas visited: between Naudanda and Ghaza; Godavari near Kathmandu.

BLUE WHISTLING THRUSH *Myiophonus caeruleus*

Widespread and common about all areas visited in the hills where forest cover predominated, but not seen above Lete on the trek up to Jomson and sparse between Sukhani and Ilam; seen above Chatra but nowhere in the terai proper.

WHITE'S THRUSH *Zosterops dauma*

Several in forest at Gokarna, Kathmandu, 16.12.73.

(PLAIN-BACKED THRUSH *Zosterops mollissima*)

Godavari, Kathmandu, one in cover near the school, 17-19.1.74.

LONG-TAILED THRUSH *Zosterops lateralis*
Godavari, Kathmandu, one in upper forest cover, 18.1.74.

GREATER LONG-BILLED THRUSH *Zosterops monticola*
Ghoropani, one, 29.12.73; Tirkedhunge, 9.1.74; Birethanti, 10.1.74;
Godavari, Kathmandu, 17.1.74. All singles in stream cover.

MISTLE THRUSH *Turdus viscivorus*
Ghoropani, two or three seen above village at 10,000'.

WHITE-COLLARED BLACKBIRD *Turdus albocinctus*
Godavari, Kathmandu, a few in upper forest, 18.1.74.

GREY-WINGED BLACKBIRD *Turdus bouboul*
Several parties in the forest from Sukhani right up to Ilam and
about forest near Chatra.

GREY-HEADED THRUSH *Turdus rubrocanus*
Gokarna, Kathmandu, end Jan 74.

RED-THROATED THRUSH *Turdus ruficollis ruficollis*
A few about Ghoropani with Black-throats; male at ^{Tukaha} ~~Ilam~~ on
1.1.74; small flock between Tukaha and Lete on 3.1.74; one
with Black-throat party at Swayambhu, Kathmandu, 22.1.74.

Black-throated Thrush *T.r.atrogularis* : fairly numerous about
hill forested areas; Kathmandu Valley; from Khanre to Ghaza in
small parties about open forested areas; Sukhani, ten, 4.2.74;
several about Saura, Chitawan.

RICHARD'S PIPIT *Anthus novaeseelandiae*
Sunischara, five in dry paddy fields, 27.1.74.
Saura, Chitawan, 10.2.74, one in same type of habitat.

INDIAN PIPIT *Anthus rufulus*
Common about open cultivation literally everywhere but not seen
above Naudanda on the Jomson trek or after Lodia on Ilam trek.

WATER PIPIT *Anthus spinoletta*
Suikhet, a party of c.12 in paddy-fields, 11.1.74.

HODGSON'S PIPIT *Anthus roseatus*
Flocks about damp areas: Bagmati River at Kathmandu; between Dana
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and Tatopani (c30, 5.1.74); damp fields between Suikhet and Hengga, quite widespread; about Koshi Barrage area; about river between Birthanore and Khujunabari and about Chitawan.

OLIVE-BACKED PIPIT *Anthus hodgsoni*

Common in many places especially about bushy hillsides or undergrowth near edges of forest: about various places in the Kathmandu Valley; up as far as above Dana on the Jomson trek; throughout terai in suitable habitat right up to Ilam and at Chatra.

CITRINE WAGTAIL *Motacilla citreola*

Only noted about wet habitats in the terai: about Koshi Barrage area; Chatra; Sunischare to Khujunabari; about Chitawan. Only seen in small numbers.

YELLOW WAGTAIL *Motacilla flava* (beema?)

Several about the Koshi Barrage, and about damp areas at Chitawan.

Black-headed Wagtail *M.f.melanogrisea*: at least one by the Koshi Barrage on 7.2.74 and one near Saura, Chitawan, 13.2.74.

PIED WAGTAIL *Motacilla alba*

Great mixture of birds of several races, not separated in this short summary. Seen about most rivers and damp areas generally: on the Jomson trek it was seen up to Khanre and then we had black-backed birds in the Upper Kali Gandaki Valley from above Lete up to Jomson; not seen about Ilam but virtually all areas visited produced this species in some race or other.

LARGE PIED WAGTAIL *Motacilla maderaspatensis*

Kathmandu, three or four about Bagmati River, 20.1.74, with albas. in the terai seen in small numbers by rivers, about Sunischare; Khujunabari; Lodia; Chatra; Koshi Barrage and Saura, Chitawan; always in ones and twos only.

GREY WAGTAIL *Motacilla cinerea*

Seen in ones and twos in several places by streams: Pokhara; Suikhet; Birethanti; Dana; between Pokhara and Kathmandu; Birthanore; Sunischare; Khujunabari; Lodia; Garua; Sukhani; Saura, Chitawan; and Gokarna, Kathmandu.

THICK-BILLED FLOWERPECKER *Dicaeum agile*

Swayambu, Kathmandu, one, 20.12.73.
Lahan, several, 25.1.74.

YELLOW-BELLIED FLOWERPECKER *Dicaeum chrysorrheum*

Swayambhu, one, 20.12.73 and Godavari, one, 17.1.74, Kathmandu.

TICKELL'S FLOWERPECKER *Dicaeum erythrorhynchos*

Chatra, one, 7.2.74.

PLAIN-COLOURED FLOWERPECKER *Dicaeum concolor*

Godavari, Kathmandu, one, 18.1.74.

Several singles in forest between Sukhani to above Chisapani.

FIRE-BREASTED FLOWERPECKER *Dicaeum ignipectus*

Gokarna, Kathmandu, several, 16.12.73.

Tirkedhunge, male, 8.1.74.

Ilam, male, 31.1.74.

STREAKED SPIDERHUNTER *Arachnothera magna*

Widespread in singles in the forest between Sukhani and Chisapani.

PURPLE SUNBIRD *Nectarinia asiatica*

Noted in ones and twos about cultivated low-lying areas as at: Kathmandu (below Swayambhu); Hengza; Lahan; Birthanore; Sunischare; Ilam and about Chitawan.

NEPAL SUNBIRD *Aethopyga nipalensis*

Widespread, about forest clearings from Chandrakot (above Birethanti) to Chitre; several at Godavari, Kathmandu, 18.1.74.

BLACK-BREASTED SUNBIRD *Aethopyga saturata*

Birethanti, two, 10.1.74.

Godavari, Kathmandu, at least one, 18-19.1.74.

YELLOW-BACKED SUNBIRD *Aethopyga siparaja*

Noted about the forest at: between Tirkedhunge and Birethanti; Pokhara; sparingly in forest between Sukhani and Lodia.

FIRE-TAILED SUNBIRD *Aethopyga ignicauda*

Fairly numerous in some spots in the forests of the hills: from Birethanti to Ulleri; in several places about Kathmandu Valley; between Chisapani and Ilam including Ilam itself.

nb. one or two unidentified female Sunbirds also seen in the Kali Gandaki Valley up to Ghaza.

WHITE-EYE *Zosterops palpebrosa*

Parties seen in a number of forest areas: several places in Kathmandu Valley; about Birethanti woods; between Suikhet and Hengza; between Garua and Chissapani; Chatra; Saura, Chitawan.

HOUSE SPARROW *Passer domesticus*

Common about habitation in all areas visited, but on the Jomson trek it was only seen about villages up to Naudanda and at Sikka between Tatopani and Chitre. Widespread elsewhere.

TREE SPARROW *Passer montanus*

Common about Kathmandu area; Pokhara; and on the Jomson trek it was seen right up to Jomson although it was absent between Hengza and Chitre and scarce in the lower Kali Gandaki Valley but we met with flocks about villages and bushes between Tukche and Jomson; in the terai it was more or less absent but we did note it at Hetaura and Danak Bazaar; common at Ilam.

CINNAMON SPARROW *Passer rutilans*

Several small parties or ones and twos about bushy forest clearings: Tirkedhunge; Chitre; Ghaza.

BAYA WEAVER *Ploceus philippinus*

Sunischere, 4.2.74, c.80 on road to Birthamore.
Saura, Chitawan, 10-13.2.74, several seen.

STRIATED WEAVER *Ploceus manyar*

Koshi Barrage, 8.2.74, party of c.20 by marsh at west end of dam.

SPOTTED MUNIA ~~Munia~~ ^{Lonchura} punctulata

Kathmandu Valley, seen in several places; Saura, Chitawan, several.

WHITE-BACKED MUNIA ~~Munia~~ ^{Lonchura} striata

Small parties in a number of places in hills: between Suikhet and above Tatopani; Saktin, a few, 29.1.74.

(ALLIED GROSBILL *Mycerobas affinis*)

Cheropani, one or two in woods above village, 27.12.73.
(MCR)

BROWN BULLFINCH *Pyrrhula nipalensis*

Godavari, Kathmandu, about six, 18.1.74.

RED-HEADED ROSEFINCH *Proprichthys subhimalayana*

Ghoropani, 7.1.74, a pair in forest.

DARK ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus nipalensis*

Several about Ghoropani and on slope down to Sikka; also a male between Tirkedhunge and Ulleri, 8.1.74.

BEAUTIFUL ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus pulcherrimus*

Several small parties about scrubby slopes in the Upper Kali Gandaki Valley between below Tukche to above Marpha.

PINK-BROWED ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus rhodocrous*

Seen in scattered pairs about bushy hill slopes : Birethant; Ulleri; Ghaza; Chitre; Tokha near Kathmandu.

SPOT-WINGED ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus rhodopeplus*

Ghoropani, ones and twos about clearings in the higher forest in the area of Ghoropani.

EASTERN GREAT ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus rubicilloides*

Marpha, one female, 2-3.1.74.

Jomoson, a small party, 2-3.1.74. (PAD, MCR)

SCARLET ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus erythrinus*

Negarjun, Kathmandu, c.10, 21.1.74.

Saura, Chitawan, c.20, 10-13.2.74.

RED-FRONTED SERIN *Serinus pusilla*

Jomoson, 2-3.1.74, party of c.20-30 on weedy barren slopes.

GOLDFINCH *Carduelis carduelis*

~~Entire~~ Above Lete, one, immature, 3.1.74. (PAD, MCR)

TIBETAN SISKIN *Carduelis thibetana*

Godavari, Kathmandu, c.30 in alders, 19.1.74.

HIMALAYAN GREENFINCH *Carduelis spinoides*

Hengza, party of c.30, 11.1.74.

CHAFFINCH *Fringilla coelebs*

Lete, three, 4.1.74. (PAD)

CRESTED BUNTING *Melophus lathami*

Noted in small flocks about cultivation in lower-lying areas:
Hengza; Nagarjun near Kathmandu; Sunischare; Saura, Chitawan.

GREY-HEADED BUNTING *Emberiza fucata*

Several about damp paddy fields between Sunischare and
Khujunabari, 4.2.74.

BLACK-FACED BUNTING *Emberiza spodocephala*

Koshi Barrage, three (one m, two fm) at marsh at west end of
dam, 8.2.74.

LITTLE BUNTING *Emberiza pusilla*

Small flocks about bushy hillsides in a number of places:
from Naudanda to Chitre on the Jomson trek (not around Ghoropani)
Godavari, and Nagarjun and Tokha near Kathmandu; Sunischare.

(PINE BUNTING *Emberiza leucocephala*)

Marpha, one female, 2-3.1.74.

ROCK BUNTING *Emberiza cia*

Common in places about bare or bushy hill slopes: from Chitre
to above Marpha on the Jomson trek.

ADDITIONS and notes

White-throated Munia (*Lonchura malabarica*) and Yellow-throated
Sparrow (*Petronia xanthocollis*) were seen just over the border
in India at Raxaul but were not seen in Nepal.

~~ASHY SWALLOW-SHRIKE *Artamus fuscus*~~

~~Seen in small parties soaring over cultivated wide river valley
between Birnhamore and Khujunabari and about Chitawan.~~