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Annotated list of birds seen in and around Kathmandu Valley,
Nepal, 14-18 May 1988. D.J. Millin and J.D. Woolner.

Pond Heron, *Ardeola grayii*
Single over Bisnumati river, 14My.

Night Heron, *Nycticorax nycticorax*
Small colony, 5-10 prs, next to Annapurna hotel car park.

Cattle Egret, *Bulbulcus ibis*
Very common in lowlands. Large very active colony in grounds of the library of the Department of Education. Noted considerable variation in the breeding plumage, bill and eye colours. Some birds completely white, presumably non-breeders, but active around the fringes of the colony.

Black Kite, *Milvus migrans*
Fairly common throughout up to 2000m.

White-backed Vulture, *Gyps bengalensis*
5+ over Monkey Temple with next species, 14My.

Eurasian Griffon Vulture, *Gyps fulvus*
Single, in company of White-backs 14My.

Shrikra, *Accipiter badius*
Ad male mobbing Black Kite, Pasupatinath, 15My.

Mountain Hawk Eagle, *Spitzaetus nipalensis*
Single at c.2000m, Phulchoki, 16My.

Kalij Pheasant, *Lophora leucomela*
Single females seen twice on Phulchoki.

Rock Dove, *Columba livia*
Abundant.

Spotted Dove, *Streptopelia chinensis*
Several calling, Pasupatinath.

Oriental Turtle Dove, *Streptopelia orientalis*
Calling c.1500m, Nagarjun. Several Phulchoki below 2000m, in the Botanic gardens and at Pasupatinath

Rose-ringed Parakeet, *Psittacula krameri*
Single Pasupatinath. Several in the main town.

Large Hawk-Cuckoo, *Hierococcyx sparverioides*
Fairly common and calling persistently in narrow altitude band c.2000m, Phulchoki.

Indian Cuckoo, *Cuculus micropterus*
Several calling, Nagarjun up to c.1800m on NW side of town and in
Botanic gardens. Fairly common.

Common (European) Cuckoo, *Cuculus canorus*
Fairly common, calling Nagarjun (low-level), Phulchoki (low-level)
Both male and female calls, Pasupatinath.

X ?Oriental Cuckoo, *Cuculus saturatus*
Hoopoe-like call heard, very persistent, especially Nagarjun was
probably this species.

Koel, *Eudynamis scolopacea*
Fairly common. Calling Pasupatinath, Nagarjun (low-level),
Gokarna, Phulchoki (low-level).

Spotted Owlet, *Athene brama*
Single Pasupatinath. One on wires in broad daylight on two
separate days, Godaweri road. Calling after dark at edge of city.

House Swift, *Apus affinis*
Very common throughout. Up to 2000m on Nagarjun.

White breasted Kingfisher, *Halcyon smyrnensis*
2 Pasupatinath, single Gokarna and Godaweri road.

Blue-bearded Bee-eater, *Nyctyornis athertoni*
Single at 1640m Phulchoki, 18My.

Hoopoe, *Upupa epops*
Single at Gokarna, 17My.

Great Barbet, *Megalaima virens*
Singles at Phulchoki (low-level) and Gokarna.

Blue-throated Barbet, *Megalaima asiatica*
Common and fairly widespread. Very common Gokarna. Calling up to
1800m Nagarjun. Apparently absent from Phulchoki.

Coppersmith, *Megalaima haemacephalus*
One calling Gokarna, 17My

Darjeeling Pied Woodpecker, *Dendrocopus darjellensis*
One female 2700m Phulchoki, 16My

Brown-fronted Pied Woodpecker, *Dendrocopus auriceps*
Pair c.1800m Nagarjun 14My

Common Swallow, *Hirundo rustica*
Very common, lowland areas. Collecting mud for nest-building
Bisnumati river.

Red-rumped Swallow, *Hirundo daurica*
One near Monkey Temple, 2 Gokarna, 1 over main city.

Grey Wagtail, *Motacilla cinerea*
Pair, low-level, Phulchoki

Large Pied Wagtail, *Motacilla maderaspatensis*
Adult plus one immature, Gokarna 17My

Pied Flycatcher-Shrike, *Hemipus picatus*
Several Gokarna, 17My

Black-winged Cuckoo-shrike, *Coracina melaschistos*
Single at bottom of Phulchoki, 18My

Scarlet Minivet, *Pericrocotus flammeus*
Several males below 1600m, Nagarjun, 14My.

Long-tailed Minivet, *Pericrocotus ethologus*
Several pairs, c1800m, Nagarjun; also Pasupatinath.
1 pr c2000m Phulchoki.

Striated Green Bulbul, *Pycnonotus striatus*
Singles at c2000m and 2300m Phulchoki.

White-cheeked Bulbul, *Pycnonotus leucogenys*
Several c.1600m Nagarjun; also Pasupatinath, Botanic Gardens and
Phulchoki below 2000m.

Red-vented Bulbul, *Pycnonotus cafer*
Very common at lower elevations.

Mountain Bulbul, *Hypsipetes McClellandii*
Several below 2000m., Phulchoki, 16My.

Black Bulbul, *Hypsipetes madagascariensis*
Very common above 1600m Nagarjun. Pair below 2000m Phulchoki.

Common Iora, *Aegithina tiphia*
Calling at Gokarna, 17My.

Indian Blue Chat, *Luscinia brunnea*
One seen clearly, several others singing c.2400m Phulchoki.

Magpie Robin, *Copsychus saularis*
Common and widespread in lowland areas.

Plumbeous Redstart, *Rhyacornis fuliginosus*
Pair feeding young in Botanic Gardens.

Pied Bushchat, *Saxicola caprata*
Single male at Gokarna

Chestnut-bellied Rock Thrush, *Monticola rufiventris*
Several males 2200m and higher, Phulchoki.

Blue Whistling Thrush, *Myiophonus caeruleus*
Singles at Botanic gardens and at bottom of Phulchoki

X ?Pied Ground Thrush, *Zoothera wardii*
Suspected male seen at a distance, with white eyebrow and white patches in wing against remaining very dark plumage. Suspected females seen in flight close at hand. Tail grey-brown with white tips to outer tail feathers only. Noticeable black and white pattern on underside of wing, similar to that of White's Thrush, but bird much smaller. Bottom of Phulchoki, 18My.

Orange-headed Ground Thrush, *Zoothera citrina*
Single Gokarna, 17My.

Grey-winged Blackbird, *Turdus boulboul*
2+ males c.2000m Phulchoki, 16My.

Spotted Forktail, *Enicurus maculatus*
Single at Botanic gardens, 16My

Chestnut-headed Ground Warbler, *Tesia castaneocoronata*
Fairly common c.2500m, Phulchoki.

Common Tailorbird, *Orthotomus sutorius*
Fairly common in city outskirts.

Golden-spectacled Warbler, *Seicurus burkii*
Single at 2700m, Phulchoki, 16My

Grey-headed Flycatcher-warbler, *Seicurus xanthoschistos*
Fairly common Phulchoki. In flock with Red-headed tits c.1600m Nagarjun. Single Botanic gardens.

Q Yellow-bellied Warbler, *Abroscopus superciliaris*
Pair, courtship feeding, c.1700m Nagarjun, 14My.

Western Large Crowned Warbler, *Phylloscopus occipitalis*
Single seen very clearly, Phulchoki c2200m, 16My

Grey faced Warbler, *Phylloscopus maculipennis*
Several, Phulchoki, above 2300m.

Small Niltava, *Niltava macgrigoriae*
Single female in scrub next to stream at bottom of Phulchoki, 18My

Blue-throated Flycatcher, *Cyornis rubeculoides*
One pair and several other singing males, Gokarna, 17My

Verditer Flycatcher, *Muscicapa thalassina*
One pair at nest site, hole in old brickwork, Pasupatinath.
Fairly common almost up to summit of Phulchoki.

Sooty Flycatcher, *Muscicapa sibirica*
Singles at 2200m and 2400m, Phulchoki.

Orange-gorgetted Flycatcher, *Ficedula strophilata*
Several pairs c.2500m, Phulchoki

Little Pied Flycatcher, *Ficedula westermanni*
Single male c.2300m Phulchoki, 18My

Grey-headed Flycatcher, *Culicicapa ceylonensis*
Several Pasupatinath; Gokarna; singing strongly c.2000m Phulchoki

Yellow-bellied Fantail, *Rhipidura hypoxantha*
Several, Phulchoki c.2700m.

White-crested Laughing Thrush, *Garrulax leucolophus*
Single c.1500m Nagarjun, 14My

Streaked Laughing Thrush, *Garrulax linneatus*
2+, 2200 and 2700m Phulchoki.

Chestnut tailed Minla, *Minla strigula*
Fairly common above 2400m, Phulchoki

White browed Tit-babbler, *Alcippe vinipectus*
Very common from 2200m to summit on Phulchoki

Black-capped Sibia, *Heterophasia capistrata*
Abundant from 2000m to summit on Phulchoki, singing strongly.
One only seen on Nagarjun around 1600m.

Whiskered Yuhina, *Yuhina flavicollis*
Common on Phulchoki especially around 2200m in single species flocks.

Red-headed Tit, *Aegithalos concinnus*
Small flock c.1600m Nagarjun, 14My

Yellow browed Tit, *Silviparus modestus*
Pair carrying food near summit of Phulchoki

Great Tit, *Parus major*
2 seen at Pasupatinath

Yellow-cheeked Tit, *Parus xanthogenys*
Several near bottom of Phulchoki, in the Botanic gardens and at Gokarna.

Velvet-fronted Nuthatch, *Sitta frontalis*
Several c.1800m Nagarjun 14My

Chestnut bellied Nuthatch, *Sitta castanea*
One at Gokarna 17My

Nepal Yellow-backed Sunbird, *Aethopyga nipalensis*
Very common on Phulchoki from c.2200m to summit.

Fire-breasted Flowerpecker, *Dicaeum ignipectus*
One male below 2000m, Phulchoki, one female Gokarna.

Oriental White-eye, *Zosterops palpebrosa*
Common at Pasupatinath, one at Monkey Temple.

Maroon Oriole, *Oriolus traillii*
At least one male and 2 females c.2000m Phulchoki 16My

Black headed Shrike, *Lanius schach*
Several on wires Godaweri road.

Black Drongo, *Dicrurus macrocercus (adsimilis)*
Fairly common in lowland areas.

Grey Drongo, *Dicrurus leucophaeus*
One at c.1800m Nagarjun. Pair at nest at bottom of Phulchoki.

Forest Drongo, *Dicrurus aeneus*
Several at c.1800m Nagarjun, 14My

Eurasian Jay, *Garrulus glandarius*
One at c.2000m and one near summit, Phulchoki

Yellow-billed Blue Magpie, *Urocissa flavirostris*
One just below summit of Phulchoki 18My

Grey Treepie, *Dendrocitta formosae*
Several on Nagarjun up to c.1800m, also at lower levels of Phulchoki.

House Crow, *Corvus splendens*
Abundant in the lowland areas

Jungle Crow, *Corvus macrorhynchos*
Very common in the lowland areas. Not seen on any of the hills or in forested areas.

Grey headed Mynah, *Sturnus malabaricus*
2 pairs seen at Pasupatinath, 15My

Common Mynah, *Acridotheres tristis*
Abundant in lowland areas.

Jungle Mynah, *Acridotheres fuscus*
Abundant particularly at Pasupatinath where it appeared to be more common than the previous species.

House Sparrow, *Passer domesticus*
Very common in and around towns and villages.

Tree Sparrow, *Passer montanus*
Abundant and widespread throughout the lowland areas.