

Date: 16th April to 20th April 2019

Habitat:

- Broad-leaf.
- Montane Forest.
- Terai Grassland.
- Riverine / Streams / Dam.
- Alluvial. Human Habitat.

Temperature Range: 18°C ~ 38°C

Places:

Guwahati, Bansbari, Kuribeel, Doimari, Bhuniyapara, Seed Farm, Royal Manas National Park (Bhutan)

Bird Checklist (As per Birds of Indian Subcontinent field guide by Richard Grimmett, Carol Inskipp, Tim Inskipp):

1. Red Junglefowl – was seen in huge number, more than we see usually in winter
2. Swamp Francolin – couldn't see the birds, just heard them twice deeper inside the grass patch
3. Indian Peafowl – commonly seen pheasant
4. Kalij Pheasant – Mostly active during first hour of the morning and last hour of the afternoon; seen multiple times in Latajhar area
5. Asian Openbill Stork – Seen during our onward drive to Manas on 16th near Rangia-Nalbari area.
6. Lesser Adjutant Stork – Saw it few times inside the park; either flying around or standing still in the grassland areas.
7. Greater Adjutant Stork – Saw on last day, 20th, during returning back to Guwahati
8. Cattle Egret – Seen commonly around human habitat
9. Indian Pond Heron
10. Little Cormorant
11. Spot-billed Pelican – Saw one bird twice, both of the time in flight.
12. Common Kestrel – Saw the bird in flight few times
13. Jerdon's Baza – Pair was sighted on 18th at Bhuyianpara; otherwise, seen few times inside Bansbari range also
14. Black Baza – Sighted twice; on day 1 afternoon session, seen four birds soaring
15. Black-eared Kite – Seen at Guwahati-Adabari dump yard, during Greater Adjutant sighting on 20th Apr
16. Crested Serpent Eagle – Most commonly seen raptor from the park
17. Hen Harrier – Seen one during our visit to Seed Farm area on 18th
18. Shikra – Seen one bird on 18th from Seed Farm area
19. Black Kite – Seen at Guwahati
20. Changeable Hawk Eagle – Seen one bird, which came down on road and drank water from pot hole
21. Rufous-bellied Eagle – Seen at Pangbang bridge in Bhutan
22. Bengal Florican – Multiple sightings; both from Bansbari range and Bhuyianpara range
23. White-breasted Waterhen
24. Barred Buttonquail – Seen the bird from our visit to Bhuyianpara area,
25. Red-wattled Lapwing – Commonly seen near paddyfield area
26. River Lapwing – Commonly seen near riverine area

27. Small Pratincole – Seen near the river side exit gate in few numbers
28. Spotted Dove
29. Emerald Dove
30. Green Imperial Pigeon – Seen nicely at Bhuyianpara range office on 18th Apr morning
31. Orange-breasted Green Pigeon – Seen in mixed flock with other Treron pigeons
32. Wedge-tailed Green Pigeon - Seen in mixed flock with other Treron pigeons
33. Thick-billed Green Pigeon - Seen in mixed flock with other Treron pigeons
34. Yellow-footed Green Pigeon – Seen once/twice in a separate flock
35. Red-breasted Parakeet – Multiple sightings, mostly in open woodland area
36. Green-billed Malkoha – Multiple sightings
37. Common Hawk Cuckoo – Was heard few times
38. Lesser Coucal – Most abundantly seen in huge numbers across grassland area
39. Asian Barred Owlet- Heard once in Bhutan from distance
40. Savanna Nightjar – Tried for it on 17th evening, heard it from a distance only. Couldn't see the species
41. Crested Treeswift – Seen a male bird with juvenile on 16th afternoon session
42. Himalayan Swiftlet – Commonly seen at Pangbang area
43. Red-headed Trogon – Heard and seen a pair of bird on 17th morning session on main trunk road in a shadowy patch
44. Indian Roller
45. Dollarbird – Multiple sightings
46. Stork-billed Kingfisher – Seen one individual on 17th and 19th Apr in the same area near water body
47. White-throated Kingfisher
48. Ruddy Kingfisher – Heard multiple times, major sighting took place on 17th noon, adjacent to main trunk road to Mothanguri
49. Chestnut-headed Bee-eater – Seen most commonly across grassland area
50. Blue-bearded Bee-eater – Seen it at Latajhar camp area
51. Oriental Pied Hornbill – Seen on 16th afternoon and 17th morning session; (Call is also recorded [XC473857](#))
52. Great Hornbill – Most of the birds were seen on 19th, on the way back from Bhutan
53. Lineated Barbet – Seen near the village area and park entrance at the edge of the tea garden
54. Blue-throated Barbet – Most commonly seen barbet from the park
55. Blue-eared Barbet – Few individuals seen. Best seen on 19th noon on main trunk road
56. Great Barbet – Seen at higher areas inside Bhutan
57. White-browed Piculet – Seen one on 19th in a shadowy patch in Kanchanbari woodland
58. Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker – Four seen together on a cotton tree on 17th morning
59. Fulvous-breasted Woodpecker – Only seen once
60. Rufous Woodpecker – Seen few times in the woodland area near the river side (latajhar)
61. Lesser Yelownape
62. Greater Goldenback – Seen in Bansbari range on 17th and 19th
63. Large Woodshrike – Seen individuals only, multiple times
64. Ashy Woodswallow – Was seen in flight mostly
65. Common Iora
66. Scarlet Minivet
67. Rosy Minivet – Seen in mixed flock in Bansbari
68. Small Minivet - Seen in mixed flock in Bansbari

69. Long-tailed Shrike
70. Lesser Racket-tailed Drongo – Commonly sighted
71. Ashy Drongo – Most abundantly distributed
72. Spangled Drongo – Seen in tea garden area and Birina village mostly
73. White-throated Fantail – Was present in mixed flock; multiple times sighted
74. Asian Paradise Flycatcher – Best seen at Latajhar area
75. Maroon Oriole – Seen in Royal Manas and in Latajhar area of Indian Manas side
76. Black-hooded Oriole – Commonly seen in village area – Kumguri-Barama drive on 18th morning
77. Common Green Magpie
78. Eastern Jungle Crow
79. House Crow
80. Sultan Tit – Seen on 19th morning from Bansbari
81. Great Tit – Sighted once on 17th morning
82. Barn Swallow – Commonly sighted in Seed Farm paddy field area
83. Black-crested Bulbul - Abundant
84. Red-whiskered Bulbul – Abundant
85. White-throated Bulbul – Prefers to hang around shadowy area; seen almost regularly
86. Black Bulbul – Seen in Bhutan only on 18th afternoon
87. Red-vented Bulbul – Abundant
88. Bengal Bushlark – Seen one bird on 18th afternoon session at Seed Farm
89. Ashy Prinia – Abundantly seen
90. Grey-breasted Prinia – Saw one on 17th morning near Kuribeel tower
91. Golden-headed Cisticola – Heard and seen commonly near Kuribeel
92. Zitting Cisticola – Same as before
93. Striated Grassbird – Best sighted near Seed Farm area
94. Common Tailorbird – Seen in woodland area
95. Clamorous Reed Warbler -
96. Yellow-vented Warbler – Seen on 17th morning near Mothanguri
97. Puff-throated Babbler – Nicely seen most 17th and 19th morning session
98. Abbott's Babbler – Heard and seen on 17th morning session
99. Pin-striped Tit-babbler – Continuous chirp, not seen in open
100. Rufous-fronted Babbler – Not seen; heard just once on 17th Apr;
(Call Recorded : [XC473885](#))
101. Slender-billed Babbler – Sighted twice; best sighted in Bhuyianpara area
102. Jerdon's Babbler – Faint call heard just once at Bhuyianpar, not seen
103. Jungle Babbler – Seen commonly at forest edges
104. Striated Babbler – Seen abundantly
105. Yellow-eyed Babbler - Seen abundantly
106. Chestnut-capped Babbler – Seen thrice, on both ranges
107. Oriental White-eye
108. Velvet-fronted Nuthatch
109. Great Myna – Most commonly seen across its range
110. Common Hill Myna – Seen at Bansbari on 19th morning session
111. Common Myna
112. Asian Pied Starling – Seen in Guwahati city only
113. Chestnut-tailed Starling – In Bansbari range
114. Blue Whistling Thrush – Near Pangbang village on 18th noon

115. White-rumped Shama – Seen multiple occasions;
(Call Recorded : [XC473872](#))
116. Oriental Magpie Robin – Seen around village area
117. Black-backed Forktail – Saw three birds near Mothanguri on 18th
118. Common Stonechat
119. Pale-chinned Blue Flycatcher – Sighted on 17th noon at Bansbari;
Call is also recorded ([XC473870](#))
120. Taiga Flycatcher – Sighted a male on 19th noon at main trunk road
121. Black-naped Monarch – Best place was Latajhar area
122. Asian Fairy Bluebird
123. Golden-fronted Leafbird – Seen few times in Bansbari on 17th and 19th Apr
124. Crimson Sunbird – Seen both male and female on 19th afternoon
125. Purple Sunbird – Seen from the home stay and in Birina village
126. Plain Flowerpecker – At the entrance of Royal Manas, after crossing mothanguri on 18th
127. House Sparrow
128. Baya Weaver – Commonly seen at both ranges – Bansbari and Bhuyianpara
129. Forest Wagtail – Sighted a bird for more than 15 minutes foraging along gypsy track
130. Olive-backed Pipit

