

A CHECKLIST OF GENERA OF INDIAN BIRDS.

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FOREWORD

Progress in ornithology during the past twenty-five years has been spectacular. Field work, such as done by Koelz and Ripley, has yielded many interesting new discoveries in India, and work in the countries east and west of India has greatly added to our knowledge of south Asiatic birds. Painstaking taxonomic analysis of these new collections by students in India, Great Britain, the United States, Germany, Holland, France, and other countries has shed new light on the systematics and relationships of Indian birds. Also, there has been in ornithological science a rather profound change of systematic concepts during recent decades. As a consequence of this added information and changed concepts, it is unfortunately true that even the "revised edition" of the "Fauna of British India" is now completely out of date, so far as its nomenclature is concerned.

A completely new list of the birds of India is urgently needed. However, the preparation of an up-to-date and reliable list will require the labor of many years. Until then the need for an authoritative list will be met in part by the "Checklist of Genera of Indian Birds" provided by Biswas. This new list of the generic names of Indian birds brings the nomenclature of Indian birds in line with that now employed by progressive workers throughout the world, whether they study Indian birds or the faunas of adjacent areas.

The genus is one of the most important systematic categories. The chief function of the generic name is to express relationships and, as was expressly stated by Linnaeus, to relieve the memory by uniting groups of species. The difficulty with the genus is that although it is based on objective groups, its limits, as well as the ranking of the included groups, are subjective. Authors with different standards of generic values arrive at very different generic arrangements. The adoption of sound standards of generic recognition becomes therefore of vital importance.

In this respect ornithology has had a bad tradition because in the past an arbitrary morphological difference was adopted as generic standard by many authors. The ultimate consequence of this standard was to place virtually every species in a separate genus since nearly every species shows some morphological peculiarities. Unfortunately, Stuart Baker wrote his "Fauna" when this taxonomic philosophy was in its heyday. As a result he placed the 1345 species of Indian birds in 620 genera. The folly of such a virtually uninomial nomenclature is now fully realized, as is the unsoundness of the standard on which it is based : morphological difference. As had been said already by Linnaeus, it is the genus that gives the characters and not the characters that make the genus. In other words, we must look for a natural group of species which together form a genus and then determine the morphological characters that are shared by these species. This is the modern biological approach even though its roots go back to Linnaeus.

The genus is nowadays considered not only a phylogenetic unit, that is an assemblage of species which are related to each other, but also an ecological unit, that is an assemblage of species which jointly occupy a distinctive adaptive zone (major ecological niche). The study of the ecology of genera has as yet only been begun. One of the few detailed analyses is David Lack's study of the ecological differences between the genera of Darwin's Finches. The present list should be very helpful to those who want to undertake similar studies on Indian genera.

Nothing is ever final in science and still further improvements in the arrangement of genera are to be expected. We are now passing in ornithology through a "lumping" period, but it is possible that further researches will show that one or the other of the now lumped genera constitutes a biologically and ecologically well-defined group worthy of generic recognition. The present list forms a sound basis on which further revisionary work can be undertaken.

It is particularly gratifying that this list of Indian birds is the work of an Indian ornithologist. This is but one of the many manifestations of the vigor of Indian science, in general, and of Indian ornithology, in particular. *Vivat, crescat, floreat Ornithologia Indiae.*

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INTRODUCTION

In the first edition of the 'Fauna of British India, Birds' by Oates (1889, 1890) and by Blanford (1895, 1898) a little over 600 genera were recorded, while in Baker's second edition (1922-1930) this number was raised to 620. In the last two decades our knowledge of Indian ornithology has increased spectacularly. Moreover, the field of taxonomy has developed during the past fifty years to a considerable extent in technique and concept, resulting in the emergence of a new systematics in contrast to the old or orthodox systematics.

According to Mayr (1948), the main trends of developments responsible for this revolutionary change may be grouped as follows : (1) the modification of the Linnean species concept ; (2) the recognition of the population as the basic taxonomic unit ; and finally, (3) the replacement of the static or morphological species definition by a dynamic or biological one. The static species was simply an aggregate of museum specimens which conformed to certain morphological standard selected by taxonomists ; it was not a unit of nature. The biological species, on the other hand, "consists of a group of populations which replace each other geographically or ecologically and of which the neighbouring ones intergrade or interbreed wherever they are in contact or which are potentially capable of doing so in those cases where contact is prevented by geographic or ecological barriers ;" this biological species is reproductively isolated from other such groups. As a consequence of this broadening of the species concept, many so-called 'species' were reduced to the rank of subspecies. As a further consequence there must be compensatory adjustments for genera and other higher categories, or else they lose their importance. It need hardly be emphasized that 'the genus expresses relationship and the species, the differences.' For details elucidating the points mentioned above Huxley (1940, 1942), Mayr (1942, 1948) and Bogert *et al* (1943), among others, may be referred to.

Viewed in this light it becomes evident that many of the genera listed by Baker are superfluous, since they were based on very trifling morphological characters. *Lobivanellus* G. R. Gray, to cite merely one example, differs from *Hoplopterus* Bonaparte only in three specialized characters, *viz.*, the presence of a wattle, the presence of a vestigial hind toe, and the reduction of the wing spur. They are otherwise exceedingly similar in structure, in colour pattern, in habits, etc. They are thus best considered as two species of the same genus and not members of two different genera, the latter treatment certainly obscures their close relationship. "The indiscriminate application of a rigid morphological genus concept... .is another cause of the large number of superfluous and biologically meaningless genera... . For maximum utility the genus should not be allowed to encroach upon the next lower category (species), as at present, or upon the next higher (family or subfamily) as in the days of Linnaeus. Although the genus is an abstract concept, the gaps between species are real and unequal, and it is not to be expected that genera will contain the same number of species, or that monotypic genera can be avoided entirely." (*Vide* Amadon, 1943, p. 1).

The above considerations led me to feel that a revision of the genera

of Indian birds in the light of these new principles was desirable, and I first contemplated undertaking this rather arduous task while I was working for the Zoological Survey of India. This cherished project took a concrete shape during the years 1947-1950 when I was a guest worker at the British Museum (Natural History) and the American Museum of Natural History. The major portion of my undertaking was, however, done at the latter institution, and was completed on my return to India. My experience with birds in the field in India and other countries has helped me greatly in a better understanding of the groups.

I have used the word 'India' neither in a strictly geographical nor in any political sense, but merely for the sake of convenience to include Pakistan, India, Nepal, Burma and Ceylon. These same countries were also covered in the 'Fauna of British India' series, and in this respect I have chosen to follow the trail of my illustrious predecessors.

In preparing this paper free use was made of Peters' monumental 'Check-list of Birds of the World' (1931-1951). The various revisional works of Amadon, Deignan, Delacour, Mayr, Meinertzhagen, Ripley, and Vaurie, among others, proved indispensable. For the sequence of the higher categories I have followed Mayr and Amadon (1951), and for the rest, mostly Peters. As a result of these researches only 423 genera have been recognized in the present work as against Baker's 620.

Complete synonymies of the various genera have been purposely avoided as they are available in the standard treatises. Although primarily a checklist of genera, it is thought worthwhile to include under each genus a list of the species that are known to occur in India. Species that are visitors are so indicated after their names. All other species nest in India. An alphabetical index showing the nomenclatorial status of the various generic names that are in use for Indian birds is also appended.

Copies of a draft of the checklist was sent for comments to Dr. Ernst Mayr, Dr. Dean Amadon, Dr. Charles Vaurie, and Captain Jean Delacour of the American Museum of Natural History, New York; Mr. H. G. Deignan of the U. S. National Museum, Washington; Dr. S. Dillon Ripley of the Yale Peabody Museum, New Haven; Mr. James L. Peters* of the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, Cambridge; Dr. Erwin Stresemann of the Zoologisches Museum, Berlin; Dr. K. H. Voous of the Zoologisch Museum, Amsterdam; Colonel R. Meinertzhagen, London; and Mr. Sálim Ali of the Bombay Natural History Society, Bombay. I record my grateful thanks to all of them for their helpful advice and comments.

Differences of opinion are naturally to be expected among so many ornithologists. On the whole I have tried to follow the majority opinion, but have taken independent decision on some groups, especially on those in which no recent revisions were available. The responsibility for admitting or synonymizing one or the other genus as presented in this work, however, is entirely my own.

*Mr. Peters has since died on April 19, 1952.

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CHECKLIST

Class AVES

Subclass NEORNITHES

Superorder NEOGNATHAE

Order PROCELLARIIFORMES

Family PROCELLARIIDAE

Subfamily PROCELLARIINAE

Genus **Daption** StephensSpecies in India—*Daption capensis*¹.Genus **Puffinus** BrissonSpecies in India—*Puffinus leucomelas* (casual visitor), *P. carneipes*¹,
P. pacificus (casual visitor), *P. tenuirostris*¹ and *P. persicus*.

Subfamily HYDROBATINAE

Genus **Oceanites** Keyserling and BlasiusSpecies in India—*Oceanites oceanicus* (casual visitor).Genus **Fregetta** BonaparteSpecies in India—*Fregetta tropica*¹.Genus **Oceanodroma** ReichenbachSpecies in India—*Oceanodroma homochroa*¹.

Order PODICIIFORMES

Family PODICIPITIDAE

Genus **Podiceps** LathamSpecies in India—*Podiceps ruficollis*, *P. nigricollis* and *P. cristatus*

Order GAVIIFORMES

Family GAVIIDAE

Genus **Gavia** J. R. ForsterSpecies in India—*Gavia stellata*¹ and *G. arctica*¹.¹Status doubtful; very rarely recorded from India.

Order PELECANIFORMES

Suborder *PHAËTHONTES*Family **PHAËTHONTIDAE**Genus **Phaëthon** Linné

Species in India—*Phaëthon aethereus*¹ (regular visitor), *P. rubricauda* (regular visitor) and *P. lepturus*.

Suborder *FREGATAE*[Family **FREGATIDAE**Genus **Fregata** Lacépède

Species in India—*Fregata andrewsi* (regular visitor), *F. minor*² and *F. ariel* (regular visitor).

Suborder *PELECANI*Superfamily **SULOIDEA**Family **PHALACROCORACIDAE**Subfamily *PHALACROCORACINAE*Genus **Phalacrocorax** Brisson

Syn. *Haliëtor* Heine

Species in India—*Phalacrocorax carbo*, *P. fuscicollis* and *P. niger*.

Subfamily *ANHINGINAE*Genus **Anhinga** Brisson

Species in India—*Anhinga melanogaster*.

Family **SULIDAE**Genus **Sula** Brisson

Species in India—*Sula dactylatra* (casual visitor), *S. sula* (regular visitor) and *S. leucogaster*².

¹ Includes *indicus*.

² Status doubtful; very rarely taken within our limits.

Superfamily PELECANOIDEA

Family PELECANIDAE

Genus **Pelecanus** Linné

Species in India—*Pelecanus onocrotalus* (regular visitor) and *P. philippensis*¹.

Order FALCONIFORMES²

Suborder FALCONES

Superfamily FALCONOIDEA

Family ACCIPITRIDAE

Subfamily ELANINAE

Genus **Elanus** Savigny

Species in India—*Elanus caeruleus*.

Genus **Machaerhamphus** Westerman

Species in India—*Machaerhamphus alcinus*.

Subfamily PERNINAE

Genus **Aviceda** Swainson

Syn. *Baza* Hodgson

Species in India—*Aviceda jerdoni* and *A. leuphotes*.

Genus **Pernis** Cuvier

Species in India—*Pernis apivorus* (regular visitor) and *P. ptilorhyncus*.

Subfamily MILVINAE

Genus **Milvus** Lacépède

Species in India—*Milvus migrans*.

Genus **Haliastur** Selby

Species in India—*Haliastur indus*.

Subfamily ACORPITRINAE

Genus **Accipiter** Brisson

Syn. *Astur* Lacépède

Species in India—*Accipiter gentilis*, *A. badius*, *A. butleri*, *A. soloënsis* (regular visitor), *A. trivirgatus*, *A. nisus* and *A. virgatus*².

¹Includes *crispus*. *Pelecanus roseus* is a synonym of *P. philippensis* [see Chapin and Amadon, *Ostrich*, 21 : 15—18 (1950), and Meinertzhagen, *Ibis*, 93 : 453 (1951)].

²Includes *gularis*.

Subfamily **BUTEOINAE**Genus **Buteo** Lacépède

Species in India—*Buteo rufinus*, *B. hemilasius*, *B. vulpinus* (regular visitor) and *B. burmanicus* (regular visitor).

Genus **Butastur** Hodgson

Species in India—*Butastur teesa*, *B. indicus* (regular visitor) and *B. liventer*.

Genus **Spizaëtus** Vieillot

Syn. *Limnaëtops* Baker

Species in India—*Spizaëtus nipalensis*, *S. alboniger* and *S. cirrhatus*.

Genus **Hieraëtus** Kaup

Syn. *Lophotriorchis* Sharpe

Species in India—*Hieraëtus fasciatus*, *H. pennatus* and *H. kieneri*.

Genus **Aquila** Brisson

Species in India—*Aquila chrysaëtos*, *A. heliaca*, *A. rapax*, *A. nipalensis*, *A. clanga* and *A. pomarina*.

Genus **Ictinaëtus** Blyth

Species in India—*Ictinaëtus malayensis*.

Genus **Haliaeetus** Savigny

Species in India—*Haliaeetus leucogaster*, *H. leucoryphus* and *H. albicilla* (regular visitor).

Genus **Ichthyophaga** Lesson

Species in India—*Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus* and *I. nana*.

Subfamily **AEGYPTINAE**Genus **Torgos** Kaup

Syn. *Sarcogyps* Lesson

Species in India—*Torgos calvus*.

Genus **Aegypius** Savigny

Species in India—*Aegypius monachus*.

Genus **Gyps** SavignySyn. *Pseudogyps* Sharpe

Species in India—*Gyps fulvus*, *G. himalayensis*, *G. indicus* and *G. bengalensis*.

Genus **Neophron** Savigny

Species in India—*Neophron percnopterus*.

Genus **Gypaëtus** Storr

Species in India—*Gypaëtus barbatus*.

Subfamily **CIRCINAE**Genus **Circus** Lacépède

Species in India—*Circus cyaneus* (regular visitor), *C. macrourus* (regular visitor), *C. pygargus* (regular visitor), *C. melanoleucus* (regular visitor) and *C. aeruginosus*¹ (regular visitor).

Subfamily **CIRCAËTINAE**Genus **Circaëtus** Vieillot

Species in India—*Circaëtus gallicus*.

Genus **Spilornis** G. R. Gray

Species in India—*Spilornis cheela*, *S. minimus* and *S. elgini*.

Family FALCONIDAE

Subfamily **POLIHierACINA**Genus **Microhierax** SharpeSyn. *Neohierax* Swann

Species in India—*Microhierax fringillarius*, *M. caerulescens*, *M. melanoleucus* and *M. insignis*.

Subfamily **FALCONINAE**Genus **Falco** Linné

HIEROFALCO Cuvier, **RHYNCHODON** Nitzsch, **TINNUNCULUS** Vieillot, **ERYTHROPOUS** Brehm and **CERCHNEIS** Boie are subgenera.

Species in India—*Falco rusticulus*², *F. peregrinus*³, *F. subbuteo*, *F. severus*, *F. columbarius* (regular visitor), *F. chicquera*, *F. amurensis* (regular visitor), *F. naumanni* (regular visitor) and *F. tinnunculus*

¹Incluidos *spilonotus*.²Includes *cherrug* and *jugger*.³Includes *babylonicus*.

Family PANDIONIDAE

Genus Pandion Savigny

Species in India—*Pandion haliaetus.*

Order CICONIIFORMES

Suborder ARDAE

Family ARDEIDAE

Subfamily ARDEINAE

Genus Ardea Linné

Species in India—*Ardea sumatrana*, *A. imperialis*, *A. goliath* (casual visitor), *A. cinerea* and *A. purpurea.*

Genus Butorides Blyth

Species in India—*Butorides striatus.*

Genus Ardeola Boie

Species in India—*Ardeola grayi* and *A. bacchus.*

Genus Bubulcus Bonaparte

Species in India—*Bubulcus ibis.*

Genus Egretta T. Forster

Syn. *Demigretta* Blyth

Species in India—*Egretta alba*, *E. garzetta*, *E. gularis*¹, *E. sacra*, and *E. intermedia.*

Genus Nycticorax T. Forster

Species in India—*Nycticorax nycticorax.*

Genus Gorsachius Bonaparte

Species in India—*Gorsachius melanophorus.*

Subfamily BOTAUINAE

Genus Ixobrychus Billberg

Species in India—*Ixobrychus minutus*, *I. sinensis* and *I. cinnamomeus.*

Genus Dupetor Heine and Reichenow

Species in India—*Dupetor flavigollis.*

¹Includes *asha*.

Genus **Botaurus** StephensSpecies in India—*Botaurus stellaris* (regular visitor).Suborder **CICONIAE**Family **THRESKIORNITHIDAE**Subfamily **THRESKIORNITHINAE**Genus **Threskiornis** G. R. GraySpecies in India—*Threskiornis melanocephala*.Genus **Pseudibis** HodgsonSpecies in India—*Pseudibis papillosa* and *Ps. davisoni*.Genus **Plegadis** KaupSpecies in India—*Plegadis falcinellus*.Subfamily **PLATALEINAE**Genus **Platalea** LinnéSpecies in India—*Platalea leucorodia*.Family **CICONIIDAE**Subfamily **MYCTERIINAE**Genus **Ibis** LacépèdeSpecies in India—*Ibis leucocephalus*.Subfamily **CICONIINAE**Genus **Anastomus** BonnaterreSpecies in India—*Anastomus oscitans*.Genus **Ciconia** BrissonSyn. *Dissoura* CabanisSpecies in India—*Ciconia episcopa*, *C. ciconia* (regular visitor) and *C. nigra* (regular visitor).Genus **Xenorhynchus** BonaparteSpecies in India—*Xenorhynchus asiaticus*.Genus **Leptoptilos** LessonSpecies in India—*Leptoptilos dubius* and *L. javanicus*.

Order PHOENICOPTERIFORMES

Family PHOENICOPTERIDAE

Genus **Phoenicopterus** LinnéSyn. *Phoeniconaias* G. R. GraySpecies in India—*Phoenicopterus ruber* and *P. minor* (regular visitor).

Order ANSERIFORMES

Family ANATIDAE

cf. Delacour and Mayr. *Wilson Bull.*, 57 : 3-55 (1945).

Subfamily ANSERINAE

Genus **Branta** ScopoliSpecies in India—*Branta ruficollis* (casual visitor).Genus **Anser** BrissonSpecies in India—*Anser fabalis*¹ (casual visitor), *A. albifrons* (regular visitor), *A. erythropus* (casual visitor), *A. anser* (regular visitor), *A. indicus* and *A. caerulescens* ^{2,3}.Genus **Cygnus** BechsteinSpecies in India—*Cygnus columbianus*⁴ (casual visitor), *C. cygnus* (casual visitor) and *C. olor* (casual visitor).Genus **Dendrocygna** SwainsonSpecies in India—*Dendrocygna javanica* and *D. bicolor*⁵.

Subfamily ANATINAE

Genus **Tadorna** FlemingSyn. *Casarca* BonaparteSpecies in India—*Tadorna ferruginea* and *T. tadorna* (regular visitor)Genus **Anas** LinnéSyn. *Spatula* Boie, *Dafila* Stephens, *Mareca* Stephens, *Querquedula* Stephens, *Nettion* Kaup, *Chaulelesmus* Bonaparte, *Marmaronetta* Reichenbach, *Eunetta* BonaparteSpecies in India—*Anas angustirostris* (regular visitor), *A. acuta* (regular visitor), *A. crecca* (regular visitor), *A. formosa* (casual visitor), *A. falcata* (regular visitor), *A. gibberifrons*⁶, *A. poecilorhyncha*, *A. platyrhynchos* (regular visitor), *A. strepera* (regular visitor), *A. penelope* (regular visitor), *A. querquedula* (regular visitor) and *A. clypeata* (regular visitor).¹Includes *neglectus* and *brachyrhynchus*.²Includes *hyperboreus*.⁴³Very rare visitor to our area.⁴Includes *bewickii* and *jankowskii* (*oilm minor*).⁵Antedates *Dendrocygna fulva* Gmelin.⁶Includes *albogularis*.

Genus **Rhodonessa** ReichenbachSpecies in India—*Rhodonessa caryophyllacea*.Genus **Netta** KaupSpecies in India—*Netta rufina* (regular visitor).Genus **Aythya** BoieSyn. *Nyroca* FlemingSpecies in India—*Aythya ferina* (regular visitor), *A. nyroca*¹, *A. baeri* (regular visitor), *A. fuligula* (regular visitor) and *A. marila* (casual visitor).Genus **Aix** BoieSpecies in India—*Aix galericulata* (casual visitor).Genus **Nettapus** BrandtSpecies in India—*Nettapus coromandelianus*.Genus **Sarkidiornis** EytonSpecies in India—*Sarkidiornis melanotos*.Genus **Cairina** FlemingSyn. *Asacornis* SalvadoriSpecies in India—*Cairina scutulata*.Genus **Bucephala** BairdSyn. *Glaucionetta* StejnegerSpecies in India—*Bucephala clangula* (regular visitor).Genus **Mergus** LinnéSyn. *Mergellus* SelbySpecies in India—*Mergus albellus* (regular visitor), *M. serrator* (casual visitor) and *M. merganser*.Genus **Oxyura** BonaparteSyn. *Erismatura* BonaparteSpecies in India—*Oxyura leucocephala* (casual visitor).

Order GALLIFORMES

Suborder *GALLI*Superfamily **CRACOIDEA**

Family MEGAPODIIDAE

¹Antedates *A. rufa* Mathews and Iredale.

Genus **Megapodius** GaimardSpecies in India—*Megapodius nicobariensis.*Superfamily **PHASIANOIDEA**Family **PHASIANIDAE**Subfamily **PHASIANINAE**Genus **Lerwa** HodgsonSpecies in India—*Lerwa lerwa.*Genus **Ammoperdix** GouldSpecies in India—*Ammoperdix griseogularis.*Genus **Tetraogallus** J. E. GraySpecies in India—*Tetraogallus tibetanus* and *T. himalayensis.*Genus **Alectoris** KaupSpecies in India—*Alectoris graeca.*Genus **Francolinus** StephensSpecies in India—*Francolinus francolinus*, *F. pictus*, *F. pintadeanus*,
F. pondicerianus and *F. gularis.*Genus **Perdix** BrissonSpecies in India—*Perdix hodgsoniae.*Genus **Rhizothera** G. R. GraySpecies in India—*Rhizothera longirostris.*Genus **Ophrysia** BonaparteSpecies in India—*Ophrysia superciliosa.*Genus **Coturnix** BonnaterreSyn. *Excalfactoria* BonaparteSpecies in India—*Coturnix coturnix*, *C. coromandelica* and *C. chinensis.*Genus **Perdicula** HodgsonSyn. *Cryptoplectron* StreubelSpecies in India—*Perdicula asiatica*, *P. argoondah*, *P. erythrorhynchus* and *P. manipurensis.*

Genus **Arborophila** Hodgson

Species in India—*Arborophila torqueola*, *A. rufogularis*, *A. atrogularis*, *A. mandelli* and *A. brunneopectus*.

Genus **Tropicoperdix** Blyth

Species in India—*Tropicoperdix charlotini* and *T. chloropus*.

Genus **Caloperdix** Blyth

Species in India—*Caloperdix oculea*.

Genus **Rollulus** Bonnaterre

Species in India—*Rollulus roulroul*.

Genus **Bambusicola** Gould

Species in India—*Bambusicola fytchi*.

Genus **Galloperdix** Blyth

Species in India—*Galloperdix spadicea*, *G. lunulata* and *G. bicalcarata*.

Genus **Ithaginis** Wagler

Species in India—*Ithaginis cruentus*.

Genus **Tragopan** Cuvier

Syn. *Ceriornis* Swainson

Species in India—*Tragopan melanocephalus*, *T. satyra*, *T. blythii* and *T. temmincki*.

Genus **Pucrasia** G. R. Gray

Species in India—*Pucrasia macrolopha*.

Genus **Lophophorus** Temminck

Species in India—*Lophophorus impejanus* and *L. sclateri*.

Genus **Gallus** Brisson

Species in India—*Gallus gallus*¹, *G. lafayetti*, and *G. sonnerati*.

Genus **Lophura** Fleming

Syn. *Gennaeus* Wagler

cf. Delacour, *Ibis*, 91 : 188-220 (1949).

Species in India—*Lophura leucomelana*², *L. nycthemera*, *L. ignita*³ and *L. diardi*.

¹Includes *bankira*.

²Includes *hamiltoni*, *melanota*, *moffitti*, *lathami* (= *horstfeldi* Quet.), *williamsi*, *entesi*, *lineata* and *crawfurdi*.

³Includes *rufa*,

Genus **Crossoptilon** Hodgson

Species in India—*Crossoptilon crossoptilon*¹.

Genus **Catreus** Cabanis

Species in India—*Catreus wallichii*.

Genus **Syrmaticus** Wagler

Species in India—*Syrmaticus humiae*.

Genus **Phasianus** Linné

Species in India—*Phasianus colchicus*².

Genus **Chrysolophus** J. E. Gray

Species in India—*Chrysolophus amherstiae*.

Genus **Polyplectron** Temminck

Species in India—*Polyplectron bicalcaratum* and *P. malacensis*.

Genus **Argusianus** Rafinesque

Species in India—*Argusianus argus*.

Genus **Pavo** Linné

Species in India—*Pavo cristatus* and *P. muticus*.

Order CUCULIFORMES

Suborder CUCULI

Family CUCULIDAE

Subfamily CUCULINAE

Genus **Clamator** Kaup

Species in India—*Clamator coromandus* and *C. jacobinus*.

Genus **Cuculus** Linné

Syn. *Cacomantis* S. Müller, *Hierococcyx* S. Müller,
Penthoceryx Cabanis and Heine

cf. Delacour, Zoologica, 30 : 107 (1945).

Species in India—*Cuculus sparverioides*, *C. varius*, *C. vagans*³,
C. fugax, *C. micropterus*, *C. canorus*, *C. saturatus*⁴, *C. poliocephalus*,
C. sonnerati, *C. passerinus* and *C. merulinus*,

¹Includes *harmani*.

²Includes *elegans*.

³Antedates *Hierococcyx nanus* Hume,

⁴Antedates *Cuculus optatus* Gould.

Genus **Chrysococcyx** Boie
Syn. *Chalcites* Lesson

Species in India—*Chrysococcyx maculatus* and *C. xanthorhynchus*.

Genus **Surniculus** Lesson

Species in India—*Surniculus lugubris*.

Genus **Eudynamys** Vigors and Horsfield

Species in India—*Eudynamys scolopacea*.

Subfamily **PHAENICOPHAEINAE**

cf. Delacour, *Zoologica*, 30 : 107 (1945).

Genus **Taccocua** Lesson

Syn. *Zanclostomus* Swainson, *Rhopodytes* Cabanis and Heine

Species in India—*Taccocua diardi*, *T. sumatrana*, *T. tristis*, *T. viridirostris*, *T. leschenaulti* and *T. javanica*.

Genus **Phaenicophaeus** Stephens

Syn. *Rhinortha* Vigors, *Rhamphococcyx* Cabanis and Heine

Species in India—*Phaenicophaeus chlorophaeus*, *P. curvirostris*¹ and *P. pyrrhocephalus*.

Subfamily **CENTROPODINAE**

Genus **Centropus** Illiger

Species in India—*Centropus chlororhynchus*, *C. andamanensis*, *C. sinensis* and *C. toulou*².

Order GRUIFORMES

Suborder **GRUES**

Superfamily **GRUOLDEA**

Family **GRUIDAE**

Subfamily **GRUINAE**

Genus **Grus** Pallas

Syn. *Antigone* Reichenbach

Species in India—*Grus grus* (regular visitor), *G. monacha* (? casual visitor), *G. antigone* and *G. leucogeranus* (regular visitor).

¹Includes *erythrogynathus*.

²Includes *bengalensis*.

Genus ***Anthropoides*** VieillotSpecies in India—*Anthropoides virgo* (regular visitor).Suborder ***HELIORNITHES***Family ***HELIORNITHIDAE***Genus ***Heliopais*** SharpeSpecies in India—*Heliopais personata*.Suborder ***OTIDES***Family ***OTIDIIDAE***Genus ***Tetraz*** T. ForsterSpecies in India—*Tetraz tetrax* (regular visitor).Genus ***Otis*** LinnéSpecies in India—*Otis tarda* (casual visitor).Genus ***Ardeotis*** La MaoutSyn. *Choriotis* G. R. GraySpecies in India—*Ardeotis nigriceps*,Genus ***Chlamydotis*** LessonSpecies in India—*Chlamydotis undulata*.Genus ***Eupodotis*** LessonSyn. *Syphoetides* Lesson, *Houbaropsis* SharpeSpecies in India—*Eupodotis bengalensis* and *E. indica*.Suborder ***RALLAE***Superfamily ***RALLOIDEA***Family ***RALLIDAE***Subfamily ***RALLINAE***Genus ***Rallus*** LinnéSyn. *Hypotaenidia* "Reichenbach" Baker*RALLINA* G. R. Gray is a subgenus.Species in India—*Rallus aquaticus* (regular visitor), *R. striatus*, *R. fasciatus*, *R. eurizonoides*¹ and *R. canningi*.¹Replaces *Rallus superciliaris* Eyton, preoccupied.

Genus **Crex** BechsteinSpecies in India—*Crex crex*¹.Genus **Porzana** VieillotSpecies in India—*Porzana parva* (regular visitor), *P. pusilla*, *P. porzana* (regular visitor), *P. fusca* and *P. bicolor*.Genus **Amaurornis** ReichenbachSpecies in India—*Amaurornis akool* and *A. phoenicurus*.Genus **Gallicrex** BlythSpecies in India—*Gallicrex cinerea*.Genus **Gallinula** BrissonSpecies in India—*Gallinula chloropus*.Genus **Porphyrio** BrissonSpecies in India—*Porphyrio porphyrio*².Subfamily **FULICINAE**Genus **Fulica** LinnéSpecies in India—*Fulica atra*.Suborder **TURNICES**Family **TURNICIDAE**Subfamily **TURNICINAE**Genus **Turnix** BonnaterreSpecies in India—*Turnix sylvatica*³, *T. tanki*⁴ and *T. suscitator*.

Order CHARADRIIFORMES

Suborder **CHARADRII**Superfamily **JACANOIDEA**Family **JACANIDAE**Genus **Hydrophasianus** WaglerSpecies in India—*Hydrophasianus chirurgus*.¹ Very rarely taken within Indian area.² Includes *poliocephalus*.³ Includes *dussumieri*.⁴ *Turnix maculatus* Vieillot is a synonym of *Hemipodius maculosus* Temminck, and is therefore not applicable to this species.

Genus **Metopidius** WaglerSpecies in India—*Metopidius indicus*.Superfamily **DROMADOIDEA**Family **DROMADIDAE**Genus **Dromas** PaykullSpecies in India—*Dromas ardeola*.Superfamily **BURHINOIDEA**Family **BURHINIDAE**Genus **Burhinus** IlligerSyn. *Esacus* Lesson, *Orthorhamphus* Salvadori*cf.* Meinertzhagen, *Ibis*, (11) 6 : 329-356 (1924).Species in India—*Burhinus oedicnemus*, *B. recurvirostris* and *B. neglectus*.Superfamily **CHARADROIDEA**Family **HAEMATOPODIDAE**Genus **Haematopus** LinnéSpecies in India—*Haematopus ostralegus* (regular visitor).Family **CHARADRIIDAE**Subfamily **CHARADRIINAE**Genus **Chettusia** BonaparteSpecies in India—*Chettusia leucura* (regular visitor) and *C. gregaria* (regular visitor).Genus **Vanellus** BrissonSpecies in India—*Vanellus vanellus* (regular visitor).Genus **Microsarcops** SharpeSpecies in India—*Microsarcops cinereus* (regular visitor).Genus **Hoplopterus** BonaparteSyn. *Lobivanellus* "Strickl." G. R. GraySpecies in India—*Hoplopterus indicus* and *H. duvauceli*.

Genus **Lobipluvia** BonaparteSpecies in India—*Lobipluvia malabarica*.Genus **Pluvialis** BrissonSyn. *Squatarola* CuvierSpecies in India—*Pluvialis squatarola* (regular visitor), *P. apricaria* (regular visitor) and *P. dominica* (regular visitor).Genus **Charadrius** LinnéSyn. *Eupoda* J. F. Brandt, *Leucopolius* Bonaparte,
Cirrepidesmus BonaparteSpecies in India—*Charadrius hiaticula* (regular visitor), *C. dubius*, *C. alexandrinus*, *C. placidus* (regular visitor), *C. mongolus*, *C. leschenaulti* (regular visitor), *C. asiatica*¹ and *C. veredus*¹.Subfamily **SCOLOPACINAE**Genus **Numenius** BrissonSpecies in India—*Numenius phaeopus* (regular visitor) and *N. arquata* (regular visitor).Genus **Limosa** BrissonSpecies in India—*Limosa limosa* (regular visitor) and *L. lapponica* (regular visitor).Genus **Tringa** LinnéSyn. *Glottis* Koch, *Xenus* Kaup, *Pseudototanus* Hume.Species in India—*Tringa erythropus* (regular visitor), *T. totanus* (regular visitor), *T. stagnalis* (regular visitor), *T. nebularia* (regular visitor), *T. ochropus* (regular visitor), *T. glareola* (regular visitor), *T. guttifer* (regular visitor) and *T. cinerea* (regular visitor).Genus **Actitis** IlligerSpecies in India—*Actitis hypoleucus* (regular visitor).Genus **Arenaria** BrissonSpecies in India—*Arenaria interpres* (regular visitor).Genus **Limnodromus** WiedSpecies in India—*Limnodromus semipalmatus* (regular visitor).¹ Status doubtful; very rarely recorded from our area.

Genus Gallinago Koch

Syn. *Lymnocryptes* Kaup

Species in India—*Gallinago solitaria*, *G. nemoricola*, *G. stenura* (regular visitor), *G. megala* (regular visitor), *G. media* (casual visitor), *G. gallinago* (regular visitor) and *G. minima* (regular visitor).

Genus Scolopax Linné

Species in India—*Scolopax rusticola*.

Genus Calidris Merrem

Syn. *Erolia* Vieillot, *Crocethia* Billberg

Species in India—*Calidris canutus* (casual visitor), *C. tenuirostris* (regular visitor), *C. albus* (regular visitor), *C. ruficollis* (regular visitor), *C. minutus* (regular visitor), *C. temmincki* (regular visitor), *C. subminutus* (regular visitor), *C. acuminatus* (regular visitor), *C. alpinus* (regular visitor) and *C. testaceus* (regular visitor).

Genus Eurynorhynchus Nilsson

Species in India—*Eurynorhynchus pygmeus* (regular visitor).

Genus Limicola Koch

Species in India—*Limicola falcinellus* (regular visitor).

Genus Philomachus Merrem

Species in India—*Philomachus pugnax* (regular visitor).

Subfamily PHALAROPINAE

Genus Phalaropus Brisson

Syn. *Lobipes* Cuvier

Species in India—*Phalaropus fulicarius* (casual visitor) and *P. lobatus* (regular visitor).

Subfamily RECURVIROSTRINAE

Genus Himantopus Brisson

Species in India—*Himantopus himantopus*.

Genus Recurvirostra Linné

Species in India—*Recurvirostra avosetta* (regular visitor).

Subfamily IBIDORHYNCHINAE

Genus Ibidorhyncha Vigors

Species in India—*Ibidorhyncha struthersi*.

Subfamily ROSTRATULINAE

Genus Rostratula Vieillot

Species in India—*Rostratula benghalensis*.

Superfamily GLAREOLOIDEA

Family GLAREOLIDAE

Subfamily CURSORIINAE

Genus **Cursorius** Latham

Species in India—*Cursorius cursor* (regular visitor) and *C. coromandelicus*.

Genus **Rhinoptilus** Strickland

Species in India—*Rhinoptilus bitorquatus*.

Subfamily GLAREOLINAE

Genus **Glareola** Brisson

Species in India—*Glareola pratincola*¹ and *G. lactea*.

Suborder LARI

Family LARIDAE

Subfamily STERCORARIINAE

Genus **Catharacta** Brünnich

Species in India—*Catharacta skua* (casual visitor).

Genus **Stercorarius** Brisson

Species in India—*Stercorarius pomarinus* (casual visitor) and *S. parasiticus* (regular visitor).

Subfamily LARINAE

Genus **Larus** Linné

Species in India—*Larus hemprichi*, *L. argentatus*² (regular visitor), *L. ichthyaetus* (regular visitor), *L. brunnicephalus*, *L. ridibundus* (regular visitor), *L. genei* and *L. minutus* (? casual visitor³).

Subfamily STERNINAE

Genus **Chlidonias** Rafinesque

Species in India—*Chlidonias hybrida*⁴ and *C. leucoptera* (regular visitor).

¹ Includes *maldivarum*.

² Baker's *L. fuscus taimyrensis* Buturlin is *L. argentatus heuglini* Bree.

³ Status doubtful. There is a single example from Ladakh in the Koelz collection.

⁴ Antedates *Sterna leucopareia* Temminck.

Genus *Gelochelidon* Brehm

Species in India—*Gelochelidon nilotica*.

Genus *Hydroprogne* Kaup

Species in India—*Hydroprogne tschegrava*¹ (regular visitor).

Genus *Sterna* Linné

Syn. *Thalasseus* Boie

Species in India—*Sterna aurantia*, *S. hirundo* (regular visitor), *S. dougalli*, *S. repressa*, *S. sumatrana*, *S. melanogaster*, *S. anaethetus*, *S. fuscata*, *S. albifrons*, *S. bergi*, *S. bengalensis* and *S. sandvicensis* (regular visitor).

Genus *Anous* Stephens

Species in India—*Anous stolidus* and *A. tenuirostris*².

Genus *Gygis* Wagler

Species in India—*Gygis alba* (casual visitor).

Subfamily *RYNCHOPINAE*

Genus *Rynchops* Linné

Species in India—*Rynchops albicollis*.

Order COLUMBIFORMES

Suborder *PTEROCLETES*

Family PTEROCLIDAE

Genus *Syrrhaptes* Illiger

Species in India—*Syrrhaptes tibetanus* and *S. paradoxus*³.

Genus *Pterocles* Temminck

Species in India—*Pterocles alchatus*, *Pt. exustus*, *Pt. senegallus*, *Pt. orientalis*, *Pt. coronatus*, *Pt. lichtensteini* and *Pt. indicus*.

Suborder *COLUMBAE*

Family COLUMBIDAE

Subfamily *TRERONINAE*

¹ Antedates *Sterna caspia* Pallas.

² Includes *minutus*. The three specimens from Indian area referred to *minutus* by Baker [Faun. Brit. India, Bds., 6 : 147 (1929)] need re-examination to ascertain their taxonomic status.

³ Status doubtful; recorded once within our limits.

Genus *Treron* Vieillot

Syn. Sphenurus Swainson, *Sphenocercus* G. R. Gray, *Dendrophassa* Gloger,
Butreron Bonaparte, *Crocopus* Bonaparte

cf. Biswas, *Bull. Brit. Orn. Cl.*, 70 : 34 (1950).

Species in India—*Treron apicauda*, *T. sphenura*, *T. capellei*¹, *T. curvirostra*, *T. pompadoura*, *T. fulvicollis*, *T. vernans*, *T. bicincta* and *T. phoenicoptera*.

Genus *Ducula* Hodgson

Syn. Myristicivora Reichenbach

Species in India—*Ducula aenea*, *D. badia* and *D. bicolor*.

Subfamily *COLUMBINAE*

Genus *Columba* Linné

Syn. Alsocomus Blyth, *Dendrotreron* "Hodgson" Blyth, *Ianthoenas* Reichenbach

Species in India—*Columba leuconota*, *C. rupestris*, *C. livia*, *C. eversmanni* (regular visitor), *C. palumbus*, *C. arquatrix*², *C. elphinstonii*, *C. torringtoni*, *C. pulchricollis*, *C. palumboides* and *C. punicea*.

Genus *Macropygia* Swainson

Species in India—*Macropygia unchall*, *M. ruficeps* and *M. rufipennis*.

Genus *Streptopelia* Bonaparte

Syn. Oenopelia Blanford

Species in India—*Streptopelia turtur* (regular visitor), *S. orientalis*, *S. decaocto*, *S. tranquebarica*, *S. chinensis* and *S. senegalensis*.

Genus *Geopelia* Swainson

Species in India—*Geopelia striata*.

Genus *Chalcophaps* Gould

Species in India—*Chalcophaps indica*.

Genus *Caloenas* G. R. Gray

Species in India—*Caloenas nicobarica*.

Order PSITTACIFORMES

Family PSITTACIDAE

Subfamily *PSITTACINAE*

¹ Status doubtful; once recorded from our area.

² Includes *hodgsonii*.

Genus **Psittacula** Cuvier

Species in India—*Psittacula eupatria*, *Ps. krameri*, *Ps. alexandri*, *Ps. caniceps*, *Ps. longicauda*¹, *Ps. intermedia*, *Ps. cyanocephala*, *Ps. roseata*, *Ps. himalayana*, *Ps. calthorae* and *Ps. columboides*.

Genus **Psittinus** Blyth

Species in India—*Psittinus cyanurus*².

Genus **Loriculus** Blyth

Syn. *Coryllis* Finsch

Species in India—*Loriculus vernalis* and *L. beryllinus*.

Order STRIGIFORMES

Family **STRIGIDAE**

Subfamily **STRIGINAE**

Genus **Otus** Pennant

Species in India—*Otus sagittatus*, *O. spilocephalus*, *O. balli*, *O. brucei* (? casual visitor), *O. scops*³ and *O. bakkamoena*.

Genus **Bubo** Duméril

Syn. *Ketupa* Lesson, *Huhua* Hodgson

Species in India—*Bubo bubo*, *B. nipalensis*, *B. sumatrana*⁴, *B. coromandus*, *B. zeylonensis*, *B. flavipes* and *B. ketupu*.

Genus **Nyctea** Stephens

Species in India—*Nyctea scandiaca*⁵ (? casual visitor).

Genus **Glaucidium** Boie

Species in India—*Glaucidium brodiei*, *G. radiatum* and *G. cuculoides*⁶.

Genus **Ninox** Hodgson

Species in India—*Ninox scutulata*⁷ and *N. affinis*

Genus **Athene** Boie

Species in India—*Athene noctua* (casual visitor), *A. brama* and *A. blewetti*.

¹ Antedates *Palaeornis nicobaricus* Gould.

² Antedates *Psittacus incertus* Shaw and Nodder.

³ Includes *sunia* group.

⁴ Replaces *Strix orientalis* Horsfield, preoccupied.

⁵ Replaces *Strix nyctea* Linné.

⁶ Includes *castanopterum*.

⁷ Includes *obscura*.

Genus **Strix** Linné

Species in India—*Strix butleri*¹, *S. seloputo*, *S. ocellata*, *S. leptogrammica*² and *S. aluco*³.

Genus **Asio** Brisson

Species in India—*Asio otus* and *A. flammeus* (regular visitor).

Genus **Aegolius** Kaup

Species in India—*Aegolius funereus*.

Subfamily **TYTONINAE**Genus **Tyto** Billberg

Species in India—*Tyto alba* and *T. capensis*⁴.

Genus **Phodilus** St. Hillaire

Species in India—*Phodilus badius*.

Order CAPRIMULGIFORMES

Suborder **CAPRIMULGI**Family **PODARGIDAE**Genus **Batrachostomus** Gould

Species in India—*Batrachostomus moniliger*, *B. hodgsoni*, *B. javensis* and *B. affinis*⁵.

Family **CAPRIMULGIDAE**Subfamily **CAPRIMULGINAE**Genus **Eurostopodus** Gould

Syn. *Lycornis* Gould

Species in India—*Eurostopodus macrotis*⁶.

Genus **Caprimulgus** Linné

Species in India—*Caprimulgus indicus*, *C. europaeus*, *C. mahrtensis*, *C. macrurus*, *C. asiaticus* and *C. affinis*⁷.

¹ Taxonomic status doubtful.

² Includes *indranee*.

³ Includes *nivicola*.

⁴ Includes *longimembris*.

⁵ Once recorded.

⁶ Includes *cerviniceps*.

⁷ Includes *monticola*.

Order TROGONIFORMES

Family TROGONIDAE

Genus **Harpactes** Swainson

Species in India—*Harpactes fasciatus*, *H. duvauceli*, *H. oreskios*, *H. erythrocephalus* and *H. wardi*.

Order CORACIFORMES

Suborder *CORACII*

Family CORACIIDAE

Subfamily *CORACINAE*

Genus **Coracias** Linné

Species in India—*Coracias garrulus* and *C. benghalensis*.

Genus **Eurystomus** Vieillot

Species in India—*Eurystomus orientalis*.

Suborder *ALCEDINES*

Superfamily **ALCEDINOIDEA**

Family ALCEDINIDAE

Subfamily *CERYLINAЕ*

Genus **Ceryle** Boie

Species in India—*Ceryle lugubris* and *C. rufa*.

Subfamily *ALCEDININAE*

Genus **Alcedo** Linné

Species in India—*Alcedo hercules*, *A. atthis*, *A. meninting* and *A. eryzona*.

Genus **Ceyx** Lacépède

Species in India—*Ceyx erithacus*¹.

Subfamily *DACEILONINAE*

Genus **Pelargopsis** Gloger

Syn. *Ramphalcyon* Reichenbach

Species in India—*Pelargopsis amauroptera* and *P. capensis*,

¹Antedates *Alcedo tridactyla* Pallas.

Genus **Lacedo** ReichenbachSpecies in India—*Lacedo pulchella*.Genus **Halcyon** SwainsonSyn. *Entomothera* Horsfield, *Sauropatia* Cabanis
and Heine, *Caridagrus* Cabanis and HeineSpecies in India—*Halcyon coromanda*, *H. smyrnensis*, *H. pileata*,
H. chloris and *H. concreta*.Suborder **MEROSES**Family **MEROPIDAE**Genus **Merops** LinnéSyn. *Melittophagus* "Boie" BakerSpecies in India—*Merops leschenaulti*, *M. apiaster*, *M. superciliaris*,
M. philippinus and *M. orientalis*.Genus **Nyctyornis** Jardine and SelbySyn. *Alcemerops* St. HillaireSpecies in India—*Nyctyornis amicta* and *N. athertoni*.Suborder **UPUPAE**Family **UPUPIDAE**Subfamily **UPUPINAE**Genus **Upupa** Linné.Species in India—*Upupa epops*.Suborder **BUCEROTES**Family **BUCEROTIDAE**Genus **Tockus** LessonSyn. *Lophoceros* EhrenbergSpecies in India—*Tockus birostris* and *T. griseus*.Genus **Berenicornis** BonaparteSpecies in India—*Berenicornis comatus*.Genus **Ptilolaemus** Ogilvie-GrantSpecies in India—*Ptilolaemus tickelli*.Genus **Anorrhinus** ReichenbachSpecies in India—*Anorrhinus galeritus*.Genus **Aceros** Hodgson.Syn. *Rhyticeros* ReichenbachSpecies in India—*Aceros nipalensis*, *A. undulatus*¹ and *A. narcondami*.¹ Includes *subruficollis*

Genus ***Anthracoboceros*** ReichenbachSyn. *Hydrocissa* BonaparteSpecies in India—*Anthracoboceros malabaricus* and *A. coronatus*.Genus ***Buceros*** LinnéSyn. *Dichoceros* GlogerSpecies in India—*Buceros bicornis*.Genus ***Rhinoplax*** GlogerSpecies in India—*Rhinoplax vigil*.

Order APODIFORMES

Suborder ***APODI***Family ***APODIDAE***Subfamily ***APODINA***Genus ***Collocalia*** G. R. GraySpecies in India—*Collocalia fuciphaga*¹, *C. brevirostris*², *C. inexpectata*, *C. francica*³ and *C. esculenta*⁴.Genus ***Chaetura*** StephensSyn. *Hirundapus* Hodgson, *Raphidura* Oates, *Indicapus* MathewsSpecies in India—*Chaetura caudacuta*, *Ch. cochinchinensis*, *Ch. gigantea*, *Ch. leucopygialis* and *Ch. sylvatica*.Genus ***Apus*** ScopoliSyn. *Micropus* Meyer and WolfSpecies in India—*Apus melba*, *A. apus*, *A. pallidus*⁵, *A. acuticaudus*, *A. pacificus* and *A. affinis*.Genus ***Cypsiurus*** LessonSyn. *Tachornis* GosseSpecies in India—*Cypsiurus parvus*⁶.Subfamily ***HEMIPROCNINAE***Genus ***Hemiprocne*** NitzschSpecies in India—*Hemiprocne longipennis*⁷ and *H. comata*.¹ *Collocalia innominata* Hume is very probably a subspecies of this species.² Includes *unicolor*.³ There seems to be only one record of its occurrence within our area.⁴ Antedates *Collocalia linchi* Horsfield and Moore.⁵ Replaces *Cypselus murinus* Brehm and Brehm, preoccupied.⁶ Includes *batasiensis*.⁷ Includes *coronatus*.

Order PICIFORMES

Suborder *GALBULAE*

Superfamily CAPITONOIDEA

Family CAPITONIDAE

Genus **Megalaima** G. R. Gray

Syn. *Chotorea* Bonaparte, *Cyanops* Bonaparte, *Xantholaema* Bonaparte,
Thereicerix, Blanford

cf. Ripley, *Auk*, 62 : 542-563 (1945).

Species in India—*Megalaima virens*, *M. zeylanica*, *M. lineata*,
M. viridis, *M. mystacophanos*, *M. flavifrons*, *M. franklini*, *M. asiatica*,
M. incognita, *M. australis*^{1,2}, *M. rubricapilla*³ and *M. haemacephala*.

Genus **Calorhamphus** Lesson

Species in India—*Calorhamphus fuliginosus*.

Suborder *PICI*

Family PICIDAE

Subfamily *PICINAE*Genus **Micropternus** Blyth

Species in India—*Micropternus brachyurus*.

Genus **Picus** Linné

Syn. *Chrysoplegma* Gould, *Callocephalus* Salvadori

Species in India—*Picus squamatus*, *P. viridianus*, *P. vittatus*, *P. myrmecophoneus*, *P. canus*, *P. erythrropygius*, *P. puniceus*, *P. chlorolophus*,
P. flavinucha, *P. mentalis* and *P. mineaceus*.

Genus **Dinopium** Rafinesque

Syn. *Brachypternus* Strickland, *Chloropicoides* Malherbe,
Dinopicus "Rafinesque" Baker

Species in India—*Dinopium benghalense*, *D. shorei*, *D. javense* and
D. rafflesii.

Genus **Gecinulus** Blyth

Species in India—*Gecinulus grantia* and *G. viridis*.

Genus **Meiglyptes** Swainson

Species in India—*Meiglyptes tristis*⁴, *M. jugularis* and *M. tukki*.

¹ Includes *davauceli*.

² *Cyanops robustirostris* Baker is only a juvenal *M. australis*.

³ Includes *malabarica*.

⁴ Includes *grammithorax*.

Genus **Mulleripicus** BonaparteSpecies in India—*Mulleripicus pulverulentus.*Genus **Dryocopus** BoieSyn. *Thripaxonax* Cabanis and HeineSpecies in India—*Dryocopus javensis*¹.Genus **Picoïdes** LacépèdeSyn. *Dendrocopos* Koch, *Dryobates* Boie, *Hypopicus* Bonaparte,
Leiopicus Bonaparte, *Yungipicus* Bonapartecf. Delacour, *Auk*, 68 : 49-51 (1951).Species in India—*Picoïdes major*², *P. assimilis*³, *P. himalayensis*,
P. darjellensis, *P. cathpharius*, *P. hypertyrus*, *P. auriceps*, *P. atratus*,
*P. macei*⁴, *P. mahrattensis*, *P. canicapillus*, *P. nanus* and *P. moluccensis*.Genus **Hemicircus** SwainsonSpecies in India—*Hemicircus concretus* and *H. canente*.Genus **Blythipicus** BonaparteSpecies in India—*Blythipicus pyrrhotis* and *B. rubiginosus*.Genus **Chrysocolaptes** BlythSpecies in India—*Chrysocolaptes festivus* and *C. lucidus*⁵.Subfamily *PICUMNINAE*Genus **Picumnus** TemminckSyn. *Vivia* HodgsonSpecies in India—*Picumnus innominatus*.Genus **Sasia** HodgsonSpecies in India—*Sasia ochracea* and *S. abnormis*.Subfamily *JYNGINAE*Genus **Jynx** LinnéSpecies in India—*Jynx torquilla* (regular visitor).Suborder *INDICATORES*Family *INDICATORIDAE*Genus **Indicator** StephensSpecies in India—*Indicator xanthonotus*.¹ Includes *hodgei*.² Includes *cabanisi*.³ Antedates *Picus scindeanus* Horsfield and Moore.⁴ Includes *analis*.⁵ Includes *guttacristatus*.

Order PASSERIFORMES

Suborder EURYLAIMI

Family EURYLAIMIDAE

Subfamily EURYLAIMINAE

Genus **Corydon** Lesson

Species in India—*Corydon sumatranus*.

Genus **Cymbirhynchus** Vigors and Horsfield

Species in India—*Cymbirhynchus macrorhynchos*¹.

Genus **Eurylaimus** Horsfield

Species in India—*Eurylaimus javanicus* and *E. ochromalus*.

Genus **Serilophus** Swainson

Species in India—*Serilophus lunatus*².

Genus **Psarisomus** Swainson

Species in India—*Psarisomus dalhousiae*.

Subfamily CALYPTOMENINAE

Genus **Calyptomena** Raffles

Species in India—*Calyptomena viridis*.

Suborder TYRANNI

Superfamily TYRANNOIDEA

Family PITTIDAE

Genus **Pitta** Vieillot

Syn. *Anthocincla* Blyth

Species in India—*Pitta caerulea*, *P. nipalensis*, *P. oatesi*, *P. brachyura*³, *P. megarhyncha*, *P. granatina*, *P. cucullata*, *P. cyanea*, *P. gurneyi* and *P. phayrei*.

Suborder OSCINES

Family ALAUDIDAE

cf. Meinertzhagen, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 121 : 81-132 (1951).

Vaurie, Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist., 97 : 437-526 (1951).

¹ Includes *affinis*.

² Includes *rubropygius*.

³ Includes *moluccensis*.

Genus *Mirafra* Horsfield

Species in India—*Mirafra javanica*¹, *M. assamica* and *M. erythroptera*.

Genus *Eremopterix* Kaup

Species in India—*Eremopterix grisea* and *E. nigriceps*².

Genus *Ammomanes* Cabanis

Species in India—*Ammomanes deserti*, *A. cincturus* and *A. phoenicurus*.

Genus *Alaemon* Keyserling and Blasius

Species in India—*Alaemon alaudipes*.

Genus *Calandrella* Kaup

Syn. *Alaudula* Horsfield and Moore

Species in India—*Calandrella rufescens*, *C. cinerea*³, *C. acutirostris* and *C. raytal*.

Genus *Melanocorypha* Boie

Species in India—*Melanocorypha bimaculata*, *M. calandra* and *M. maxima*.

Genus *Eremophila* Boie

Syn. *Otocoris* Bonaparte

Species in India—*Eremophila alpestris*⁴.

Genus *Galerida* Boie

Species in India—*Galerida cristata*, *G. malabarica* and *G. deva*.

Genus *Alauda* Linné

Species in India—*Alauda arvensis* and *A. gulgula*.

Family HIRUNDINIDAE

cf. Mayr and Bond, *Ibis*, 85 : 334-343 (1943).

Subfamily HIRUNDININAE

Genus *Riparia* T. Forster

Species in India—*Riparia riparia* and *R. paludicola*.

Genus *Hirundo* Linné

Syn. *Ptyonoprogne* Reichenbach, *Krimnochelidon* Walden

Species in India—*Hirundo rupestris*, *H. obsoleta* (? regular visitor), *H. concolor*, *H. tahitica*⁵, *H. rustica*, *H. smithi*, *H. fluvicola*, *H. daurica* and *H. striolata*.

¹ Includes *cantillans* group.

² Includes *albifrons*.

³ Includes *brachydactyla* group.

⁴ Includes *penicillata* group.

⁵ Antedates *Hirundo javanica* Sparrman.

Genus **Delichon** Horsfield and MooreSpecies in India—*Delichon urbica*¹ and *D. nipalensis*.

Family PYCNONOTIDAE

cf. Delacour, *Zoologica*, 28 : 17-28 (1943).Genus **Spizixos** BlythSpecies in India—*Spizixos canifrons*.Genus **Pycnonotus** BoieSyn. *Molpastes* Hume

EUPTILOSUS G. R. Gray, *MICROTARSUS* Eyton, *BRACHYPODIUS* Blyth [syn. *Microtarsus* "Eyton" Baker], *RUBIGULA* Blyth [syn. *Pycnonotus* "Kuhl" Baker (part), *Squamatornis* Baker], *Otocompsa* Cabanis, *ALCURUS* Blyth, *HEMITARSUS* Bonaparte and *LOIDORUSA* Cabanis [syn. *Pycnonotus* "Kuhl" Baker (part), *Kelaartia* Jerdon, *Xanthixus* Oates] are subgenera.

Species in India—*Pycnonotus eutilosus*, *P. atriceps*², *P. poiocephalus*, *P. dispar*³, *P. melanicterus*, *P. cyaniventris*, *P. jocosus*, *P. xanthorrhous*, *P. leucotis*, *P. leucogenys*, *P. cafer*, *P. aurigaster*, *P. striatus*, *P. zeylanicus*, *P. finlaysoni*, *P. xantholaemus*, *P. penicillatus*, *P. flavescens*, *P. goiavier*, *P. luteolus*, *P. plumosus*, *P. blanfordi*, *P. simplex* and *P. erythrophthalmos*.

Genus **Criniger** TemminckSyn. *Alophoixus* Oates

Species in India—*Criniger flaveolus*, *C. tephrogenys*, *C. ochraceus* and *C. phaeocephalus*.

Genus **Microscelis** G. R. GraySyn. *Cerasophila* Bingham

TRICHOLESTES Salvadori and IOLE Blyth are subgenera.

Species in India—*Microscelis criniger*, *M. charlottae*⁴, *M. viridescens*, *M. nicobariensis*, *M. ictericus*, *M. virescens*⁵, *M. flavalus*, *M. madagascariensis*⁶ and *M. thompsoni*.

Family IRENIDAE

Subfamily AEGITHININAE

Genus **Aegithina** VieillotSyn. *Aethorhynchus* Sundevall

Species in India—*Aegithina viridissima*, *Ae. tiphia*, *Ae. nigrolutea* and *Ae. lafresnayi*.

¹ Includes *cashmeriensis*.² *Pycnonotus cinereoventris* (Blyth) is only a colour phase of *P. atriceps*.³ Includes *flaviventris* group.⁴ Replaces *Iole olivacea* Blyth [see Deignan, *Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington*, 61 : 8 (1948)].⁵ Includes *malaccensis* and *macclellandii*.⁶ Includes *psaroides* and *leucocephalus*.

Genus **Chloropsis** Jardine and Selby

Species in India—*Chloropsis cyanopogon*, *C. sonnerati*, *C. jerdoni*, *C. cochinchinensis*, *C. hardwickei* and *C. aurifrons*.

Subfamily **IRENINAE**

Genus **Irena** Horsfield

Species in India—*Irena puella*.

Family **CAMPEPHAGIDAE**

Genus **Hemipus** Hodgson

Species in India—*Hemipus picatus* and *H. hirundinaceus*¹.

Genus **Tephrodornis** Swainson

Species in India—*Tephrodornis gularis* and *T. pondicerianus*.

Genus **Coracina** Vieillot

Syn. *Graucalus* Cuvier, *Volvocivora* Hodgson, *Lalage* "Boie" Baker
cf. Ripely, Auk, 58 : 381-395 (1941).

Species in India—*Coracina novaehollandiae*², *C. melaschistos*, *C. fimbriata* and *C. melanoptera*³.

Genus **Pericrocotus** Boie

Species in India—*Pericrocotus flammeus*, *P. brevirostris*, *P. ethologus*, *P. solaris* and *P. roseus*.

Family **MUSCICAPIDAE**

Subfamily **MUSCICAPINAE**

Genus **Terpsiphone** Gloger

Syn. *Tchitrea* Lesson

Species in India—*Terpsiphone paradisi*.

Genus **Hypothymis** Boie

Species in India—*Hypothymis azurea*.

Genus **Philentoma** Eyton

Species in India—*Philentoma velata* and *P. pyrrhoptera*.

Genus **Ficedula**⁴ Brisson

Syn. *Siphia* Hodgson, *Muscicapula* Blyth (part),
Ochromela Blyth, *Anthipes* Blyth

Species in India—*Ficedula parva*, *F. strophiata*, *F. monileger*, *F. hyperythra*, *F. hodgsoni*, *F. nigrorufa*, *F. westermanni*, *F. superciliaris*, *F. tricolor* and *F. sapphira*.

¹ Status doubtful [see Ticehurst, *Ibis*, (14) 4 : 726-727 (1940)].

² Includes *macei*.

³ Includes *sykesi*.

⁴ Limits of this genus have been based on Vaurie, *Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist.* (in press).

Genus Niltava¹ Hodgson

Syn. *Muscicapula* Blyth (part),
Muscicapella Bianchi, *Olcynnis* Baker

Species in India—*Niltava grandis*, *N. macgrigoriae*, *N. sundara*, *N. vivida*, *N. concreta*, *N. pallipes*, *N. poliogenys*, *N. unicolor*, *N. rubeculoides*, *N. banyumas*², *N. tickelliae* and *N. hodgsoni*.

Genus Muscicapa¹ Brisson

Syn. *Hemicelidon* Hodgson, *Alseonax* Cabanis,
Eumyias Cabanis

Species in India—*Muscicapa striata*, *M. sibirica*, *M. latirostris*, *M. muttui*, *M. ruficauda*, *M. ferruginea*, *M. sordida*, *M. thalassina* and *M. albicaudata*.

Genus Culicicapa Swinhoe

Species in India—*Culicicapa ceylonensis*.

Genus Rhinomyias Sharpe

Species in India—*Rhinomyias olivacea* and *R. brunneata* (regular visitor).

Genus Pachycephala Vigors

Syn. *Muscitrea* Blyth

Species in India—*Pachycephala griseola*.

Genus Rhipidura Vigors and Horsfield

Syn. *Leucocirca* Swainson, *Chelidorhynx* Blyth

Species in India—*Rhipidura hypoxantha*, *R. albicollis*, *R. aureola*, *R. pectoralis* and *R. javanica*.

Subfamily TIMALIINAE

of. Delacour, *L'Oiseau*, 16 : 7-32 (1946).

Genus Pellorneum Swainson

Species in India—*Pellorneum ruficeps*, *P. palustre*, *P. fuscicapillum*, *P. nigrocapitatum* and *P. albiventer*.

Genus Malacocincla Blyth

Syn. *Erythrocichla* Sharpe, *Aethostoma* Sharpe

Species in India—*Malacocincla tickelli*, *M. rostrata*, *M. bicolor*, *M. sepiaria* and *M. abbotti*.

¹ Limits of these genera have been based on Vaurie, *Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist.* (in press.)

² Includes *whitei* and *magnirostris*.

Genus Malacopteron Eyton

Syn. *Ophrydornis* Büttikofer

Species in India—*Malacopteron magnum* and *M. magnirostre*.

Genus Pomatorhinus Horsfield

Species in India—*Pomatorhinus montanus*¹, *P. ruficollis*, *P. erythrogenys*, *P. hypoleucus*, *P. ferruginosus* and *P. ochraceiceps*.

Genus Xiphirhynchus Blyth

Syn. *Xiphorhamphus* Blyth

Species in India—*Xiphirhynchus superciliaris*.

Genus Rimator Blyth

Species in India—*Rimator malacoptilus*.

Genus Turdinus Blyth

Syn. *Gypsoptila* Oates

Species in India—*Turdinus crispifrons*, *T. brevicaudatus* and *T. epilepidotus*²

Genus Pnoepyga Hodgson

Species in India—*Pnoepyga albiventer* and *Pn. pusilla*.

Genus Spelaeornis David and Oustalet

Syn. *Elachura* Oates

of. Ripley, *Auk*, 67 : 390-391 (1950).

Species in India—*Spelaeornis formosa*, *S. haplonota*³, *S. troglodytoides*⁴, *S. caudata*⁵ and *S. longicaudata*.

Genus Sphenocichla Godwin-Austen and Walden

Species in India—*Sphenocichla humei*⁶.

Genus Stachyris Blyth

Syn. *Cyanoderma* Salvadori, *Stachyridopsis* Sharpe, *Thringorkina* Oates

Species in India—*Stachyris rufifrons*, *S. ruficeps*, *S. pyrrhops*, *S. chrysaea*, *S. striata*⁷, *S. nigriceps*, *S. oglei* and *S. erythroptera*.

Genus Dumetia Blyth

Species in India—*Dumetia hyperythra*⁸.

¹ Includes *schisticeps*, *horsfieldi*, *olivaceus* and *nuchalis* groups.

² Includes *roberti* group.

³ Taxonomic status doubtful [see Ticehurst, *Ibis*, (14) 3 : 349 (1939)].

⁴ Includes *sherriffi* and *souliei*.

⁵ Includes *chocolatinus*, *badeigularis* (?), *sinlumensis*, *kauriensis*, *reptatus* and *oatesi*.

⁶ Includes *roberti*.

⁷ Includes *guttata*.

⁸ Includes *albogularis*.

Genus **Rhopocichla** OatesSpecies in India—*Rhopocichla atriceps*.Genus **Macronus** Jardine and SelbySyn. *Mixornis* BlythSpecies in India—*Macronus gularis*.Genus **Timalia** HorsfieldSpecies in India—*Timalia pileata*.Genus **Chrysomma** BlythSpecies in India—*Chrysomma sinense* and *C. altirostre*.Genus **Panurus** KochSpecies in India—*Panurus biarmicus*¹.Genus **Paradoxornis** GouldSyn. *Suthora* Hodgson, *Conostoma* Hodgson,
Psittiparus Hellmayr, *Neosuthora* HellmayrSpecies in India—*Paradoxornis aemodium*, *P. unicolor*, *P. webbiana*,
P. fulvifrons, *P. poliotis*, *P. nipalensis*, *P. verreauxi*, *P. dravidiana*,
P. atrosuperciliaris, *P. ruficeps*, *P. gularis* and *P. flavirostris*².Genus **Turdoides** CretzschmarSyn. *Argya* Lesson, *Acanthoptila* BlythSpecies in India—*Turdoides nipalensis*, *T. caudata*, *T. earlei*, *T. gularis*, *T. longirostris*, *T. malcolmi*, *T. subrufa*, *T. rufescens*, *T. somervillei* and *T. striata*.Genus **Babax** DavidSpecies in India—*Babax lanceolatus* and *B. waddelli*.Genus **Garrulax** LessonSyn. *Ianthocincla* Gould, *Trochalopteron* Blyth, *Grammatoptila* Reichenbach,
Stactocichla Sharpe, *Dryonastes* SharpeSpecies in India—*Garrulax cinereifrons*, *G. albogularis*, *G. moniliger*,
G. pectoralis, *G. striatus*, *G. leucolophus*, *G. strepitans*, *G. chinensis*, *G. nuchalis*, *G. galbanus*, *G. gularis*³, *G. variegatus*, *G. cineraceus*, *G. rufo-gularis*, *G. ocellatus*, *G. caeruleatus*, *G. ruficollis*, *G. merulinus*, *G. sannio*,
*G. cachinnans*⁴, *G. lineatus*, *G. virgatus*, *G. austeni*, *G. squamatus*, *G. subunicolor*, *G. affinis*, *G. erythrocephalus* and *G. milnei*.Genus **Liocichla** SwinhoeSpecies in India—*Liocichla phoenicea* and *L. ripponi*.¹ Status doubtful, recorded once only.² Includes *guttaticollis*.³ Includes *delesserti*.⁴ Includes *jerdoni*.

Genus **Leiothrix** SwainsonSyn. *Mesia* HodgsonSpecies in India—*Leiothrix argentauris* and *L. lutea*.Genus **Myzornis** BlythSpecies in India—*Myzornis pyrrhura*.Genus **Cutia** HodgsonSpecies in India—*Cutia nipalensis*.Genus **Pteruthius** SwainsonSyn. *Hilarocichla* OatesSpecies in India—*Pteruthius rufiventer*, *Pt. erythropterus*¹, *Pt. xanthochloris*, *Pt. melanotis* and *Pt. aenobarbus*.Genus **Gampsorhynchus** BlythSpecies in India—*Gampsorhynchus rufulus*.Genus **Actinodura** GouldSyn. *Sibia* HodgsonSpecies in India—*Actinodura egertoni*² and *A. nipalensis*.Genus **Minla** HodgsonSyn. *Siva* Hodgson, *Staphida* SwinhoeSpecies in India—*Minla ignotincta*, *M. strigula*, *M. cyanouroptera* and *M. castaniceps*³.Genus **Yuhina** HodgsonSyn. *Erpornis* Hodgson, *Ixulus* HodgsonSpecies in India—*Yuhina humilis*, *Y. bakeri*, *Y. flavigularis*, *Y. gularis*, *Y. diademata*, *Y. occipitalis*, *Y. nigrimentum* and *Y. zantholeuca*.Genus **Alcippe** BlythSyn. *Schoeniparus* Hume, *Fulvetta* David and Oustalet,
Lioparus Oates, *Pseudominla* OatesSpecies in India—*Alcippe chrysotis*, *A. cinerea*, *A. castaneiceps*, *A. vinipectus*, *A. cinereiceps*⁴, *A. dubia*, *A. poiocephala* and *A. nipalensis*.Genus **Heterophasia** BlythSyn. *Leioptila* "Blyth" BakerSpecies in India—*Heterophasia annectans*, *H. capistrata*⁵, *H. melanoleuca*, *H. pulchella* and *H. picaoides*.¹ Includes *aeralatus*.² Includes *ramsayi* group.³ Includes *striatus* group.⁴ Includes *manipurensis*.⁵ Includes *gracilis* and *castanoptera* groups.

Subfamily *SYLVIINAE*Genus *Tesia* HodgsonSpecies in India—*Tesia cyaniventer* and *T. olivea*.Genus *Oligura* HodgsonSyn. *Chlorotesia* Delacourcf. Deignan, *Postilla*, no. 7, p. 4 (1951).Species in India—*Oligura castaneocoronata*.Genus *Cettia* Bonaparte*UROSPHENA* Swinhoe and HORREITES Hodgson [syn. *Horornis* Hodgson, *Neornis* Blyth, *Homochlamys* Salvadori] are subgenera.cf. Delacour, *Ibis*, 84 : 509-519 ; 85 : 27-31 (1942-43).Species in India¹—*Cettia squameiceps* (regular visitor), *C. pallidipes*, *C. diphone*² (casual visitor), *C. fortipes*³, *C. major*, *C. flavolivacea*, *C. acanthizoides*, *C. brunnifrons* and *C. cetti* (regular visitor).Genus *Bradypterus* SwainsonSyn. *Dumeticola* Blyth*TRIBURA* Hodgson [syn. *Elaphrornis* Legge] is a subgenus.cf. Delacour, *Ibis*, 85 : 31-40 (1943).Species in India—*Bradypterus thoracicus*, *B. major*, *B. taczanowskii* (regular visitor), *B. luteoventris* and *B. palliseri*.Genus *Hippolais* BaldersteinSpecies in India⁴—*Hippolais caligata*⁵, *H. scita* (regular visitor) and *H. languida*.Genus *Sylvia* ScopoliSpecies in India—*Sylvia nana*, *S. althaea*, *S. curruca*, *S. hortensis* and *S. communis* (regular visitor).Genus *Graminicola* JerdonSpecies in India—*Graminicola bengalensis*.Genus *Megalurus* HorsfieldSpecies in India—*Megalurus palustris*.Genus *Phragmaticola* JerdonSpecies in India—*Phragmaticola aēdon* (regular visitor).¹ *Neornis albiventer* Godwin-Austen, generally included in the Indian avifauna, is an imaginary species, being the same as *Pellorneum albiventer* (Timaliinae).² Includes *canturians*.³ Includes *pallidus*.⁴ Baker's [*Faun. Brit. India, Bds.*, 2 : 443 (1924)] inclusion of *Hippolais pallida* in the Indian avifauna is based on a very doubtful record. The validity of *Hippolais obsoleta*, generally included in the Indian list, is questionable.⁵ Includes *rama*.

Genus **Schoenicola** Blyth

Species in India—*Schoenicola platyura*.

Genus **Chaetornis** G. R. Gray

Species in India—*Chaetornis striatus*.

Genus **Lusciniola** G. R. Gray

Species in India—*Lusciniola melanopogon*.

Genus **Locustella** Kaup

Species in India—*Locustella certhiola* (regular visitor), *L. lanceolata* (regular visitor) and *L. naevia*.

Genus **Acrocephalus** Naumann

Species in India—*Acrocephalus dumetorum*, *A. agricola*¹, *A. orinus*, *A. stentoreus*² and *A. arundinaceus* (regular visitor).

Genus **Phylloscopus** Boie

Syn. Acanthopneuste Blasius, *Herbivocula* Swinhoe

cf. Ticehurst, Syst. Rev. Phylloscopus, 193 pp. (1938).

Species in India—*Phylloscopus collybita*, *P. neglectus*, *P. tytleri*, *P. affinis*, *P. griseolus*, *P. fuligiventer*, *P. fuscatus* (regular visitor), *P. armandi* (regular visitor), *P. schwarzi* (regular visitor), *P. pulcher*, *P. inornatus*, *P. subviridis*, *P. proregulus*, *P. maculipennis*, *P. borealis* (regular visitor), *P. magnirostris*, *P. trochilooides*, *P. tenellipes* (regular visitor), *P. occipitalis*, *P. coronatus* (regular visitor), *P. reguloides*, *P. davisoni* and *P. cantator*.

Genus **Regulus** Cuvier

Species in India—*Regulus regulus*.

Genus **Leptopoecile** Severtzov

Species in India—*Leptopoecile sophiae*.

Genus **Seicercus** Swainson

Species in India—*Seicercus burkei*, *S. castaniceps*, *S. affinis*, *S. polio-*
genys and *S. xanthoschistos*.

Genus **Abroscopus** Baker

Species in India—*Abroscopus superciliaris*, *A. albogularis*, *A. schisti-*
oeps and *A. flavogularis*³.

Genus **Tickellia** Blyth

Species in India—*Tickellia hodgsoni*.

¹ Includes *concinens* group.

² Includes *bistrigiceps*.

³ Validity of this species is doubtful [see also Ticehurst, *Ibis*, (14) 5: 178 (1941)].

Genus **Orthotomus** HorsfieldSyn. *Phyllergates* Sharpe

Species in India—*Orthotomus coronatus*, *O. sutorius*, *O. atrogularis* and *O. ruficeps*.

Genus **Prinia** HorsfieldSyn. *Suya* Hodgson, *Franklinia* Jerdon, *Laticilla* Blyth, *Scotocerca* Sundevallcf. Deignan, *Smithson. Misc. Coll.*, 103 (3) : 1. (1942).

Species in India—*Prinia socialis*, *P. inornata*, *P. sylvatica*, *P. hodgsoni*, *P. rufescens*, *P. polychroa*¹, *P. gracilis*, *P. superciliaris*, *P. cinereocapilla*, *P. buchanani*, *P. flaviventris*, *P. atrogularis*, *P. burnesi*² and *P. inquieta*.

Genus **Cisticola** Kaup

Species in India—*Cisticola exilis* and *C. juncidis*.

Subfamily **TURDINAE**Genus **Luscinia** T. ForsterSyn. *Larvivora* Hodgson

Species in India—*Luscinia megarhyncha* (casual visitor), *L. brunneae*³ and *L. cyane* (regular visitor).

Genus **Erythacus** CuvierSyn. *Cyanosylvia* Brehm, *Calliope* Gould, *Muscisylvia* Hodgson, *Tarsiger* Hodgson, *Myiomela* G. R. Gray, *Ianthia* Blyth

Species in India—*Erythacus chrysaceus*, *E. hyperythrus*, *E. indicus*, *E. cyanurus*, *E. leucura*, *E. svecicus* (regular visitor), *E. cyaneculus*, *E. calliope* (regular visitor) and *E. pectoralis*⁴.

Genus **Grandala** Hodgson

Species in India—*Grandala coelicolor*.

Genus **Hodgsonius** Bonaparte

Species in India—*Hodgsonius phoenicuroides*.

Genus **Erythropygia** SmithSyn. *Agrobates* Swainson

Species in India—*Erythropygia galactotes* (? regular visitor).

Genus **Phoenicurus** T. ForsterSyn. *Chaimarrornis* Hodgson, *Adelura* Bonaparte, *Rhyacornis* Blanford

Species in India—*Phoenicurus ochruros*, *P. erythronotus* (regular visitor), *P. hodgsoni* (regular visitor), *P. frontalis*, *P. schisticeps*, *P.*

¹ Includes *criniger* group.² Includes *cinerascens*.³ Includes *wickhami*.⁴ Includes *tschepaiewi*.

fuliginosus, *P. caeruleocephalus*, *P. auroreus* (regular visitor), *P. erythro-gaster* and *P. leucocephalus*.

Genus **Copsychus** Wagler

Syn. *Kittacincla* Gould

Species in India—*Copsychus saularis* and *C. macrourus*.

Genus **Saxicoloides** Lesson

Species in India—*Saxicoloides fulicata*.

Genus **Cinclidium** Blyth

Syn. *Callene* Blyth

Species in India—*Cinclidium frontale*.

Genus **Turdus** Linné

Syn. *Arceuthornis* Kaup, *Geokichla* S. Müller

Species in India—*Turdus albocinctus*, *T. feae*, *T. viscivorus*, *T. ruficollis*¹, *T. musicus*², *T. obscurus* (regular visitor), *T. pilaris* (regular visitor), *T. unicolor*, *T. rubrocanus*, *T. dissimilis*, *T. sibirica* (regular visitor), *T. kessleri*³, *T. boulboul*, *T. merula*, *T. eunomus* (regular visitor), *T. wardi* and *T. citrinus*.

Genus **Zoothera** Vigors

Syn. *Oreocincla* Gould

Species in India—*Zoothera marginata*, *Z. monticola*, *Z. spilogoptera*, *Z. dauma*⁴, *Z. dixoni* and *Z. molissima*.

Genus **Monticola** Boie

Species in India—*Monticola solitarius*⁵, *M. saxatilis* (regular visitor) and *M. gularis*⁶.

Genus **Oenanthe** Vieillot

Species in India—*Oenanthe isabellina*, *Oe. deserti*, *Oe. xanthopyryma* (regular visitor), *Oe. oenanthe*, *Oe. finschi*, *Oe. leucomela*, *Oe. monacha*, *Oe. picata*⁷ and *Oe. alboniger*.

Genus **Cercomela** Bonaparte

Species in India—*Cercomela fusca*.

Genus **Saxicola** Bechstein

Syn. *Rhodophila* Jerdon

Species in India—*Saxicola macrorhyncha*, *S. insignis*, *S. ferrea*, *S. melanoleuca*, *S. caprata*, *S. torquata* and *S. leucura*.

¹ Includes *atrogularis*.

² Occurrence in India doubtful.

³ Status doubtful, once recorded from India.

⁴ Includes *aurea*.

⁵ Includes *rufiventris*.

⁶ Includes *cinctorhyncha*.

⁷ ‘*Oenanthe capistrata*’ and ‘*Oe. opistholeuca*’ are colour phases of *Oenanthe picata*.

Genus Brachypteryx Horsfield
Syn. Heteroxenicus Sharpe

Species in India—*Brachypteryx stellatus*, *B. hyperythrus*, *B. major*, *B. montana*¹ and *B. leucophrys*².

Genus Myiophonus Temminck
Syn. Arrenga Lesson

cf. Delacour, *Auk*, 59 : 246-264 (1942).

Species in India—*Myiophonus blighi*, *M. caeruleus* and *M. horsfieldi*.

Genus Cochoa Hodgson

Species in India—*Cochoa viridis*³ and *C. purpurea*.

Genus Enicurus Temminck

Syn. Hydrocichla Sharpe, Microcichla Sharpe

Species in India—*Enicurus maculatus*, *E. leschenaulti*⁴, *E. scouleri*, *E. immaculatus*, *E. schistaceus* and *E. ruficapilla*.

Subfamily TROGLODYTINAE

Genus Troglodytes Vieillot

Species in India—*Troglodytes troglodytes*.

Subfamily CINCLINAE

Genus Cinclus Borkhausen

Species in India—*Cinclus cinclus* and *C. pallasi*.

Family PRUNELLIDAE

Genus Prunella Vieillot

Syn. Laiscopus Gloger

Species in India—*Prunella collaris*, *P. himalayana*, *P. strophiata*, *P. rubeculoides*, *P. atrogularis*, *P. fulvescens* and *P. immaculata*.

Family MOTACILLIDAE

Genus Anthus Bechstein

Syn. Oreocorys Sharpe

Species in India—*Anthus hodgsoni*, *A. trivialis*, *A. pratensis*, *A. similis*, *A. campestris*, *A. nilghiriensis*, *A. novaeseelandiae*⁵, *A. rufogularis*, *A. sylvana*, *A. roseata* and *A. spilonetta*.

¹ Includes *cruoralis* and *sinensis*.

² Includes *nipalensis*.

³ *Cochoa rothschildi* Baker is only a colour phase of *C. viridis*.

⁴ Includes *frontalis*.

⁵ Includes *rufulus* and *richardi* groups.

Genus **Motacilla** LinnéSyn. *Dendronanthus* Blyth

Species in India.—*Motacilla flava*¹, *M. citreola*, *M. cinerea*, *M. maderaspatensis*, *M. alba* and *M. indica*.

Family **LANIIDAE**Subfamily **LANNIINAE**Genus **Lanius** Linné

Species in India—*Lanius tigrinus*, *L. excubitor*, *L. colluroides*, *L. vittatus*, *L. collaris* (regular visitor). *L. tephronotus*, *L. schach*², *L. cristatus* and *L. senator*³.

Family **ARTAMIDAE**Genus **Artamus** Vieillot

Species in India—*Artamus fuscus*.

Family **BOMBYCILLIDAE**Subfamily **HYPNOCOLIINAE**Genus **Hypocolius** Bonaparte

cf. Dealcourt and Amadon, *Ibis*, 91 : 427-429 (1949).

Species in India—*Hypocolius ampelinus* (casual visitor).

Subfamily **BOMBYCILLINAE**Genus **Bombycilla** Vieillot

Species in India—*Bombycilla garrulus* (casual visitor).

Family **CERTHIIDAE**Genus **Certhia** Linné

Species in India—*Certhia familiaris*, *C. stoliczkae*, *C. himalayana* and *C. discolor*.

Family **SITTIDAE**Subfamily **SALPORNIINAE**Genus **Salpornis** G. R. Gray

Species in India—*Salpornis spilonotus*.

¹Includes *feldegg*.

²Includes *tricolor* (olim *nigriceps*) group.

³Occurrence in India doubtful.

Genus **Tichodroma** IlligerSpecies in India—*Tichodroma muraria*.Subfamily **SITTINAE**Genus **Sitta** LinnéSpecies in India—*Sitta europaea*¹, *S. magna*, *S. leucopsis*, *S. himalayensis*, *S. victoriae*, *S. frontalis*, *S. formosa* and *S. tephronota*.Family **PARIDAE**Subfamily **PARINAE**Genus **Parus** LinnéSyn. *Lophophanes* Kaup, *Machlolophus* Cabanis.Species in India—*Parus ater*, *P. nuchalis*, *P. cyanus*, *P. palustris*², *P. major*, *P. monticola*, *P. xanthogenys*³, *P. rubidiventris*⁴, *P. melanolophus* and *P. dichrous*.Genus **Melanochlora** LessonSpecies in India—*Melanochlora sultanea*.Genus **Sylviparus** BurtonSpecies in India—*Sylviparus modestus*.Subfamily **AEGITHALINAE**Genus **Aegithalos** HermannSyn. *Aegithaliscus* Cabanis.Species in India—*Aegithalos iouschistos*, *Ae. niveogularis*, *Ae. cinninus*, *Ae. bonvaloti* and *Ae. leucogenys*.Subfamily **REMIZINAE**Genus **Remiz** JarockiSpecies in India—*Remiz pendulinus*⁵ (casual visitor).Genus **Cephalopyrus** BonaparteSpecies in India—*Cephalopyrus flammiceps*.Family **DICAEIDAE***cf.* Mayr and Amadon, *Amer. Mus. Novit.*, no. 1360, pp. 1-32 (1947).¹Includes *castanea* group and *cashmiriensis*.²Occurrence in India doubtful.³Includes *spilonotus* group.⁴Includes *rufonuchalis* group.⁵Includes *coronatus*.

Genus **Anaimos** Reichenbach

Species in India—*Anaimos maculatus* and *A. percussus*¹.

Genus **Dicaeum** Cuvier

Syn. *Pachyglossa* Blyth, *Piprisoma* Blyth, *Acmonorhynchus* Oates

Species in India—*Dicaeum agile*, *D. chrysorrheum*, *D. melanoxanthum*, *D. vincens*, *D. trigonostigma*, *D. erythrorhynchos*, *D. concolor*, *D. cruentatum* and *D. ignipectus*.

Family NECTARINIIDAE

cf. Delacour, *Zoologica*, 29 : 17-38 (1944).

Genus **Anthreptes** Swainson

Syn. *Chalcoparia* Cabanis

Species in India—*Anthreptes simplex*, *A. malaccensis*, *A. rhodolaema* and *A. singalensis*.

Genus **Nectarinia** Illiger

Syn. *Cinnyris* Cuvier

CYANOMITRA Reichenbach and **LEPTOCOMA** Cabanis [syn. *Chalcostetha* Cabanis] are subgenera.

Species in India—*Nectarinia hypogrammica*, *N. zeylonica*, *N. minima*, *N. sperata*², *N. chalcostetha*, *N. lotenia*, *N. jugularis*³ and *N. asiatica*.

Genus **Aethopyga** Cabanis

Species in India—*Aethopyga gouldiae*⁴, *Ae. nipalensis*, *Ae. saturata*⁵, *Ae. siparaja* and *Ae. ignicauda*.

Genus **Arachnothera** Temminck

Species in India—*Arachnothera longirostris*, *A. chrysogenys*, *A. affinis* and *A. magna*.

Family ZOSTEROPIDAE

Genus **Zosterops** Vigors and Horsfield

Species in India—*Zosterops japonica*⁶, *Z. palpebrosa*⁷, *Z. siamensis* and *Z. ceylonensis*.

Family FRINGILLIDAE

Subfamily **EMBERIZINAE**

¹Includes *ignicapillus*.

²Includes *brasiliana*.

³Includes *pectoralis* and *flamaxillaris* groups.

⁴Includes *dabryi*.

⁵Includes *sanguinipectus* group.

⁶Includes *simplex* group.

⁷Includes *aureiventris* group.

Genus **Emberiza** Linné

Species in India¹—*Emberiza schoeniclus*, *E. striolata*, *E. pusilla*, *E. fucta*, *E. cia*², *E. buchanani*, *E. hortulana*, *E. stewarti*, *E. spodocephala*, *E. aureola*, *E. rutilla*, *E. brunneiceps*, *E. melanocephala*, *E. leucocephala* and *E. calandra*.

Genus **Melophus** Swainson

Species in India—*Melophus lathami*.

Subfamily **FRINGILLINAE**Genus **Fringilla** Linné

Species in India—*Fringilla coelebs* (casual visitor).

Subfamily **CARDUELINAE**Genus **Serinus** Brisson

Syn. *Metoponia* Bonaparte

Species in India—*Serinus pusillus*.

Genus **Carduelis** Brisson

Syn. *Acanthis* Borkhausen, *Spinus* Koch, *Chrysomitris* Boie,
Hypacanthis Cabanis

Species in India—*Carduelis spinoides*, *C. carduelis*³, *C. flavirostris*, *C. cannabina* and *C. thibetana*.

Genus **Callacanthis** Bonaparte

Species in India—*Callacanthis burtoni*.

Genus **Leucosticte** Swainson

Syn. *Fringalauda* Hodgson

Species in India—*Leucosticte nemoricola* and *L. brandti*.

Genus **Rhodopechys** Cabanis

Syn. *Bucanetes* Cabanis, *Rhodospiza* Sharpe

Species in India⁴—*Rhodopechys mongolica*, *R. githaginea* and *R. obsoleta*.

Genus **Erythrina** Brehm

Syn. *Carpodacus* Kaup, *Procarduelis* Blyth, *Propasser* Hodgson,
Pyrrhospiza Blyth

Species in India—*Erythrina erythrina*, *E. rubescens*, *E. nivalensis*, *E. vinacea*, *E. rhodochrous*, *E. rhodochlamys*, *E. verreauxi*, *E. rhodopepla*,

¹Baker's [*Faun. Brit. India, Bds.*, 3 : 219 (1926)] inclusion of *Emberiza citrinella* in the Indian list is without any authentic basis.

²*Emberiza godlewskii* Taczanowski, which is here included as a subspecies of *E. cia*, may ultimately prove to be a separate species.

³Includes *caniceps* group.

⁴There is no actual record of the occurrence of *Rhodopechys sanguinea* in India, although it is included in the Indian list by Baker [*Faun. Brit. India, Bds.*, 3 : 144-145 (1926)].

E. edwardsi, *E. pulcherrima*, *E. thura*, *E. rubicilla*¹, *E. rubicilloides* and *E. punicea*.

Genus **Propyrrhula** Hodgson

Species in India—*Propyrrhula subhimachala*.

Genus **Loxia** Linné

Species in India—*Loxia curvirostra*.

Genus **Pyrrhoplectes** Hodgson

Species in India—*Pyrrhoplectes epaulettta*.

Genus **Haematospiza** Blyth

Species in India—*Haematospiza sipahi*.

Genus **Pyrrhula** Brisson

Species in India—*Pyrrhula aurantiaca*, *P. erythrocephala*, *P. erythaea* and *P. nipalensis*.

Genus **Mycerobas** Cabanis

Syn. *Perissospiza* Oberholser

Species in India—*Mycerobas caniceps*, *M. melanozanthos* and *M. icterooides*.

Genus **Coccothraustes** Brisson

Species in India—*Coccothraustes coccothraustes*.

Family PLOCÉIDAE

Subfamily PASSERINAE

Genus **Petronia** Kaup

Syn. *Gymnoris* Blyth

cf. Vaurie, *Amer. Mus. Novit.*, no. 1406, p. 2 (1949).

Species in India—*Petronia petronia* and *P. xanthocollis*.

Genus **Passer** Brisson

Species in India—*Passer domesticus*, *P. hispaniolensis*, *P. montanus*, *P. rutilans*, *P. pyrrhonotus* and *P. flaveolus*.

Genus **Montifringilla** Brehm

Species in India²—*Montifringilla adamsi*, *M. tacjanowskii*, *M. ruficollis* and *M. blanfordi*.

¹Includes *cerertzovi*.

²Baker's [*Faun. Brit. India, Bds.*, 3 : 186-187 (1926)] inclusion of *Montifringilla nivalis* in the Indian list is based on a probable sight record from Safed Koh.

Subfamily *PLOCEINAE*Genus **Ploceus** Cuvier.Syn. *Ploceella* Hume

Species in India—*Ploceus philippinus*¹, *P. manyar*, *P. megarkynchus*, *P. benghalensis* and *P. hypoxanthus*.

Subfamily *ESTRILDINAE*

cf. Delacour, *Zoologica*, 28 : 69-86 (1943).

Genus **Estrilda** Swainson

AMANDAVA Blyth [syn. *Stictospiza* Sharpe] is a subgenus.

Species in India—*Estrilda amandava*² and *E. formosa*.

Genus **Erythrura** Swainson

Species in India—*Erythrura prasina*.

Genus **Lonchura** SykesSyn. *Uroloncha* Cabanis

EUODICE Bonaparte and **MUNIA** Hodgson are subgenera.

Species in India—*Lonchura malabarica*, *L. striata*, *L. leucogastra*, *L. kelaarti*³, *L. punctulata* and *L. malacca*⁴.

Family **STURNIDAE**

cf. Amadon, *Amer. Mus. Novit.*, no. 1247, pp. 1-16 (1943).

Subfamily *STURNINAE*Genus **Saroglossa** Blyth

Species in India—*Saroglossa spiloptera*.

Genus **Aplonis** GouldSyn. *Lamprocorax* Bonaparte

Species in India—*Aplonis panayensis*.

Genus **Sturnus** Linné

Syn. *Pastor* Temminck, *Gracupica* Lesson, *Sturnia* Lesson, *Sturnopastor* Blyth *Temenuchus* Cabanis, *Sturnornis* Legge, *Spodiopsar* Sharpe, *Agropsar* Oates

Species in India—*Sturnus malabaricus*, *S. senex*, *S. pagodarum*, *S. sturninus* (regular visitor), *S. roseus* (regular visitor), *S. vulgaris*,

¹*Ploceus atrigula* (= *passerinus*) represents the intermediate populations of the eastern subhimalayas.

²Includes *flavidiventris*.

³Includes *jerdoni*.

⁴Includes *atricapilla* group.

S. cineraceus (casual visitor), *S. contra*, *S. nigricollis*, *S. burmanicus*¹ and *S. sinensis*² (regular visitor).

Genus **Acridotheres** Vieillot

Syn. *Aethiopsar* Oates

Species in India—*Acridotheres tristis*, *A. ginginianus*, *A. fuscus*³, *A. cristatellus* (regular visitor) and *A. albocinctus*.

Genus **Mino** Lesson

Syn. *Ampeliceps* Blyth

Species in India—*Mino coronatus*.

Genus **Gracula** Linné

Species in India—*Gracula religiosa* and *G. ptilogenys*.

Family ORIOLIDAE

Genus **Oriolus** Linné

Species in India—*Oriolus oriolus*, *O. chinensis*, *O. xanthornus*, *O. xanthonotus* and *O. trailli*.

Family DICRURIDAE

cf. Vaurie, *Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist.*, 93 : 205-342 (1949).

Genus **Dicrurus** Vieillot

Syn. *Chibia* Hodgson, *Bhringa* Hodgson, *Chaptia* Hodgson, *Dissemurus* Gloger, *Dissemuroides* Hume, *Dissemurulus* Oates

Species in India—*Dicrurus macrocerus*, *D. leucophaeus*⁴, *D. caerulescens*, *D. annectens*, *D. aeneus*, *D. remifer*, *D. hottentottus*, *D. andamanensis* and *D. paradiseus*⁵.

Family CORVIDAE

cf. Amadon, *Amer. Mus. Novit.*, no. 1251, pp. 1-21 (1944).

Genus **Platylophus** Swainson

Species in India—*Platylophus galericulatus*.

Genus **Garrulus** Brisson

Species in India—*Garrulus glandarius*⁶ and *G. lanceolatus*.

¹Includes *leucocephalus*.

²Replaces *Sturnus buffonianus* Lesson, for *Oriolus sinensis* Gmelin is not preoccupied by *O. chinensis* Linné.

³Includes *grandis* and *mahratiensis*.

⁴Includes *leucogenys*.

⁵Includes *lophorinus*.

⁶Includes *bispecularis* and *leucotis* groups.

Genus **Kitta** TemminckSyn. *Cissa* Boie, *Urocissa* CabanisSpecies in India—*Kitta chinensis*, *K. ornata*, *K. flavirostris* and *K. erythrorhyncha*.Genus **Pica** BrissonSpecies in India—*Pica pica*.Genus **Crypsirina** VieillotSyn. *Dendrocitta* GouldSpecies in India—*Crypsirina vagabunda*, *C. frontalis*, *C. leucogaster*, *C. formosae*, *C. bayleyi*, *C. temia* and *C. cucullata*.Genus **Platysmurus** ReichenbachSyn. *Glenargus* CabanisSpecies in India—*Platysmurus leucopterus*.Genus **Podoces** FischerSpecies in India—*Podoces humilis*.Genus **Nucifraga** BrissonSpecies in India—*Nucifraga caryocatactes*¹.Genus **Pyrrhocorax** TunstallSpecies in India—*Pyrrhocorax graculus* and *P. pyrrhocorax*.Genus **Corvus** LinnéSpecies in India—*Corvus splendens*, *C. frugilegus*, *C. monedula*, *C. macrorhynchos*, *C. corone*² and *C. corax*.¹Includes *multipunctata*.²Includes *cornix* group.

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