

## Order OPISTHOMI.

## Family MASTACEMBELIDAE.

61. *Mastacembelus armatus* (Lacep).

1937. *Mastacembelus armatus*, Shaw and Shebbeare, *J. Asiat. Bengal Sci.* 3 : 126.  
 1941. *Mastacembelus armatus*, Hora, *Rec. Indian Mus.* 43 : 256.

Local name : Khara Baira.

1. From tanks at Balangir. 10/11-3-46. One specimen, 345 mm. in length.
2. From Kudal Darh of the Tel river at Belgaon. 19-3-46. 1 specimen measuring 110 mm. in total length.

*Distribution.*—*Mastacembelus armatus* is found throughout India, Ceylon, Burma and China.

62. *Mastacembelus pancalus* (Ham.).

(Plate XIV, fig. 15.)

1937. *Mastacembelus pancalus*, Shaw and Shebbeare, *J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal Sci.* 3 : 126-127.

Local name : Baira.

1. From the Ang river at Agalpur. 9-3-46. One specimen, 147 mm. in total length.
2. From tanks at Balangir. 10/11-3-46. 2 specimens, 95 and 119 mm. in length.
3. From tanks at Patnagarh. 14-3-46. One specimen measuring 148 mm. in length.
4. From tanks at Titilagarh. 21-3-46. 3 specimens, 102-110 mm. in total length.

D. 20/2/48. P. 2/19. A. 3/40. C. 13.

*Distribution.*—According to Day *Mastacembelus pancalus* is found in large rivers of India and localities near the Sea.

## II. BIRDS.

The following is the list of birds collected by the party during the Survey of the Fish and Fisheries of the then Patna State, now Balangir District, in Orissa, during March 1946. The specimens were kindly identified by Dr. B. Biswas, now Officer-in-charge, Bird & Mammal Section, Zoological Survey of India.

## Order CICONIIFORMES.

## Family ARDEIDAE.

*Ardea cinerea rectirostris* Gould.

(The eastern gray heron.)

One female on the Ang river at Agalpur.

*Ardeola grayi* (Sykes).

(The pond heron.)

One female at Salebhatta.

**Bubulcus ibis coromandus** (Boddaert).

(The cattle egret.)

One juvenile female at Harishankar.

## Family THRESKIORNITHIDAE.

**Threskiornis melanocephala** (Latham.)

(The white ibis).

One male and a juvenile female at Chandanbhatti.

A specimen of the black ibis (*Pseudibis papillosa*) was also seen in the flock of white ibis.

## Order CHARADRIIFORMES.

## Family JACANIDAE.

**Metopidius indicus** (Latham).

(The bronze-winged jacana).

One female at Salebhatta. Also seen in large numbers at Titilagarh.

## Family MOTACILLIDAE.

**Motacilla alba dukhunensis** Sykes.

One female at Salebhatta.

## Family NECTARINIIDAE.

**Nectarinia asiatica asiatica** (Latham).

(The Indian purple sunbird.)

One female at Belgaon.

## Family STURNIDAE.

**Arcidotheres tristis tristis** (Linne.).

(The common myna.)

Two males at Salebhatta.

## Family ORIOLIDAE.

**Oriolus xanthornus xanthornus** (Linne.).

One male at Harishankar.

## Family DICRURIDAE.

**Dicrurus macrocercus macrocercus** Vieillot.

(The Indian black drongo.)

One male at Belgaon.

## Family CORVIDAE.

**Corvus macrorhynchus culminatus** Sykes.

(The Indian jungle crow.)

One male at Harishankar.

Family MEROPIDAE.

**Merops orientalis orientalis** Latham.

(The common Indian bee-eater.)

One male and a female at Salebhatta.

Family UPUPIDAE.

**Upupa epops epops** Linne.

(The European hoopoe.)

One unsexed, at Lerkipalli Agr. Farm.

Order PICIFORMES.

**Chrysocolaptes festivus festivus** (Boddaert).

(The black-backed woodpecker.)

One juvenile male at Belgaon.

Order PASSERIFORMES.

Family ALAUDIDAE.

**Mirafra erythroptera erythroptera** Blyth.

(The red-winged bush lark.)

One male at Salebhatta.

Family HIRUNDINIDAE.

**Hirundo smithi filifera** Stephens.

(The Indian wire-tailed swallow.)

One female at Salebhatta.

Family PYCNONOTIDAE.

**Pycnonotus cafer pallidus** Baker.

(The central Indian red-vented bulbul.)

One male at Belgaon.

Family CHARADRIIDAE.

**Hoplopterus duvauceli** (Lesson.)

(The spur-winged plover.)

One female at Salebhatta on the Ang river.

**Tringa ochropus** Linne.

(The green sandpiper.)

One female at Salebhatta.

***Tringa glareola* (Linne.).**

(The wood sandpiper.)

One male at Chandanbhatti on the Sukhtel river.

***Calidris minutus minhtus* (Leisler).**

(The little stint.)

One female on the Tel river at Belgaon.

## Order COLUMBIFORMES.

## Family COLUMBIDAE.

***Streptopelia decaocto decaocto* (Frivaldszky).**

(The Indian ring dove.)

One male at Balangir ; one male at Patnagarh.

***Streptopelia chinensis suratensis* (Gmelin).**

(The Indian spotted dove.)

One male at Salebhatta.

## Order CORACIIFORMES.

## Family CORACIDAE.

***Coracias benghalensis benghalensis* (Linne.).**

(The Indian roller.)

One male at Chandanbhatti.

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