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Sent: Wednesday, January 03, 2001 7:08 AM
Subject: Re: Information of Gulls.

Dear Col. Chacko,

- 1). Ripley, in his SYNOPSIS, lists it as a subspecies of the Herring Gull (*Larus argentatus heuglini*) Bree, 1876.
- 2). Kazmierczak, in his new field-guide, calls it Heuglin's Gull (*Larus heuglini*). Apparently the bird has been promoted to full species status and comprises of at least 2 subspecies, *taimyrensis* & *heuglini*.

I hope that answers your question. Wishing you and yours the best for the New Year!

Best wishes and regards!

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----- Original Message -----

From: Chacko
To: aasheesh@hd1.vsnl.net.in
Sent: Tuesday, January 02, 2001 7:59 PM
Subject: Information of Gulls.

Dear Aasheesh,

Recently, I came across a name Heuglin's Gull *Larus heuglini* in an article written by someone who had gone to Ladakh.

I don't seem to find this name in any of the books I have. Is it by any chance, the old name or the new name for the Brown-headed Gull *Larus brunnicapillus* ?

Could you please let me know the answer and if it is not, where can I get some description of this Gull ?.

Many thanks.

Sincerely, R T Chacko.