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Dear Krys,

I know I have delayed inordinately - business is so irritatingly persistent ! - and hope it has inconvenienced you. I hope you are well and are getting on with your book on birding hot-spots in India.

I am enclosing photocopies of 'Bustard Sanctuaries of India' by Rahmani & Manakadan and Tom Gullick's reports on his visit to South India, which you wanted. I have to send a subscription to Sanctuary and mail copies to you, which I will be doing this week.

I have a feeling that I am missing something which I had to send you, but cannot pin it down. If there is anything, please do write.

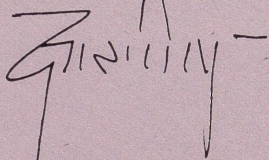
I am going to publish the 'species and areas' Index, as shown to you, for 90 volumes of the Journal of the BNHS and all the volumes of Stray Feathers. I hope it will be out by end June. I do not know if it is the right thing, but no suggestions / inputs coming from anywhere, I have decided to take the plunge. The first print run will be of 500 copies.

I got a copy of the audio cassette from Siva and think it is a fine piece of work. It has got some good reviews in the newspapers, though magazines and journals will take their own time to review it. I felt that your part should have been with a background of the bird-music you were announcing and after you'd finished, your voice would fade out and the birds take over. The contrast between studio and wilderness is too contrasty.

Enclosed is a copy of the latest issue of Mayura. *Comments please! Criticism please!*

Please write if I could help you in any way from here. With warm regards and best wishes,

Yours truly,



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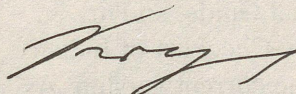


It has occurred to me that since we both use Microsoft Word 6 it might be easier and more fun if I send you a disk with the Checklist etc on it. I haven't tried this before but I see no reason why it shouldn't work and it will help save trees. I have been drawing the maps for the book with a couple of different programs, one of which enables the maps to be imported into Word fairly easily, so I have included a couple of those. You should be able to open them straightforwardly in the Layout mode in Word. If it doesn't work, then please let me know.

The rest of my trip after I left Hyderabad went fairly well. The high spots for me personally were finding Asian Dowitcher at Chilka Lake and Green Munia at Melghat. I must admit, however, that by the end of the two-and-a-half months I was quite glad to head home again. It's a pity that India and Germany aren't a bit nearer to each other, so that one could hop back and forth more easily.

Anyway, that's about all for now. Thanks again for the photocopies and Mayura. If there's anything else I can do for you, please let me know.

All the best



Krys

PS - If you do get hold of a copy of the topo map with Reddi Palle (Jerdon's Courser Site) on it I would be grateful for a photocopy of that section of it. The Survey of India office in Bhubaneswar only had maps of Orissa and surprisingly they don't appear to have an office in Bombay.

1. Wants photocopy of Reddi Palle area topo sheet.
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Dear Aasheesh,

I feel terribly guilty at not having written before now. My only excuse is that I have had a lot of writing to catch up on after having been away for so long. I had by no means forgotten our arrangement and have taken out a subscription for "Birding World" for you. It isn't entirely relevant to India but it does often carry interesting identification articles that can be useful in the Indian context and some of the photographs they publish are very good. It may, however, be some time before you receive the first issue, partly because my bank is reorganising itself and it may take a while for the payment to be sorted out.

I have been setting aside one or two things I was going to send you. For one thing I took the liberty of revamping and correcting the Index to the Plates in the Pictorial Guide, so I'm sending you a copy of that. You also asked me to send you a copy of my Checklist of Indian Birds. This seems to be in a constant state of flux but I'm sending you the current version. As you will see there are quite a few question marks and this is certainly not the final version for "A Birdwatchers' Guide to India". I'm hoping the OBC Checklist of Oriental Birds will be finished soon as I think I would probably like to follow their systematics and nomenclature. If you do have any comments, suggestions or notice any errors in the current list please do let me know. Please note that it is meant to be only a checklist of birds occurring in India and not the subcontinent.

Your kind letter and the enclosures arrived yesterday and they were certainly most welcome. Many thanks. I have amended my section on Rollapadu accordingly and am sending you a draft of that for your comments too. As you can see it is unfortunately rather terse, as I'm trying to avoid making the finished book too bulky.

Do you remember where exactly Talamudipi Tank is? I can find Talamudipi on the map. Is the tank near the village? Is it visible from the main road? Do you remember exactly how far it is from Rollapadu village?

I found the new issue of Mayura very good. Keep up the good work. It would be nice if the series could be brought up to date and then brought out on a regular basis. You did ask me to write something for the Newsletter and I will give this some thought when I have caught up with my current backlog.

A couple of small errors that I noticed crept in to your article on Rollapadu:

Rollapadu village is according to my map, and yours, south-east rather than south of Nandikotkur.

By "CRESTED LARK *Alauda gulgula*" (sic) I guess you mean CRESTED LARK SPECIES *Galerida* sp.

DRAFT

INDIAN MAMMALS

For the purposes of this checklist India includes Kashmir, Ladakh and Sikkim together with the Andaman and Nicobar Islands but not Bhutan.

Adapted from "The Mammals of the Indomalayan Region" G.B. Corbet & J.E. Hill. OUP. 1992. & "A World List of Mammalian Species" 2nd edn. G.B. Corbet and J.E. Hill, British Museum (Natural History), London, 1986.

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- Tikader, B.K. & Das, A.K. "Glimpses of Animal Life of Andaman & Nicobar Islands"
- Zoological Survey of India (1992) "Fauna of West Bengal"

Include a star rating as per Rare Mammals of the World ???

Should domesticated species be included ???

† indicates probably extinct in India
sp. = species

Alternative scientific names given in square brackets

- Chinese Pangolin (*Manis pentadactyla*)
- Indian Pangolin (*Manis crassicaudata*)
- Long-eared Hedgehog (*Hemiechinus collaris* [auritus])
- Indian Hedgehog, Pale Hedgehog (*Paraechinus micropus*)
- Himalayan Mole (*Talpa micrura*)
- Mole sp. (*Talpa leucura*)
- Lesser Stripe-backed Shrew, Lesser Striped Shrew (*Sorex bedfordiae*)
- Kashmir Shrew (*Sorex planiceps*)
- Sikkim Large-clawed Shrew, Himalayan Shrew (*Soriculus nigrescens*)
- Hodgson's Brown-toothed Shrew (*Soriculus caudatus*)
- Indian Long-tailed Shrew (*Soriculus leucops*)
- Mountain Shrew sp. (*Soriculus macrurus*)
- Mole-shrew (*Anousorex squamipes*)
- Himalayan Water Shrew (*Chimarrogale himalayica*)
- Elegant Water Shrew, Tibetan Water Shrew (*Nectogale elegans*)
- House Shrew, Grey Musk Shrew (*Suncus murinus*)
- House Shrew sp. (*Suncus montanus*)
- Anderson's Shrew, Yellow-throated Shrew (*Suncus stoliczkanus*)
- Shrew sp. (*Suncus dayi*)
- Pygmy White-toothed Shrew (*Suncus etruscus*)
- Andaman Spiny Shrew (*Crocidura hispida*)
- Nicobar Spiny Shrew (*Crocidura nicobarica*)
- Miller's Andaman Spiny Shrew (*Crocidura andamanensis*)
- Jenkin's Andaman Spiny Shrew (*Crocidura jenkinsi*)
- Grey Shrew, Woodland Shrew (*Crocidura attenuata*)
- Pale Grey Shrew (*Crocidura pergrisea*)
- Shrew sp. (*Crocidura gueldenstaedtii*)
- Bicoloured White-toothed Shrew (*Crocidura leucodon*) ??? - identity uncertain. cf. Corbet 1992.
- Horsfield's Shrew (*Crocidura horsfieldii*)
- Northern Tree Shrew (*Tupaia belangeri*)
- Nicobar Tree Shrew (*Tupaia nicobarica*)
- Madras Tree Shrew, Indian Tree Shrew (*Anathana ellioti*)
- Nicobar Flying Fox (*Pteropus faunulus*)
- Blyth's Flying Fox (*Pteropus melanotus*)
- Indian Flying Fox (*Pteropus giganteus*)
- Island Flying Fox (*Pteropus hypomelanus*)

- Large Flying Fox (*Pteropus vampyrus*)
- Leschenault's Rousette, Fulvous Fruit Bat (*Rousettus leschenaulti*)
- Lesser Dog-faced Fruit Bat (*Cynopterus brachyotis*)
- Short-nosed Fruit Bat, Indian Fruit Bat (*Cynopterus sphinx*)
- Niphan's Fruit Bat (*Megaerops niphanae*)
- Salim Ali's Fruit Bat (*Latidens salimalii*)
- Blanford's Fruit Bat, Mountain Fruit Bat (*Sphaerias blanfordi*)
- Dawn Bat, Cave Fruit Bat (*Eonycteris spelaea*)
- Hill Long-tongued Fruit Bat (*Macroglossus sobrinus*)
- Greater Mouse-tailed Bat, Larger Rat-tailed Bat (*Rhinopoma microphyllum*)
- Lesser Mouse-tailed Bat, Lesser Rat-tailed Bat (*Rhinopoma hardwickii*)
- Small Mouse-tailed Bat (*Rhinopoma muscatellum*)
- Egyptian Tomb Bat (*Taphozous perforatus*)
- Black-bearded Tomb Bat, Bearded Sheath-tailed Bat (*Taphozous melanopogon*)
- Long-winged Tomb Bat, Long-armed Sheath-tailed Bat (*Taphozous longimanus*)
- Theobald's Tomb Bat (*Taphozous theobaldi*)
- Naked-rumped Tomb Bat (*Taphozous nudiventris*)
- Blyth's Tomb Bat, Pouch-bearing Bat (*Taphozous saccolaimus*)
- Lesser False Vampire Bat (*Megaderma spasma*)
- Greater False Vampire Bat, Indian False Vampire (*Megaderma lyra*)
- Trefoil Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus trifolius*)
- Woolly Horseshoe Bat, Great Eastern Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus luctus*)
- Mitred Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus mitratus*) C India - status doubtful ???
- Pearson's Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus pearsoni*)
- Dobson's Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus yunanensis*)
- Blyth's Horseshoe Bat, Little Indian Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus lepidus*)
- Least Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus pusillus*)
- Bay Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus subbadius*)
- Andaman Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus cognatus*)
- Rufous Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus rouxii*)
- Intermediate Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus affinis*)
- Greater Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus ferrumequinum*)
- Lesser Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus hipposideros*)
- Big-eared Horseshoe Bat (*Rhinolophus macrotis*)
- Andersen's Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros pomona*)
- Dusky Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros ater*)
- Fulvous Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros fulvus*)
- Least Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros cineraceus*)
- Khajuria's Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros durgadasi*)
- Kolar Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros hypophyllos*)
- Cantor's Leaf-nosed Bat, Fawn Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros galeritus*)
- Himalayan Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros armiger*)
- Horsfield's Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros larvatus*)
- Schneider's Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros speoris*)
- Kelaart's Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros lankadiva*)
- Leaf-nosed Bat sp. (*Hipposideros schistaceus*)
- Diadem Leaf-nosed Bat (*Hipposideros diadema*)
- Tail-less Leaf-nosed Bat (*Coelops frithii*)
- Lesser Mouse-eared Bat (*Myotis blythii*)
- Mandelli's Mouse-eared Bat (*Myotis sicarius*)
- Hodgson's Bat (*Myotis formosus*)
- Himalayan Whiskered Bat (*Myotis siligorensis*)
- Whiskered Bat, Mustachioed Bat (*Myotis mystacinus*)
- Nepalese Whiskered Bat (*Myotis muricola*)
- Burmese Whiskered Bat (*Myotis montivagus*)
- Hairy-faced Bat (*Myotis annectans*)
- Kashmir Cave Bat (*Myotis longipes*)
- Daubenton's Bat, Water Bat (*Myotis daubentonii*)
- Horsfield's Mouse-eared Bat (*Myotis horsfieldii* [dryas] [peshwa])
- Van Hasselt's Mouse-eared Bat (*Myotis hasseltii*)
- Brown Long-eared Bat (*Plecotus auritus*)
- Grey Long-eared Bat (*Plecotus austriacus*)

- Eastern Barbastelle (*Barbastella leucomelas*)
- Hemprich's Long-eared Bat (*Otonycteris hemprichii*)
- Harlequin Bat (*Scotomanes ornatus*)
- Asiatic Lesser Yellow House Bat (*Scotophilus kuhlii*)
- Asiatic Greater Yellow House Bat (*Scotophilus heathii*)
- Serotine (*Eptesicus scrotenus*)
- Thick-eared Bat (*Eptesicus pachyotis*)
- Bobinskii's Serotine (*Eptesicus gobiensis*)
- Sombre Bat (*Eptesicus tatei*) ??? NE India. Status uncertain.
- Particoloured Bat (*Vespertilio murinus*) ??? Status uncertain. Old records from Kashmir may refer to *Myotis myotis*.
- Great Evening Bat (*Ia io*)
- Bamboo Bat, Club-footed Bat (*Tylonycteris pachypus*)
- Common Pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus pipistrellus*)
- Kelaart's Pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus ceylonicus*)
- Mount Popa Pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus paterculus*)
- Javan Pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus javanicus* [babu] [camortae] [peguensis])
- Indian Pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus coromandra*)
- Least Pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus tenuis* [mimus])
- Kuhl's Pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus kuhli*)
- Savi's Pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus savii*)
- Cadorna's Pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus cadornae*)
- Chocolate Bat (*Pipistrellus affinis*)
- Dormer's Bat (*Scotozous dormeri*)
- Yellow Desert Bat (*Scotoecus pallidus*)
- Common Noctule (*Nyctalus noctula*)
- Leisler's Bat, Lesser Noctule (*Nyctalus leisleri*)
- Himalayan Noctule (*Nyctalus montanus*)
- Tickell's Bat (*Hesperoptenus tickelli*)
- Schreiber's Long-fingered Bat, Common Bent-wing Bat (*Miniopterus schreibersi*)
- Nicobar Long-fingered Bat (*Miniopterus pusillus*)
- Greater Tube-nosed Bat (*Murina leucogaster*)
- Little Tube-nosed Bat (*Murina aurata*)
- Scully's Tube-nosed Bat (*Murina tubinaris*)
- Hutton's Tube-nosed Bat (*Murina huttoni*)
- Round-eared Tube-nosed Bat (*Murina cyclotis*)
- Peters' Tube-nosed Bat (*Murina grisea*)
- Hairy-winged Bat (*Harpiocephalus harpia*)
- Painted Bat (*Kerivoula picta*)
- Papillose Bat (*Kerivoula papillosa*)
- Hardwicke's Forest Bat (*Kerivoula hardwickii*)
- European Free-tailed Bat (*Tadarida teniotis*)
- Egyptian Free-tailed Bat (*Tadarida aegyptiaca*)
- Wrinkle-lipped Free-tailed Bat (*Tadarida plicata*)
- Wroughton's Free-tailed Bat (*Otomops wroughtoni*)
- Slender Loris (*Loris tardigradus*)
- Slow Loris (*Nycticebus coucang*)
- Lion-tailed Macaque (*Macaca silenus*)
- Pigtail Macaque (*Macaca nemestrina*) - cf. Prater
- Bonnet Macaque (*Macaca radiata*)
- Assamese Macaque (*Macaca assamensis*)
- Rhesus Macaque (*Macaca mulatta*)
- Crab-eating Macaque (*Macaca fascicularis*)
- Stump-tailed Macaque, Bear macaque (*Macaca arctoides* [speciosa])
- Hanuman Langur, Common or Grey Langur (*Semnopithecus* [Presbytis] entellus)
- Nilgiri Langur, Hooded Leaf Monkey (*Semnopithecus* [Presbytis] johnii)
- Silvered Langur, Silvered Leaf Monkey (*Semnopithecus* [Presbytis] cristatus)
- Phayre's Leaf Monkey (*Semnopithecus* [Presbytis] phayrei)
- Capped Langur, Capped Leaf Monkey (*Semnopithecus* [Presbytis] pileatus)
- Golden Langur, Golden Leaf Monkey (*Semnopithecus* [Presbytis] geei)
- Hoolock Gibbon (*Hylobates hoolock*)
- Man (*Homo sapiens*)

- Wolf (*Canis lupus*)
- Golden Jackal (*Canis aureus*)
- Domestic Dog (*Canis familiaris*)
- Red Fox (*Vulpes vulpes*)
- Bengal Fox, Indian Fox (*Vulpes bengalensis*)
- Blanford's Fox (*Vulpes cana*)
- Tibetan Fox (*Vulpes ferrilata*) ??? - included in *V. vulpes*?
- Dhole, Red Dog (*Cuon alpinus*)
- Asiatic Black Bear, Himalayan Black Bear (*Ursus [Selenarctos] thibetanus*)
- Sun Bear (*Ursus [Helarctos] malayanus*)
- Brown Bear (*Ursus arctos*)
- Sloth Bear (*Ursus [Melursus] ursinus*)
- Lesser Panda, Red Panda (*Ailurus fulgens*)
- Mountain Weasel, Pale Weasel (*Mustela altaica*)
- Stoat, Ermine (*Mustela erminea*)
- Yellow-bellied Weasel (*Mustela kathiah*)
- Siberian Weasel, Himalayan Weasel (*Mustela sibirica*)
- Black-striped Weasel (*Mustela strigidorsa*)
- Beech Marten (*Martes foina*)
- Yellow-throated Marten (*Martes flavigula*) includes Nilgiri Marten (*M.f. gwatkinsi*)
- Ratel, Honey Badger (*Mellivora capensis*)
- Hog-badger (*Arctonyx collaris*)
- Large-toothed Ferret-badger, Burmese Ferret-badger (*Melogale personata*)
- Small-toothed Ferret-badger, Chinese Ferret-badger (*Melogale moschata*)
- Eurasian Otter, Common Otter (*Lutra lutra*)
- Smooth-coated Otter, Smooth Indian Otter (*Lutrogale [Lutra] perspicillata*)
- Oriental Small-clawed Otter, Clawless Otter (*Aonyx cinerea*)
- Large Indian Civet (*Viverra zibetha*)
- Malabar Civet (*Viverra civettina [megaspila]*)
- Small Indian Civet (*Viverricula indica*)
- Spotted Linsang (*Prionodon pardicolor*)
- Common Palm Civet, Toddy Cat (*Paradoxurus hermaphroditus*)
- Jerdon's Palm Civet (*Paradoxurus jerdoni*)
- Masked Palm Civet, Himalayan Palm Civet (*Paguma larvata*)
- Binturong, Bear Cat (*Arctictis binturong*)
- Small-toothed Palm Civet, Three-striped Palm Civet (*Arctogalidia trivirgata*)
- Small Asian Mongoose, Small Indian Mongoose (*Herpestes javanicus [auropunctatus] [palustris]*)
- Indian Grey Mongoose, Common Indian Mongoose (*Herpestes edwardsii*)
- Ruddy Mongoose (*Herpestes smithii*)
- Indian Brown Mongoose (*Herpestes fuscus*)
- Stripe-necked Mongoose (*Herpestes vitticollis*)
- Crab-eating Mongoose (*Herpestes urva*)
- Striped Hyaena (*Hyaena hyaena*)
- Wild Cat (*Felis silvestris [libyca]*)
- Domestic Cat (*Felis catus*)
- Jungle Cat (*Felis chaus*)
- Pallas's Cat (*Felis manul*)
- Caracal (*Felis caracal*)
- Leopard Cat (*Prionailurus [Felis] bengalensis*)
- Fishing Cat (*Prionailurus [Felis] viverrinus*)
- Rusty-spotted Cat (*Prionailurus [Felis] rubiginosus*)
- Golden Cat (*Catopuma [Felis] temminckii*)
- Marbled Cat (*Pardofelis [Felis] marmorata*)
- Clouded Leopard (*Pardofelis [Neofelis] nebulosa*)
- Eurasian Lynx (*Lynx lynx*)
- Leopard, Panther (*Panthera pardus*)
- Tiger (*Panthera tigris*)
- Lion (*Panthera leo*)
- Snow Leopard, Ounce (*Panthera uncia*)
- † Cheetah (*Acinonyx jubatus*)
- Ganges-Indus Dolphin, Susu (*Platanista gangetica*)
- Rough-toothed Dolphin (*Steno bredanensis*)

- Indopacific Humpback Dolphin (*Sousa chinensis*) [Plumbeous Dolphin (*Sotalia plumbea*)]
- Striped Dolphin (*Stenella coeruleoalba*)
- Pantropical Spotted Dolphin, Bridled Dolphin (*Stenella attenuata*)
- Spinner Dolphin (*Stenella longirostris*)
- Common Dolphin (*Delphinus delphis*)
- Tropical Dolphin (*Delphinus tropicalis*)
- Bottle-nosed Dolphin (*Tursiops truncatus*)
- Fraser's Dolphin (*Lagenodelphis hosei*)
- Melon-headed Dolphin, Indian Broad-beaked Dolphin (*Peponocephala*[*Lagenorhynchus*] *electra*)
- Irrawaddy Dolphin (*Orcaella brevirostris*)
- False Killer Whale (*Pseudorca crassidens*)
- Killer Whale (*Orcinus orca*)
- Risso's Dolphin, Grey Dolphin (*Grampus griseus*)
- Short-finned Pilot Whale (*Globicephala macrorhynchus*)
- Pygmy Killer Whale, Slender Blackfish (*Feresa attenuata*)
- Finless Porpoise, Little Indian Porpoise (*Neophocaena phocaenoides*)
- Sperm Whale (*Physeter macrocephalus* [catodon])
- Pygmy Sperm Whale (*Kogia breviceps*)
- Dwarf Sperm Whale (*Kogia simus*)
- Ginkgo-toothed Beaked Whale (*Mesoplodon ginkgodens*)
- Blainville's Beaked Whale (*Mesoplodon densirostris*)
- Cuvier's Beaked Whale, Goosebeak Whale (*Ziphius cavirostris*)
- Minke Whale, Lesser Rorqual (*Balaenoptera acutirostrata*)
- Bryde's Whale (*Balaenoptera edeni*)
- Sei Whale (*Balaenoptera borealis*)
- Fin Whale, Common Rorqual (*Balaenoptera physalus*)
- Blue Whale (*Balaenoptera musculus*)
- Humpback Whale (*Megaptera novaeangliae*)
- Black Right Whale (*Balaena glacialis*)
- Dugong, Sea Cow (*Dugong dugon*)
- Indian Elephant (*Elephas maximus*)
- Indian Rhinoceros, Greater One-horned Rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros unicornis*)
- † Javan Rhinoceros, Lesser One-horned Rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros sondaicus*)
- † Sumatran Rhinoceros, Asian Two-horned Rhinoceros (*Dicerorhinus sumatrensis*)
- Kiang (*Equus kiang*)
- Asiatic Wild Ass, Khur, Onager (*Equus hemionus* [onager])
- Domestic Donkey, Domestic Ass (*Equus asinus*)
- Domestic Horse (*Equus caballus*)
- Wild Boar (*Sus scrofa*)
- Domestic Pig (*Sus domesticus*)
- Pygmy Hog (*Sus salvanius*)
- One-humped Camel, Dromedary (*Camelus dromedarius*)
- Indian Chevrotain, Mouse-deer (*Moschiola* [*Tragul*] *meminna*)
- Forest Musk Deer (*Moschus chrysogaster* [*moschiferus*][*sifanicus*])
- Swamp Deer, Barasingha (*Cervus duvaucelli*)
- Red Deer (*Cervus elaphus*) includes Hangul, Kashmir Stag (*C.e.hanglu*)
- Thamin, Brow-antlered Deer (*Cervus eldii*)
- Sambar (*Cervus unicolor*)
- Chital, Spotted Deer (*Axis axis*)
- Hog Deer (*Axis porcinus*)
- Indian Muntjac, Barking Deer (*Muntiacus muntjak*)
- Domestic Cattle (*Bos taurus*)
- Gaur, Indian Bison (*Bos gaurus*)
- Gayal, Mithan {domestic} (*Bos frontalis*)
- Yak (*Bos mutus* [grunniens]) - Which is wild, which domestic???
- Domestic Water Buffalo (*Bubalus bubalis*)
- Water Buffalo {wild} (*Bubalus arnee*[*bubalis*])
- Nilgai, Blue Bull (*Boselaphus tragocamelus*)
- Four-horned Antelope, Chowsingha (*Tetracerus quadricornis*)
- Blackbuck, Indian Antelope (*Antilope cervicapra*)
- Chinkara, Indian Gazelle (*Gazella benettii* [gazella] [dorcasi])
- Tibetan Gazelle (*Procapra picticaudata*)

- Chiru, Tibetan Antelope (*Pantholops hodgsoni*)
- Takin (*Budorcas taxicolor*)
- Common Goral, Himalayan Goral (*Naemorhedus goral*)
- Red Goral (*Naemorhedus baileyi*)
- Mainland Serow, Southern Serow (*Naemorhedus [Capricornis] sumatraensis*)
- Himalayan Tahr (*Hemitragus jemlahicus*)
- Nilgiri Tahr (*Hemitragus hylocrius*)
- Wild Goat, Bezoar (*Capra aegagrus [hircus]*)
- Domestic Goat (*Capra hircus*)
- Markhor (*Capra falconeri*)
- Ibex (*Capra ibex*)
- Bharal, Blue Sheep (*Pseudois nayaur*)
- Domestic Sheep (*Ovis aries*)
- Argali (*Ovis ammon*)
- Urial, Shapu (*Ovis vignei*)
- Grizzled Giant Squirrel, Sri Lankan Giant Squirrel (*Ratufa macroura*)
- Indian Giant Squirrel, Malabar Giant Squirrel (*Ratufa indica*)
- Black Giant Squirrel, Malayan Giant Squirrel (*Ratufa bicolor*)
- Indian Palm Squirrel, Three-striped Palm Squirrel (*Funambulus palmarum*)
- Jungle Striped Squirrel (*Funambulus tristriatus*)
- Layard's Striped Squirrel (*Funambulus layardi*)
- Dusky Striped Squirrel (*Funambulus sublineatus*)
- Northern Palm Squirrel, Five-striped Palm Squirrel (*Funambulus pennantii*)
- Pallas's Squirrel (*Callosciurus erythraeus*)
- Hoary-bellied Himalayan Squirrel, Irrawaddy Squirrel (*Callosciurus pygerythrus*)
- Himalayan Striped Squirrel (*Tamiops [Callosciurus] maclellandi*)
- Orange-bellied Himalayan Squirrel (*Dremomys lokriah*)
- Pery's Long-nosed Squirrel (*Dremomys pernyi*)
- Red-cheeked Squirrel (*Dremomys rufigenis*)
- Long-tailed Marmot (*Marmota caudata*)
- Himalayan Marmot (*Marmota himalayana*)
- Hairy-footed Flying Squirrel (*Trogopterus [Belomys] pearsoni*)
- Red Giant Flying Squirrel, Common Giant Flying Squirrel (*Petaurista petaurista*)
- Giant Flying Squirrel sp. (*Petaurista philippensis*) - split from *P. petaurista*.
- Grey-headed Flying Squirrel, Spotted Giant Flying Squirrel (*Petaurista caniceps [elegans]*)
- Hodgson's Flying Squirrel (*Petaurista magnificus*)
- Gray's Giant Flying Squirrel (*Petaurista nobilis*)
- Woolly Flying Squirrel (*Eupetaurus cinereus*)
- Namdapha Flying Squirrel (*Biswamoyopterus biswasi*)
- Particoloured Flying Squirrel (*Hylopetes alboniger*)
- Small Kashmir Flying Squirrel (*Hylopetes fimbriatus*)
- Kashmir Flying Squirrel (*Hylopetes baberi*)
- Travancore Flying Squirrel (*Petinomys fuscicapillus*)
- House Mouse (*Mus musculus*)
- Little Indian Field Mouse (*Mus booduga*)
- Mouse sp. (*Mus dunnii*)
- Cook's Mouse (*Mus cookii*)
- Fawn-coloured Mouse (*Mus cervicolor*)
- Spiny Field Mouse, Indian Brown Spiny Mouse (*Mus platythrix*)
- Elliot's Brown Spiny Mouse (*Mus saxicola*)
- Mouse sp. (*Mus phillipsi*)
- Gairdner's Shrew-mouse, Sikkim Mouse (*Mus pahari*)
- Mouse sp. (*Mus famulus*)
- Palm Mouse, Indian Long-tailed Tree-mouse (*Vandeleuria oleracea*)
- Nilgiri Long-tailed Tree Mouse (*Vandeleuria nilagirica*)
- House Rat, Black Rat (*Rattus rattus [pulliventer?]*)
- Malaysian Wood Rat (*Rattus tiomanicus [burrus?] [burrulus?] [burrensens?]*)
- Rat sp. (*Rattus palmarum*)
- Brown Rat, Norway Rat (*Rattus norvegicus*)
- Himalayan Rat (*Rattus nitidus*)
- Rat sp. (*Rattus remotus [koratensis] [sikkimensis]*)
- Turkestan Rat (*Rattus turkestanicus [rattoides]*)

- Polynesian Rat (*Rattus exulans*)
- Rat sp. (*Rattus stoicus* [rogersi] [taciturnus])
- Rat sp. (*Rattus ranjiniae*)
- Soft-furred Field Rat, Metad (*Millardia meltada*)
- Soft-furred Rat sp. (*Millardia kondana*)
- Sand-coloured Rat (*Millardia gleadowi*)
- Cutch Rat (*Cremnomys cutchicus*)
- Rat sp. (*Cremnomys elvira*)
- White-tailed Wood Rat, Blanford's Rat (*Cremnomys blanfordi*)
- Indian Bush Rat (*Golunda ellioti*)
- Short-tailed Bandicoot-rat (*Nesokia indica*)
- Large Bandicoot-rat, Greater Bandicoot-rat (*Bandicota indica*)
- Lesser Bandicoot-rat, Indian Mole-rat (*Bandicota bengalensis*)
- Pencil-tailed Tree Mouse (*Chiropodomys gliroides* [pusillus])
- Harvest Mouse (*Micromys minutus*)
- Wood Mouse (*Apodemus sylvaticus*)
- Wood Mouse sp. (*Apodemus draco*)
- Wood Mouse sp. (*Apodemus orestes*)
- Hume's Rat, Manipur Bush Rat (*Hadromys humei*)
- Millard's Rat, Large-toothed Rat (*Dacnomys millardi*)
- Crump's Mouse, Manipur Mouse (*Diomys crumpi*)
- White-bellied Rat (*Niviventer niviventer*)
- Rat sp. (*Niviventer tenaster*)
- Chestnut Rat (*Niviventer fulvescens*)
- Rat sp. (*Niviventer brahma*)
- Smoke-bellied Rat (*Niviventer eha*)
- Rat sp. (*Niviventer langbianus*)
- Edwards' Rat (*Leopoldamys edwardsi*)
- Manipur Rat (*Berylmys manipulus*)
- Kenneth's White-toothed Rat (*Berylmys mackenici*)
- Bower's Rat (*Berylmys bowersi*)
- Grey Hamster (*Cricetulus migratorius*)
- Ladakh Hamster (*Cricetulus alticola*)
- Baluchistan Gerbil (*Gerbillus nanus*)
- Indian Hairy-footed Gerbil (*Gerbillus gleadowi*)
- Indian Gerbil, Antelope Rat (*Tatera indica*)
- Indian Desert Gerbil, Indian Desert Jird (*Meriones hurrianae*)
- Malabar Spiny Mouse (*Platacanthomys lasiurus*)
- Royle's Mountain Vole (*Alticola roylei*)
- Stoliczka's Mountain Vole (*Alticola stoliczkanus*)
- Vole sp. (*Hyperacrius wynnei*)
- True's Vole (*Hyperacrius fertilis*)
- Blyth's Vole (*Pitymys leucurus*)
- Sikkim Vole (*Pitymys sikkimensis*)
- Vole sp. (*Eothenomys melanogaster*)
- Hoary Bamboo Rat (*Rhizomys pruinosus*)
- Lesser Bamboo Rat, Bay Bamboo Rat (*Cannomys badius*)
- Chinese Birch Mouse (*Sicista concolor*)
- Indian Porcupine (*Hystrix indica*)
- Malayan Porcupine (*Hystrix brachyura* [hodgsoni])
- Asiatic Brush-tailed Porcupine (*Atherurus macrourus*)
- Indian Hare, Black-naped Hare (*Lepus nigricollis*)
- Cape Hare (*Lepus capensis*)
- Woolly Hare (*Lepus oiostolus*)
- Hispid Hare (*Caprolagus hispidus*)
- Black-lipped Pika (*Ochotona curzoniae*)
- Ladakh Pika (*Ochotona ladacensis*)
- Royle's Pika, Himalayan Mouse-hare (*Ochotona roylei*)
- Moupin Pika (*Ochotona thibetana*)

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A CHECKLIST OF THE SUBCONTINENTAL ENDEMIC BIRDS THAT OCCUR IN INDIA

- †T 106. Pink-headed Duck (*Rhodonessa caryophyllacea*)
- (NE 141. Nicobar Sparrowhawk or Car Nicobar Shikra (*Accipiter [badius] butleri*)
- (NE 201. Nicobar Serpent Eagle (*Spilornis minimus [klossi]*)
- (AE 202a. Andaman Dark Serpent Eagle (*Spilornis elgini*)
- (NE 225. Nicobar Scrubfowl or Megapode (*Megapodius [freycinet] nicobariensis*)
- E 241. Painted Francolin or Painted Partridge (*Francolinus pictus*)
- TE 247. Swamp Francolin or Swamp Partridge or Kyah (*Francolinus gularis*)
- E 255. Jungle Bush Quail (*Perdicula asiatica*)
- I 260. Rock Bush Quail (*Perdicula argoondah*)
- I 262. Painted Bush Quail (*Perdicula erythrorhyncha*)
- TE 265. Manipur Bush Quail (*Perdicula manipurensis*)
- E 275. Red Spurfowl (*Galloperdix spadicea*)
- I 278. Painted Spurfowl (*Galloperdix lunulata*)
- †T 280. Mountain or Himalayan Quail (*Ophrysia superciliosa*)
- TE 285. Western Tragopan (*Tragopan melanocephalus*)
- (I 301. Grey or Sonnerat's Junglefowl (*Gallus sonneratii*)
- E 311. Common or Indian Peafowl (*Pavo cristatus*)
- (AE 333. Andaman (Banded) Crake (*Rallina canningi*)
- TE 354. Great Indian Bustard (*Ardeotis [Choriotis] nigriceps*)
- TE 357. Lesser Florican or Likh (*Eupodotis [Sypheotides] indica*)
- E 440. Indian Courser (*Cursorius coromandelicus*)
- (I 441. Jerdon's or Double-banded Courser (*Cursorius bitorquatus*)
- E 370. Yellow-wattled Lapwing (*Vanellus malabaricus*)
- (I 521. Nilgiri Woodpigeon (*Columba elphinstonii*)
- (NE 525. Andaman Woodpigeon (*Columba palumboides*)
- (NE 527. Andaman Cuckoo Dove (*Macropygia rufipennis*)
- (NE 553. Nicobar Parakeet (*Psittacula caniceps*)
- †T 561. Intermediate or Rothschild's Parakeet (*Psittacula intermedia*)
- I 564. Malabar or Blue-winged Parakeet (*Psittacula columboides*)
- E 584. Grey-bellied or Indian Plaintive Cuckoo (*Cacomantis passerinus*)
- E 595. Blue-faced or Small Green-billed Malkoha (*Phaenicophaeus [Rhodopytes] viridirostris*)
- E 598. Sirkeer Malkoha or Cuckoo (*Phaenicophaeus [Taccocua] leschenaultii*)
- ?TE 599. Red-faced Malkoha (*Phaenicophaeus pyrrhocephalus*)ⁱ ???
- (AE 603. Brown Coucal or Andaman Crow-Pheasant (*Centropus [sinensis] andamanensis*)
- (AE 613. Andaman Scops Owl (*Otus balli*)
- E? 627. Rock Eagle Owl (*Bubo bengalensis*)
- (NE 646. Andaman Hawk Owl (*Ninox affinis*)
- †T 653. Forest Spotted Owlet (*Athene blewitti*)
- I 657. Mottled Wood Owl (*Strix ocellata*)
- E 666. Ceylon Frogmouth (*Batrachostomus monileger*)
- E 676. Jerdon's Nightjar (*Caprimulgus atripennis*)
- E 685. Indian (Edible-nest) Swiftlet (*Collocalia unicolor*)
- E 710. Malabar Trogon (*Harpactes fasciatus*)
- E 767. Indian or Common Grey Hornbill (*Ocyroceros [Tockus] birostris*)
- (I 768. Malabar Grey Hornbill (*Ocyroceros [Tockus] griseus*)
- (AE 773. Narcondam Hornbill (*Aceros narcondami*) [*Rhyticeros plicatus*]
- (E 775. Malabar Pied Hornbill (*Anthracoceros coronatus*)
- E 782. Brown-headed or Large Green Barbet (*Megalaima zeylanica*)
- I 785. White-cheeked or Small Green Barbet (*Megalaima viridis*)
- E 791. Crimson-fronted or Crimson-throated Barbet (*Megalaima rubricapilla*) split malabarica???
- (AE 831. Andaman Woodpecker (*Dryocopus [javensis] hodgei*)ⁱⁱ
- E 858. White-naped or Black-backed Woodpecker (*Chrysocolaptes festivus*)
- E 867. Indian Pitta (*Pitta brachyura*)
- E 877. Indian (or Red-winged) Bushlark (*Mirafra erythroptera*)
- E 878. Ashy-crowned Sparrow- or Finch-Lark (*Eremopterix grisea*)
- E 882. Rufous-tailed (Finch-) Lark (*Amomanes phoenicurus*)
- I 901. Malabar (Crested) Lark (*Galerida malabarica*)
- I 902. Tawny or Sykes's Crested Lark (*Galerida deva*)
- I 919. Hill (or House) Swallow (*Hirundo [tahitica] domicola*)ⁱⁱⁱ lump???
- E 967. White-bellied Drongo (*Dicrurus caeruleus*)
- (AE 975. Andaman Drongo (*Dicrurus andamanensis*)

- NE 991. White-headed Starling or Myna (*Sturnus erythropygius*)
 (AE 1040. Andaman Treepie (*Dendrocitta bayleyi*)
 E 1102. White-tailed or Marshall's Iora (*Aegithina nigrolutca*)
 tl 1114. Grey-headed Bulbul (*Pycnonotus priocephalus*)
 tl 1135. Yellow-throated Bulbul (*Pycnonotus xantholaemus*)
 E 1138. White-browed Bulbul (*Pycnonotus luteolus*)
 NE 1142. Nicobar Bulbul (*Hypsipetes nicobariensis*)
 E 1144. Yellow-browed Bulbul (*Iole [Hypsipetes] indica*)
 TE 1160. Marsh (Spotted) Babbler (*Pellorneum palustre*)
 E 1173. Indian or Travancore (or Slaty-headed) Scimitar Babbler (*Pomatorhinus horsfieldii*)
 TE 1200. Rufous-throated or Tailed Wren-Babbler (*Spelaeornis caudatus*)
 TI 1201. Rusty-throated or Mishmi Wren-Babbler (*Spelaeornis badeigularis*)
 TE 1202. Tawny-breasted or Long-tailed Wren-Babbler (*Spelaeornis longicaudatus*)
 E 1211. Black-throated or Red-billed Babbler (*Stachyris pyrrhops*)
 TI 1218. Snowy-throated or Austen's Spotted Babbler (*Stachyris oglei*)
 E 1222. Tawny-bellied or Rufous-bellied Babbler (*Dumetia hyperythra*)
 E 1224. Dark-fronted or Black-headed Babbler (*Rhopocichla atriceps*)
 tE 1257. Slender-billed Babbler (*Turdoides longirostris*)
 I 1258. Large Grey Babbler (*Turdoides malcolmi*)
 I 1259. Rufous Babbler (*Turdoides subrufus*)
 E 1265. Jungle Babbler (*Turdoides striatus*)
 E 1267. Yellow-billed or White-headed Babbler (*Turdoides affinis*)
 E 1290. Variegated Laughingthrush (*Garrulax variegatus*)
 tl 1307. Rufous-breasted or Nilgiri Laughingthrush (*Garrulax cachinnans*)
 tl 1309. Grey-breasted (or White-breasted) Laughingthrush (*Garrulax jerdoni*)
 TE 1413. Kashmir Red-breasted Flycatcher (*Ficedula [Muscicapa] subrubra*)
 tl 1427. Black-and-Orange Flycatcher (*Ficedula [Muscicapa] nigrorufa*)
 tl 1435. White-bellied Blue Flycatcher (*Cyornis [Muscicapa] pallipes*)
 tl 1446. Nilgiri Flycatcher (*Eumyias [Muscicapa] albicaudata*)
 E 1506. Rufous-fronted Prinia or Wren-warbler (*Prinia buchanani*)
 tE 1507. Grey-crowned Prinia or Hodgson's Wren-warbler (*Prinia cinereocapilla*)
 E 1517. Ashy Prinia or Wren-warbler (*Prinia socialis*)
 E 1521. Jungle Prinia or Wren-warbler (*Prinia sylvatica*)
 tl 1546. Broad-tailed Grassbird or Grass Warbler (*Schoenicola platyura*)
 TE 1547. Bristled Grassbird or Grass Warbler (*Chaetornis striatus*)
 tE 1578. Tytler's (Leaf) or Slender-billed Warbler (*Phylloscopus tytleri*)
 tl 1637. White-bellied (or Rufous-bellied) Shortwing (*Brachypteryx major*)
 E 1692. Brown Rock or Indian Chat (*Cercomela fusca*)
 t?E 1693. Stoliczka's or White-browed Bushchat (*Saxicola macrorhyncha*)
 tE? 1731. Pied (Ground) Thrush (*Zoothera wardii*)
 E 1748. Tickell's Thrush (*Turdus unicolor*)
 TI 1798. White-naped or White-winged Black Tit (*Parus nuchalis*)
 tE 1822. White-throated Tit (*Aegithalos niveogularis*)
 I 1870. Nilgiri Pipit (*Anthus nilghiriensis*)
 E 1891. Large Pied or White-browed Wagtail (*Motacilla maderaspatensis*)
 I 1909. Small or Crimson-backed Sunbird (*Nectarinia minima*)
 E 1911. Loten's or Long-billed Sunbird (*Nectarinia lotenia*)
 TE 1960. Yellow Weaver or Finn's Baya (*Ploceus megarhynchus*)
 E 1961. Black-breasted or Black-throated Weaver (*Ploceus benghalensis*)
 TI 1965. Green Avadavat or Munia (*Amadava [Estrilda] formosa*)
 E 1966. White-throated or Common Silverbill or Munia (*Lonchura malabarica*)
 E 1971. Black-throated or Rufous-bellied Munia (*Lonchura kelaarti*)
 E 1997. Spectacled or Red-browed Finch (*Callacanthus burtoni*)
 tE 2040. Orange Bullfinch (*Pyrrhula aurantiaca*)

1036. Whitebellied Tree Pie
Deadrietta leucogaster

1728. Malabar Whistling Thrush
Myiophonus horsfieldii

???maderaspatensis

115 species

AE	endemic to the Andaman Islands	m	passage migrant
a	altitudinal migrant (in the Himalaya)	NE	endemic to the Nicobar Islands
b	breeds	r	resident
c	not seen in India since last century	s	summer visitor
E	endemic to the Indian Subcontinent	t	near-threatened
f	feral	T	Threatened
I	endemic to India	v	vagrant or rare visitor
l	localised distribution	w	winter visitor
?	status and/or abundance uncertain	†	probably extinct

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Dear Aasheesh,

Many thanks for your letter of 17 May and the enclosed map which arrived this morning.

Strangely enough I had just been watching a video magazine which reviewed the programme *Bird Recorder*, as I was interested in possibly purchasing a copy myself. The programme certainly seemed very professional and easy to use, but I don't know how flexible it is regarding the World Bird list, whether it is possible to edit it to keep up with developments and adapt it to suit one's preferences and which systematics and nomenclature they use. I was quite well impressed with what I did see of it and its use of Windows. However, as I am not currently working I don't think I will stretch my finances by investing in a copy, especially since I have just finished adapting my Access 2.0 programme for recording my observations.

Some time ago Andrew mention to me in a letter that he had just acquired a bird recording programme and was struggling to become familiar with it. I don't know which programme it was but it might be worth writing to him to ask about his experiences.

I, myself, did some time ago take advantage of a special offer (29 pounds sterling) on a programme called *WildWatch*. This seemed very primitive and unflexible and didn't in the event suit my purposes very well, so I have de-installed it from the computer. You could only enter exact numbers for number of birds seen, for example, and not 'a few' or 'many' or specify whether male or female etc. I'd send you a copy to try out but the programmers were a bit too safety conscious about making the programme installable once only, so that people wouldn't give copies to their friends. I certainly wouldn't recommend it. I don't know what the Santa Barbara Software is like having only seen their adverts.

How is your work on the *JBNHS* index coming along? I'm certainly looking forward to seeing that when it comes out. It will definitely be a useful tool for anyone involved in the ornithology of the Subcontinent.

That's about all for the moment.

All the best

Krys

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Dear Krys,

Thanks for yours of 13th instant.

Inclusion of Shamirpet area, and mini-notes on ICRISAT and Sanjivayya Park (northern end of Hussain Sagar) is indeed a great idea.

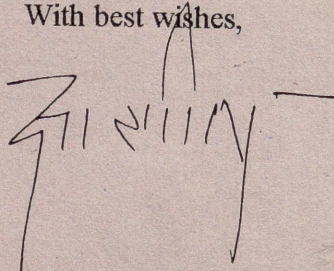
Buses to Shamirpet are most probably available from the Secunderabad Station Bus Stand. General enquiries by a visitor will reveal the actual route number and other details quite easily, as it is a tourist spot close to the city.

Other notable birds of the Shamirpet area are Greynecked Bunting, Peregrine Falcon and Bluethroat. All winter migrants. The first however has not been sighted by me for at least 6 years now.

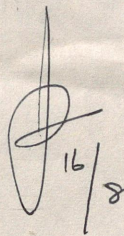
If you think it in order, you could add under 'Other sites', something like "for permission to birdwatch in ICRISAT and help with other local birding areas, assistance may be expected from the BSAP."

Perhaps you could also include a list of the local birding societies as an appendix to your book.

With best wishes,



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Dear Aasheesh

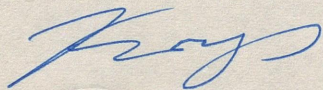
Many , many thanks for your letter of July 30 and for your suggestions regarding the Shamirpet text which I have now incorporated.

I was planning a section on "Useful Addresses" including those of some local birdwatching societies and I had already listed the BSAP there.

Have you had time to have a look at any of the stuff I sent you on disk? Any comments on the Rollapadu section etc would be welcome.

That's about all for the moment.

All the best



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Dear Aasheesh,

Just a short note to let you know that I will soon be moving back to England to the above address and all future correspondence should be addressed there.

I received Vol. XV. No.4 of Sanctuary last week for which I thank you. I think it only just made it as the envelope was worn open at both ends and had very nearly parted company with the contents. This may be what happened to No. 3 as that has not, at least so far, turned up. I assume that there was no letter enclosed with the magazine. I'm afraid that Indian envelopes are often not up to the long journey by sea and it might be a good idea if you could fortify the ends with sticky tape perhaps.

You should by now have received some copies of Birding World. What do you think of the publication? How is your JBNHS Index coming along? I would certainly like a copy as soon as possible. I think I would almost even prefer it on disk. I could probably send you some sterling cash as payment, or else some book of your choice in exchange.

I need to keep this short as I have much to do with preparing for the move.

Kindest regards to yourself and Smriti.

Best wishes.

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11 November, 1995

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Dear Krys,

Got yours of 1/11 and sorry to hear of missed issue of Sanctuary. Will send rest by air-mail.

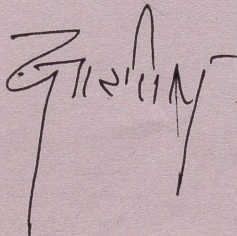
Have received 2 issues of Birding World and am very happy with their content. Their general articles and those on identification are the most useful and informative. The rest makes me envious about the way birding info is collected and disseminated in such a wonderful and organised way.

The Index is in the very last stage before going to press and I should have it out before the month ends. I have not yet decided to give the Index on disc to anybody or body for obvious reasons. But I will be sending you a copy of the book no sooner it is out and wish you to advice me on how to market it in England. I have been thinking of a price of Rs. 200/- for Indians and Rs. 500/- for foreigners. Is is ok? more? less? The print run is of 300 copies only. How do I go about it abroad?

There is one more thing I have been wanting to ask you. I would like to begin a series of papers in the MAYURA on the identification of different species within groups of birds eg., larks, pipits, etc. Now I know very well the shortcomings of such a publication, etc., but even then, I would like to give it a try. If I am able to persuade somebody to write such papers here, would there be an 'expert' you know who would referee them?

How is your book coming along? Hope things are ok at your end.

Best wishes and regards,



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25 December, 1995

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Dear Krys,

Haven't heard ought from you since mine of 11-11-95. Hope you have settled in comfortably and all's well!

The Index is out at last and am I relieved. I have limited it to entries from the *Journal* of the BNHS and *Stray Feathers*. This is upto 1993 and I have called Part I. Part II will comprise of entries from all other birding journals, newsletters, etc., upto the same year, after which an update is being planned for each year. Please tease out the gremlins and send them to me, for it will improve the Index considerably. I have had a print run of 300 copies and am going to price them at \$ 15.00 or £ 10.00 or for purchase in India Rs. 150.00. Could you advice with sales in England? How could I put it on the sales of OBC or the NHBS? Also, I have been offered conversion of this database into a CD-rom. What do you feel I should do?

For Part II I need to get hold of all ornithological papers published by *Ibis* and other foreign journals like *Auk*, *Sea Swallow* or *Condor*, plus any more that have published papers on Indian birds. Is any of this available on e-mail, or the Net? Have you chanced upon the Smithsonian Index on Indian ornithology, yet? How is it and what is missing in mine that should have been there?

How is your book coming along, and when is it due? I cannot tell you how much I enjoy reading *Birding World*. It would be a dream coming true if we could have such quality journals in India. We seem to be quite far off from it yet.

When are you in India next? Could you let me know a bit in advance so I could unashamedly request you for some books? By the way, could you send me, or haul over a copy with you when you come, this 'trip report' from the OBC?

"Report by Brian Gee covering South India, Sri Lanka and the Andaman Islands. pps. 70
price £ 10.00 plus postage and packing."

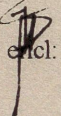
I also need this paper: *Dutch Birding* 17: 41-54 (Forsman 1995) - referred to in *Birding World* 8(11): 420.

I do not know how to put this subtly, so I will just state it. Please bill me for any charges (which I will try and reimburse to you there), or we can settle the account when you visit India next.

A couple of days ago I received *Bird Recorder for Windows 2*, the note keeping software from England and am currently trying it out. It seems to be quite good. Have you used it yet?

Wishing you a very happy Christmas and a bird-filled, prosperous and eventful New Year!

Sincerely,


encl: 1 copy of Index.