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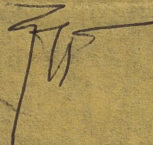
Dear Abdulali Sahab, Greetings!

I am enclosing a xeroxed copy of a 'paper' I had written on the birds of the Andamans - observed when ~~we~~ I had gone on my honeymoon to Port Blair. Please will you go through it and let me know what you think of it?

We are now typing the final list of the Checklist of A.P. and it is our aim to have it ready by the end of March '87. Will write to you once it is ready.

Thanking You

Yours sincerely

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Encl: As mentioned above.

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26th February, 1987

My dear Aasheesh,

Thank you for sending me a copy of your note on the Andaman birds. I think I have read this before either in Black Buck of which I get an occasional copy or you had sent me a draft. Perhaps a note in JBNHS regarding the crow may be of interest, ~~but~~ I do not think there is anything ^{else} of particular interest, but I have not compared every other item with my original list. If you think there is any other item of this nature, please draw my attention to it and I will tell you whether it is worthwhile including with your crow note.

^{work} I have an impression that all shooting is closed in Andhra Pradesh, but if not, it may be worthwhile going out looking for Painted Partridge when beating through scrub and thin forest may produce a Jerdon's Courser which of course need not be shot, but of which a sight record can now be accepted.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Aasheesh Pittie,
14-7-370, Begum Bazar,
Hyderabad-500 012
A. P.

21st July 1987

Mr Humayun Abdulali
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Dear Abdulali Sahab,

I am enclosing a very short 'index' of two papers from the Journal. These are the 1st and 3rd papers in Volume 82, No. 1 of the Journal.

The list is self-explanatory. I just want to say that i have indexed the papers by species, followed by the genus and the page number.

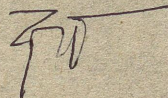
This is just a preliminary experiment. I actually need more time to study the programme which will help me index data.

Please go through the list and let me have your comments. Meanwhile i will see how i can improve upon it.

Greetings to Mrs. Abdulali!

Thanking You

Yours sincerely



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2 (5)
LITTLE GREBE
(*Podiceps ruficollis capensis*)
T: Chinna munugu kodi. / H: Pandubi.
1 3 R C

TROPIC-BIRDS : PHAETHONTIDAE
3 (19)
LONGTAILED TROPIC BIRD
(*Phaethon lepturus*)
T: -. / H: -.
1

PELECANUS : PELECANIDAE
4 (21)
SPOTTEDBILLED PELICAN
(*Pelecanus philippensis philippensis*)
T: Gooda Konga. / H: Jahaz*.
1 2

CORMORANTS, DARTERS : PHALACROCORACIDAE
5 (26)
LARGE CORMORANT
(*Phalacrocorax carbo sinensis*)
T: Pedda neeti kaki. / H: Pan kawwa*.
1 3 R U

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6 (27)
INDIAN SHAG
(*Phalacrocorax fuscicollis*)
T: Neeti kaki. / H: Pan kawwa.
1 3 R X

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7 (28)
LITTLE CORMORANT
(*Phalacrocorax niger*)
T: Chinna neeti kaki. / H: Pan kawwa.
1 3 R C

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8 (29)
DARTER
(*Anhinga rufa melanogaster*)
T: Pamubatu. / H: Banbe*.
1 3 R X

HERONS, EGRETS, BITTERNS : ARDEIDAE
9 (36)
GREY HERON
(*Ardea cinerea rectirostris*)
T: Narayana pakshi. / H: Anjan*.
1 3 R C

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19th October, 1987

Dear Aasheesh,

Thank you for your letter of the 12th inst. and the identification of the insects flying in all directions. Yes, there is no doubt they were dragonflies of some kind and I wonder if somebody else has collected and listed the species there.

I am just back from my three-day trip to the Silent Valley area and the amount of real ecological work of the various species has to be seen to be realised, all relating to material so different from each other so that it is impossible to imagine any mix up e.g. elephants and bison both walk along the same hillside every morning. Do they eat the same stuff or something else etc. etc.

But all this is for younger people. — I at least am out-

git...
all the best.

Yours sincerely,

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I saw ^{in the forest} list of birds seen at Ooty upto 4th July.
Lanius seabe and Diernis longicaudatus must
be in error unless ^{the species} is caniceps, moving upwards
and D. longicaudatus refers to an undescribed race nesting
in the Thozaya-pattanam Hills. Can you get specimens of
the last, or can you get specimens. Still there in May
June/July?? Both pass through Bombay, but never so
early. It

P.T.O. →

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Lanius schach: Must be caniceps as my field notes state: "birds seen often. 2 in the vicinity of B.W.C. Club, falling in the early morning from the tops of trees & old wires. Almost no rufous on back. Grey. Hyd. record earliest at 13/X/85."

Picus longicaudatus: No mention of this bird in my list.

Dear Aasheesh,
Thank you for your letter of the 18th inst. and the identification of the bird. Yes, there is no doubt that these are *Picus longicaudatus* and I wonder if somebody else has collected and fixed this species there.
I do not just look for my birds but also for the other species and the amount of real ecological work of the various species has to be realized. All relating to material collected and fixed should be placed in a box and sent to me. It is impossible to examine any bird in my hands. I am sorry to hear that you are not able to place both wings and tail in a box. If they both wings and tail are in a box, they will be safe and I will be able to examine them. I will be glad to place both wings and tail in a box for you. I will be glad to place both wings and tail in a box for you. I will be glad to place both wings and tail in a box for you.

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25th October 1987

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Dear Abdulali Sahab,

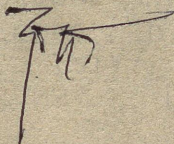
Thank you for yours of 19th instant. I have noted your comment on my note in the BLACKBUCK, on birding in the Nilgiris. You make mention of 2 species. One is Lanius schach and the other Dicrurus longicaudatus. I have not made any reference to the latter bird and cannot think how you brought it up, unless it was with reference to our Checklist. Could you please confirm this? The shrike i saw was most probably "caniceps" as my field notes read,

"~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Birds seen often. Two in the ~~vic~~ vicinity of the Wellington Gym. Club. Calling in the early mornings from the tops of trees and overhead wires. Almost no rufous on back. Grey."

We see this bird in Hyderabad around mid October.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'H' followed by a horizontal line and a vertical line extending downwards.

GREBES : PODICIPEDIDAE

1 (3)

GREAT CRESTED GREBE

(Podiceps cristatus cristatus)

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LITTLE GREBE

(Podiceps ruficollis capensis)

T: Chinna munugu kodi. / H: Pandubi.

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HERONS, EGRETS, BITTERNS : ARDEIDAE

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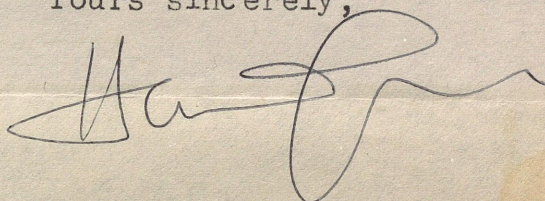
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2nd November, 1987

My dear Aasheesh,

I am sorry if my letter of the 19th was not clear enough - I meant the Grey Drongo which here is Dicrurus diaphanous longicaudatus.

Yours sincerely,



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15th November 1987

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Dear Abdulali Sahab, Greetings!

While in Bombay recently, i had requested you for some reprints/xerox copies of certain parts of the Catalogue. Listed below are the numbers i require.

REQUIRED: Parts 18, 19, 20, and 21.

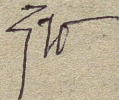
HAVE: Parts 22 to 31.

If there are any parts which have come out after the above, whose reprints you have received, i would like to have them too.

It would be best if you sent the parcel by VPP.
Greetings to Mrs Abdulali.

Thanking You

Yours sincerely

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ABOUT THE LIST

Of the 77 avian Families reported from the Indian Sub-continent (Ripley, 1982), representative species of 58 Families (75%) are found in Andhra Pradesh. This list covers 435 species (36%) of birds from approximately 1200 species (Ripley, 1982) reported from the Sub-continent.

Criterion for selecting the birds in the Checklist are as follows:-

1) All species reported in published literature on the birds of Andhra Pradesh - available to us (see bibliography) - have been included.

2) Personal records and those which have not been published but are fairly reliable sight records, have been scrutinized and included.

3) Latin nomenclature has been selected thus:-

a) Binomials:- Species which have found mention in literature but whose specimens have not been collected and, whose races are difficult to identify in the field have been given binomial names followed by "sub.sp.?" eg., "Gyps indicus sub.sp.?".