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July/Aug. issue of the Newsletter.

I would also like to suggest that we meet in Bangalore sometime in December this year to formalise these ideas.

Yours sincerely

Zafar Futehally

Dear Mr. Ashesh Pittie,

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> July 92

Ornithological Society of India

A Correction

Please note the correct date of the meeting is Thursday the 23<sup>rd</sup> July 92 at 6 P.M. at the Bangalore Club, Residency Road, Bangalore - 560025.

Thanking you,

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Yours sincerely,

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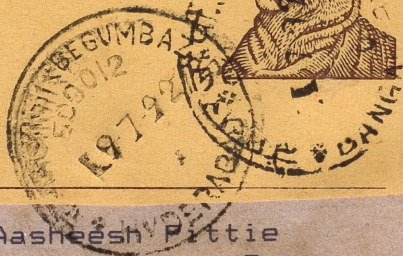
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## Ornithological Society of India

Kodaikanal  
Dated 27th June 1992,

Dear Mr Aasheesh Pittie

You may be aware of the proposal to establish the Ornithological Society of India, a decision about which was taken during the Symposium at Garhwal University in November last year.

The Objectives of the Society are : To provide a forum for people interested in every aspect of ornithology, basic and applied. To give an impetus to ornithological research in India. To establish a platform for exchange of ideas between ornithologists in India and abroad. To organise national and international symposia and training courses.

An Ad-hoc Executive Committee has been constituted for running the Society till general elections in 1993. Dr Asha Chandola Saklani is acting as Secretary General.

I would like to invite you to a meeting at the **Bangalore Club, Residency Road, Bangalore 560 025, at 6 PM on Friday the 23rd July**, to discuss the future of the OSI, and the manner in which it can coordinate with the Birdwatchers Field Club of India and with other Societies.

Kindly inform Mr. S Sridhar, Navbharath Enterprises, Seshadripuram, Bangalore - 560 020, (Tel : 364142) whether you can attend the meeting.

Yours Faithfully,

  
(Zafar Futehally)

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My dear Vijayan,

I refer to your letter of 21st April 92 in connection with SACON. I have been waiting for news about your policies, activities and projects so that I could publish them in the Newsletter for Birdwatchers. Can I have this note by 30th. September so that I can include it in the Sept./Oct. issue ?

You may have read or heard about the formation of the Ornithological Society of India during the Symposium held in Garhwal University in November 91. At a meeting which took place in Bangalore on 23rd. July 92, further steps were taken to get the Society going, and you will receive the membership forms etc. during the next few weeks

One important decision taken in the meeting was that the NLBW should become the official organ of the OSI, but that its character should remain unchanged as a popular medium of communication between birdwatchers and ornithologists in India. But it was also suggested that the OSI should later on produce a scientific journal. This is where close understanding must be established between SACON, BNHS, OSI, (and possibly PAVO ?) so that there is neither conflict, nor unnecessary duplication of effort. In this connection would you be good enough to initiate a dialogue with the Secretary General of OSI Dr. Mrs Asha Chandola Saklani .

I will in future send you copies of correspondence relating to policy matters of the OSI, to avoid conflicts and complications, and I am taking the liberty to send copies of this letter to Asha, Robert Grubb, and some of the proposed Regional Secretaries of the OSI.

Best wishes

Zafar Futehally  
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21 April 1992

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Dear Mr Futehally

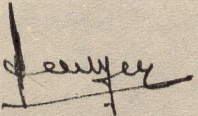
Thank you very much for your letter of 13 April 1992. It should be a nice idea to give a brief of SACON in the News Letter. However, the letter which I sent to you earlier does not contain enough material. I shall be preparing a short note for publication in the News Letter and shall send the same to you shortly.

I certainly agree with you that SACON should be the Apex body of Ornithology in this country and it should make use of all existing institutions and individuals for furthering its objectives. It will be my endeavour to see that those who are interested in Ornithology participate in the SACON's programmes. One such programme which I feel that the Ornithologists in this Country could contribute is, our Survey and Classification of Wetlands in the country. This is going to be one of the prestigious projects of SACON as it would make a complete survey of the wetlands in the country as done in the lines of the survey conducted in the U.S. Once the project is formulated properly, I shall be getting in touch with the persons concerned. I would always look up to you for your guidance and co-operation. On conservation issues when we feel that we require a push from a Senior person I shall again look up to you.

I haven't yet received the proposal for reforestation Kankeshwar Hill at Kihim.

With warm personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
Dr V S VIJAYAN  
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Dear AASHEESH PITTIE

At the International Symposium on Hormonal and Environmental Approaches to Ornithology, held at Garhwal University in November 1991, it was decided to establish the Ornithological Society of India. An ad-hoc Committee was established with Dr. Anha Chandola Saklani as Secretary General and Zafar Futehally as President.

A few meetings of the ad-hoc Committee have been held, the most recent one at Bangalore on 23rd July. At this meeting it was decided that Regional Secretaries should be appointed who would be an important part of the network of the Society.

I would be very glad if you would agree to be the Regional Secretary for your area. On hearing from you I will write to you further about your role in this organisation

Yours sincerely

Zafar Futehally  
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Sorry for this circular letter but  
please confirm your consent. Your  
involvement will be of great value

Zafar Futehally

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Ref: Yours of 16.8.92.

August 22, 1992

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Dear Mr Futehally,

I am honoured and happy to be asked to be a regional secretary of the Ornithological Society of India. I hope I can achieve your and my own expectations in carrying out this work.

Though I accept this responsibility, in principle, I am not clear how much of my time this work will take. I have just set up an industry which will demand all my attention. This will be my first priority. I hope you understand. If you could tell me about my role in this organisation, as mentioned in your letter, the picture will become much clearer to me.

I thank you once again for your confidence and await your reply.

Sincerely,

