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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Milvus migrans

Milvus

Accipitridae

COMMON NAMES

काली चील

black kite, pariah kite

Interesting Facts

The black kite is a scavenger & it is known for snatching food from human hands. It builds a nest of sticks & rubbish and roosts communally

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Megalaima zeylanica

P. zeylanicus

Megalaimidae

COMMON NAMES

कुटूरगा

Brown-headed barbet

Interesting Facts

The barbet is frugivore that is particularly fond of figs. It is identified by its very distinct call that is remarkably loud for its small size. The monotonous "cootroo cootroo" call is its noisiest in the peak of summer

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

columbidae

columba livia

columbiformes

COMMON NAMES

कबूतर

pigeon, rock pigeon

Interesting Facts

Its most distinctive feature is that only male of the species speaks. They nest anywhere and breed through the year

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Streptopelia tranquebarica

S. tranquebarica

columbidae

COMMON NAMES

कपोतक

red-collared-dove

Interesting Facts

It nests in trees close to the ground. Its voice is considered harsh and repetitive and its presence marks the start of summer

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

treron phoenicopteru

T. phoenicopterus

Columbidae

COMMON NAMES

हरियाल या हरियल

yellow-footed green pigeon

Interesting Facts

Both male & female are same in appearance and color (female is slightly duller). It is a heavy bird with distinctive yellow feet

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Spilopelia senegalensis

S. senegalensis

columbidae

COMMON NAMES

परकि, तोतरा, खुमरी

Laughing dove

Interesting Facts

Often confused with the spotted dove, this bird nests in low bushes & stony / scrub-covered terrain

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Pycnonotus jocosus

P. jocosus

Pycnonotidae

COMMON NAMES

सिपाही बुलबुल

Red whiskered bulbul

Interesting Facts

Distinct red-patch behind the eye.

It loves to eat fruits, flowers and small insects. Its call sounds

"pettigrew"

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Centropus bengalensis

C. bengalensis

Cuculidae

COMMON NAMES

महोख या महोक

lesser coucal juvenile

Interesting Facts

*It feeds almost entirely on grass
hoppers and spends its time
perched & inactive. Call is a series
of "whoot, whoot:*

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Turdus dissimilis

T. dissimilis

Turdidae

COMMON NAMES

कस्तूरी

black-breasted thrush

Interesting Facts

Is a shy & secretive bird that forages on lead litter. Has a song that is sweet and mellow.

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Megalaima haemacephala

M. haemacephala

Megalaimidae

COMMON NAMES

छोटा बसंता, कठखोरा

coppersmith

Interesting Facts

*clings to and climbs up tree trunks
using its tail for support. Call
similar to the barbet*

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Copsychus saularis

C. saularis

Turdidae

COMMON NAMES

दहियर, काली सुई चिड़िया

Oriental magpie-robin

Interesting Facts

It has a sweet, tuneful song. It sits with its tail cocked and moves by hopping around

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Motacilla citreola

M. citreola

Motacillidae

COMMON NAMES

वेगटेल

Citrine wagtail

Interesting Facts

Widespread and fairly common over much of Asia. Breeding males spectacular and unmistakable: bright yellow head and body contrasts with black collar and dark back. Females less conspicuous, dull yellow with dark cheek patch

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Prinia socialis

P. socialis

Cisticolidae

COMMON NAMES

फुत्की

ashy prinia

Interesting Facts

It usually sticks to the undergrowth and shrubbery, though individuals often sing from a higher perch such as wires. Usually occurring in ones and twos, and it can be quite bold and fearless. It has a loud ringing song that is given year-round and a plain nasal call.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Acridotheres tristis

A. tristis

Sturnidae

COMMON NAMES

मैना

common myna, starling

Interesting Facts

An omnivorous open woodland bird with a strong territorial instinct, the common myna has adapted extremely well to urban environments.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Sturnia pagodarum

S. pagodarum

Sturnidae

COMMON NAMES

ब्राह्मणी मैना या पूहई

brahminy starling

Interesting Facts

Distinct long, wispy crest. It is usually seen in pairs or small flocks in open habitats on the plains of the Indian subcontinent.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Ocyrceros birostris

O. birostris

Bucerotidae

COMMON NAMES

धूसर धनेश

Indian grey hornbill

Interesting Facts

It is mostly arboreal and is commonly sighted in pairs. It has grey feathers all over the body with a light grey or dull white belly. The horn is black or dark grey with a casque extending to the point of curvature of the horn.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Passer domesticus

P. domesticus

Passeridae

COMMON NAMES

गौरैया

house sparrow

Interesting Facts

The house sparrow is strongly associated with human habitation. Though found in widely varied habitats and climates, it typically avoids extensive woodlands, grasslands, and deserts away from human development. It feeds mostly on the seeds of grains and weeds

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Turdoides striata

A. striata

Leiothrichidae

COMMON NAMES

सात भाई

Jungle babbler

Interesting Facts

Jungle babblers are gregarious birds with a dark brow in front of the eye that contrasts with its pale eye giving it a perpetual "angry" look. They forage in small groups of 6-10 birds, a habit that has given them the popular name of "Seven Sisters" & Saath bhai. It is a common resident breeding bird often seen in gardens & forested areas.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Corvus splendens

C. splendens

Corvidae

COMMON NAMES

कौवा

house crow

Interesting Facts

A slender, blackish medium-sized crow with a long bill. The grayish nape and sides form a paler collar that contrasts with the glossy black body. Primarily a scavenger, feeding on leftover rubbish from humans. Found in a wide range of habitats mostly around human habitation. Their call is a loud and harsh “kaa kaa kaa.”

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Eudynamys scolopaceus

E. scolopaceus

Cuculidae

COMMON NAMES

कोयल

Asian koel (m)

Interesting Facts

Distinctive in all plumages, but usually secretive, keeping to the interior of dense trees in many habitats, even inner cities and fields.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Vanellus indicus

V. indicus

Charadriidae

COMMON NAMES

टिटिहरी

red-wattled lapwing

Interesting Facts

Usually found in small groups around water bodies, agricultural fields, and dry land. They feed primarily on insects, catching them in a typical plover like manner, running a short distance and picking up food from ground. A bird known for its characteristics loud alarm call that sounds "T-T-T-tree"

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Cinnyris asiaticus

C. asiaticus

Nectariniidae

COMMON NAMES

शकरखोरा

purple sunbird (m)

Interesting Facts

The male is a metallic blue and purple overall with maroon feathers on the breast. The female is olive above & yellow below. Seen in pairs, feeding chiefly on nectar, insects. They are found in gardens, cultivated areas, & forests.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Athene brama

A. brama

Strigidae

COMMON NAMES

उल्लू

spotted owlet

Interesting Facts

The spotted owlet is small & is a common resident of open habitats including farmland and human habitation, it has adapted to living in cities. They roost in small groups in the hollows of trees or in cavities in rocks or buildings.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Merops orientalis

M. orientalis

Meropidae

COMMON NAMES

पतेना

Green Bee-eater

Interesting Facts

A small, dainty bee-eater of open woodlands, farmland, and sparse human habitation. Flies gracefully as it catches insects and other prey. Calls are a series of gentle liquid trills or more staccato notes

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Saxicola caprata

S. caprata

Muscicapidae

COMMON NAMES

काला पिद्दा

pied bushchat

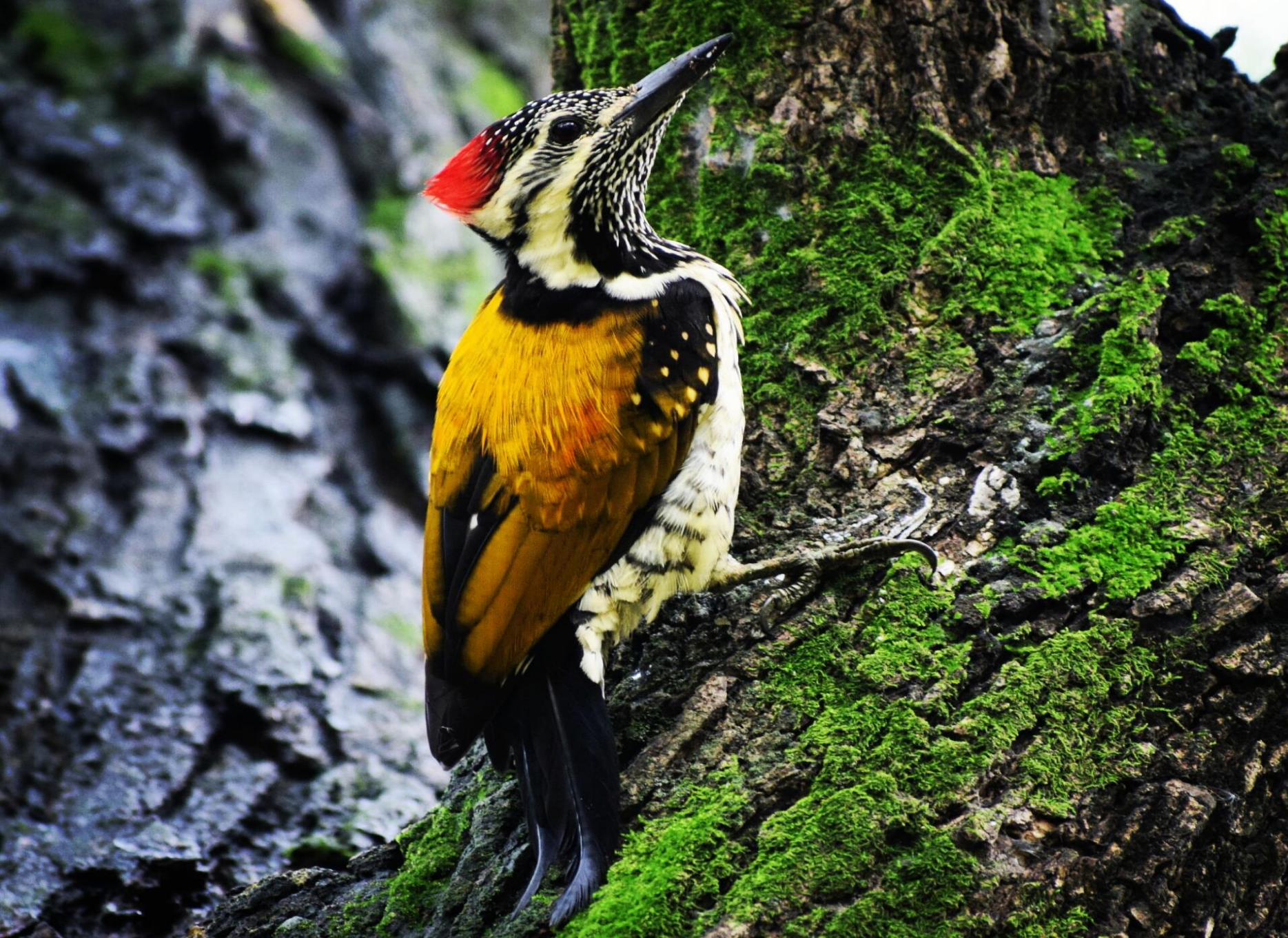
Interesting Facts

A sedentary “chat” associated with open habitats in tropical and subtropical Asia. It may use and sing from any open perch unlike more discerning stonechats. Calls include a rising “whee” and hard, decisive “chruk.”

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Dinopium benghalense

D. benghalense

Picidae

COMMON NAMES

कठफोड़वा

Black-rumped flameback,
woodpecker

Interesting Facts

A common, "small-billed" golden-backed woodpecker with four toes. Often detected by its loud "ki-ki-ki-ki-ki," which steadily increases in pace and ends in a trill.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Halcyon smyrnensis

H. smyrnensis

Alcedinidae

COMMON NAMES

नीलकंठ

white-throated kingfisher,

white-breasted kingfisher

Interesting Facts

Common both near and away from water; frequently seen perched on fence posts and telephone lines near wetlands, lakes, agricultural fields, and clearings. Gives jarring, raptor-like descending trills and cackles, often in flight.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

psittacula krameri

P. krameri

psittacidae

COMMON NAMES

गुलाबी-माला तोता

rose-ringed parakeet, Indian
ringneck parrot

Interesting Facts

*Vibrantly bright green parakeet,
frequently found in woodland,
parks, and gardens, where it feeds
mainly in trees. Nests in cavities,
including holes in buildings.*

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Euodice malabarica

E. malabarica

Estrildidae

COMMON NAMES

शुभ्रकंठी

Indian silverbill

Interesting Facts

Highly sociable throughout the year.
Found in semidesert, scrub, and dry woodland but also proliferates in urban areas. Distribution is centered on the Indian subcontinent, but it is a popular cage bird and feral populations are widespread. Gives sharp “tsik” and “tseet” calls.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Orthotomus sutorius

O. sutorius

Cisticolidae

COMMON NAMES

सौचिक

common tailorbird

Interesting Facts

The common tailorbird is a songbird found across tropical Asia. Popular for its nest made of leaves "sewn" together and immortalized by Rudyard Kipling as Darzee in his Jungle Book, it is a common resident in urban gardens.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Dendrocitta vagabunda

D. vagabunda

Corvidae

COMMON NAMES

रंगीन कौवा

Rufous Treepie

Interesting Facts

It is a member of the crow family, Corvidae. It is long tailed and has loud musical calls making it very conspicuous. It is found commonly in open scrub, agricultural areas, forests as well as urban gardens.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

Lonchura punctulata

L. punctulata

estrildidae

COMMON NAMES

मुनिया

scaly-breasted munia,
spotted munia

Interesting Facts

Attractive small songbird of grasslands, gardens, fields, and agricultural areas. Native to India and Southeast Asia, with introduced populations scattered elsewhere around the world.

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SCIENTIFIC NAME

pavo cristatus

P. cristatus

Phasianidae

COMMON NAMES

मोर, मयूर

peafowl, peahen, peacock

Interesting Facts

National Bird of India, they are a species in a group of birds called pheasants. The males are called peacocks, while the females are called peahens.

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