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Photographic Field Guide - Wildlife of South India

Penguin Random House India
This study presents authentic data compiled from field experiments and investigations, and provides a point of reference for any future changes associated with anthropogenic activity in semiarid ecosystems. Three years of continuous and rigorous empirical research on biodiversity (from

phytoplankton to higher plants and from zooplankton to higher animals – all flora and fauna) in India's semiarid region have culminated in this work. Though there are many studies available on issues related to biodiversity, the majority cover either specific groups of plants or groups of animals; with the exception of this book, studies that include all flora and fauna including the phyto- and zooplanktons in a given ecosystem are not readily available. Further, the book focuses on an extremely important topic, firstly because semiarid landscapes are highly vulnerable to

climate change, and secondly because other developmental activities will be undertaken in the region in an effort to meet its energy requirements. As such, the results of the current study will provide a standard protocol for subsequent monitoring and mapping of biodiversity for conservation and management. The book explores, quantifies and surveys plant and animal species from aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems, assessing and quantitatively analyzing the diversity indices of different vegetation strata. Further, it investigates

the conservation status of each species (flora and fauna) in keeping with IUCN categories. The study also examines landscape dynamics using RS and GIS for vegetation analysis, and discusses traditional ecological knowledge related to the use, conservation and management of biodiversity. As such, it offers a unique and valuable resource not only for researchers from the environmental/ecological sciences but also for conservationists and policymakers.

Wildlife of Central India Bentham Science Publishers

This book is about a question that bothers no one in India: Why preserve wild animals despite the danger they pose to human life and property? While the whole world is conserving wildlife as a natural resource to support national economies, India preserves dangerous animals just for the heck of it. While the world feeds millions and makes billions from wildlife, an impoverished India says we want none of it. As a result, both, the animals and people, are just struggling to survive. HS Pabla, of the Indian Forest Service, spent 35 years trying to preserve India's wildlife, wondering: why? When he found an

answer, that wildlife can be the backbone of the rural economy, rather than just being a menace, he found himself pitted against his own Government and peers. Here he bares his heart about how the Indian conservation paradigm is, surprisingly, neither rooted in its cultural and religious traditions, nor has any vision for the future. India will be poorer if she is able to save wild animals which have no use either for the tourist or for the hunter, he argues. Millions of acres of wilderness have been saved worldwide because the public wants to see or hunt wild animals on those lands. Wildlife tourism works both for people and for animals. This book, the first in a trilogy, shows how and where.

The Vanishing OUP India

This is the first ever monumental and scientific documentation of the faunal wealth of the Indian Desert state of Rajasthan. This volume, the first of two, provides background on Rajasthan and covers species diversity and distribution of fauna. A scholarly contribution to the field of knowledge, it provides novel and vital information on the vertebrate faunal heritage of India's largest state. Broadly falling under the Indo-Malaya Ecozone, the

three major biomes of Rajasthan include deserts and xeric shrublands, tropical and subtropical dry broadleaf forests, and tropical and subtropical moist broadleaf forests. The corresponding ecoregions to the above biomes are, respectively, the Thar Desert and northwestern thorn scrub forests, the Khathiar-Gir dry deciduous forests, and the Upper Gangtic Plains moist deciduous forests. Contrary to popular belief, the well-known Thar or Great Indian Desert occupies only a part of the state. Rajasthan is diagonally divided by the Aravalli mountain ranges into arid and semi-arid regions. The latter have a spectacular variety of highly diversified and unique yet fragile ecosystems comprising lush green fields, marshes, grasslands, rocky patches and hilly terrains, dense forests, the southern plateau, fresh water wetlands, and salt lakes. Apart from the floral richness, there is faunal abundance from fishes to mammals. In this volume, the various flagship and threatened species are described in the 24 chapters penned by top notch wildlife experts and academics. The world famous heronry, tiger reserves, wildlife sanctuaries and some threat-

ridden biodiversity rich areas shall certainly draw the attention of readers from around the world.

Indian Mammals Springer

A comprehensive and user-friendly photographic field guide covering more than 1,000 birds, mammals, insects, reptiles, and plants. The Indian subcontinent is exceptionally rich in wildlife because of its wide variety of habitats and climates, ranging from the ocean to the Himalayas and from the Rajasthan desert to Mawsynram in Meghalaya, one of the wettest places on earth. This diversity supports a huge range of charismatic species, from the iconic Tiger to Clouded Leopards, crocodiles to King Cobras, hornbills to eagles. Covering these animals and many others, as well as trees and flowers, this color photographic field guide describes and illustrates more than 1,000 species from all over India, including the Andaman and Nicobar islands. The guide begins with an overview of India's climate and geography, its wildlife habitats and how to enjoy them, and threats to wildlife. The main part of the book includes concise species descriptions of 770 birds, 114 mammals,

72 butterflies and other insects, 54 reptiles, and 54 plants, each accompanied by a photograph. The book concludes with a section on wildlife-watching in the national parks and wildlife sanctuaries, which offer the best chance of seeing many of the species described. Describes and illustrates more than 1,000 species from all across India—including some 770 birds, 114 mammals, 72 butterflies and other insects, 54 reptiles, and 54 plants. Features more than 1,000 color photographs. Includes a guide to national parks and wildlife sanctuaries and the key species to be seen there.

Flowering Plants of the Western Ghats, India: Dicots Rupa Publications

This book describes the outstanding features of the ecology and biogeography of the Indian region, comprising former British India, Nepal, Bhutan, Ceylon and Burma. It summarizes the results of nearly four decades' studies and field explorations and discussions with students on the distribution of plants and animals, practically throughout this vast area and on the underlying factors. A number of specialists in geology, meteorology, botany, zoology, ecology and

anthropology have also actively collaborated with me and have contributed valuable chapters in their respective fields. India has an exceptionally rich and highly diversified flora and fauna, exhibiting complex composition, character and affinities. Although the fauna of the Indian region as a whole is less completely known than its flora, we are nevertheless fairly well acquainted with at least the salient features of its faunal characters to enable us to present a meaningful discussion on some of the outstanding peculiarities of the biogeography of India. A general synthesis of the available, though much scattered, information should prove useful to future students of biogeography throughout the world.

Encyclopedia of Indian Natural History
Indus Publishing

Wild India takes you on a journey to discover the wildlife wonders of the Indian subcontinent in all their splendour and beauty. India's enormous landmass plays host to a huge diversity of wildlife and its geography ranges from the southernmost tip at the beaches of Tamil Nadu, to the northern snow-capped mountains of the Himalayas, and from Thar desert in the

west to the rainforests in the northeast on the border to Myanmar. This variety of habitats has led to an extremely diverse flora and fauna, which is documented in this beautiful photographic book. India has one of the highest human populations on earth, though despite such populations density, its enormous landmass plays host to a huge diversity of wildlife. Of the world's 37 known species of wild cats, 14 are found in India more than in any other country. There are about 350 species of mammals, 540 species of reptiles and 1200 species of birds breeding in India. The geography of the Indian subcontinent ranges from the southern most tip at the beaches of Tamil Nadu, to the northern snow-capped mountains of the Himalayas. AUTHOR: Axel Gomille worked as a biologist and field guide in the central Indian tiger reserves of Kanha and Bandhavgarh before going on to a career as a TV editor. His award-winning photographs have been exhibited worldwide.

Ecology and Biogeography in India
Princeton University Press

Rare Animals of India is a unique book that presents the biological and ecological

accounts of the least known animal species of India in one comprehensive volume. The book gives comprehensive ecological accounts supported with data tables on rare and specific animal species of India and discusses the basis for their rarity and their conservation. It includes information about the Indian Gharial (*Gavialis gangeticus*) the endangered Forest Owlet (*Heteroglaux blewitti*), the Bengal Marsh Mongoose, Snow Leopards and many more. Readers are guided through several chapters each detailing a specific kind of animal, some of them being on the list of endangered species. With over 150 color illustrations, this intriguing reference will be of immense interest to zoologists, ecologists, naturalists and conservation biologists as well as general readers across the world interested in studying such rare animals found in the length and breadth of the Indian region.

Spider (Arachnida) Daya Publishing House
This guide contains photographs and descriptions of 140 species you are likely to encounter either on a holiday or journey around India. Although the country is perhaps best known for the tiger or the

Indian elephant, many other mammals, birds, reptiles, invertebrates, trees and shrubs are also included. In addition, there is information on India's history, climate, conservation, culture, finding and observing wildlife, and a section on the country's national parks.

Wildlife of the Himalayas and the Terai Region Springer

This beautifully illustrated guide to India Wildlife highlights over 120 species of birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and butterflies. Laminated for durability, this 12-panel folding guide includes back panel eco-region map showing wildlife viewing areas. Ideal for visitors, conservationists and citizen science programs.

Wildlife Of India Orient Blackswan
The importance of wetlands to life on Earth is now generally accepted. This is a reference book and identification manual for the vascular plants found in permanent or seasonal fresh water in the subcontinent of India south of the Himalayas. About 660 species are described, and all plants are illustrated by line drawings showing the diagnostic features. The text is written in a style for both experts and those with only a little

botanical training. Scientists and conservationists will be able to identify the plants with accuracy and to build on this information to promote conservation.

Flora of Gangotri National Park, Western Himalaya, India Springer Science & Business Media

A fully updated edition of the bestselling guide to the mammals of India Covering the rich diversity of mammal species in India, from tigers, elephants, rhinoceros and whales to primates, rodents and bats, Indian Mammals is field-ready, illustrated and comprehensive in approach.

Rigorously researched, Indian Mammals reflects a lifetime's work by Vivek Menon, one of India's leading authorities on Indian wildlife. Planned for easy reference, this compact guide is the essential resource for wildlifers of any age, including animal watchers, eco-tourists and active conservationists. * More than 440 species of both terrestrial and aquatic mammals with introductory pages on each order * Describes key identification features, biometrics, behaviour, social strategies, habitat and distribution * Over 1,000 carefully curated photographs and supplementary illustrations * 140-plus

updated distribution maps * Colour tabs for sections to facilitate ease of use * Live-action field notes from the author

A Guide to Some Urban Fauna of India Waterford Press

The Pathanamthitta District consists of three natural divisions viz, the lowlands, midlands and highlands. The topography of the district is highly undulating with hills and valleys. The vegetation is divided into 3 categories such as lowland vegetation, midland vegetation and upland vegetation. The Flora presents a systematic account of a total of 1249 species belonging to 658 general of 148 families of seed plants. The species index is registered as 460/1000 sq km which is comparatively very high and indicates the richness of the floristic diversity of the district. Seven new species and two new varieties have been discovered from the district. An analysis of the flora showed that 260 species are endemic which formed 22% of the total species. About 200 species are rare and 175 are severely threatened; most of which are local endemics. A total of 90 wild relatives of cultivated crop plants have been collected. Each species is provided with detailed up-

to-date nomenclatural citations including synonyms if any, descriptions, phenology, distribution and notes on ecology, nomenclature, uses etc, if any.

Illustrations of good quality of 59 species are also provided. The comprehensive floristic account will be of immense use to the botanists, agriculturists, foresters, pharmacists, phytochemists, nature conservationists, ethnobotanists and to all the scientists working in other allied disciplines. Contents Chapter 1: Introduction; Chapter 2: Area of Study; Chapter 3: Vegetation; Chapter 4: Review of Earlier Work; Chapter 5: Present Work; Chapter 6: Floristic Analysis; Chapter 7: Threats of the Flora; Chapter 8: Proposed Area for Conservation; Chapter 9: Systematic Treatment.

Wildlife of India Daya Books

Animals are worshipped in India in many ways: as deities—the elephant-god Ganesha and the monkey-god Hanuman; as avatars—like Vishnu's fish, tortoise and boar forms; and as vahanas—the swan, bull, lion and tiger were all vehicles of major deities and are thus sacred by association. Some animals, like the snake, are worshipped out of fear. Birds such as

the crow are associated with the abode of the dead, or the souls of ancestors, while the cow's sanctity may derive from its economic value. There are also hero-animals, such as the vanaras, and animals which were totemic symbols of tribes that were assimilated into Vedic Hinduism. Sacred Animals of India draws on the ancient religious traditions of India—Hinduism, Buddhism and Jainism—to explore the customs and practices that engendered the veneration of animals in India. This book also examines the traditions that gave animals in India protection, and is a reminder of the role of animal species in the earth's biodiversity.

Wildlife of India CreateSpace

The Book Focuses On Key Landmarks In The History Of Indian Wildlife - Both Its Conservation And Decline. Chapters On The Ancient And Medieval Periods Sketch Out India's Early Wildlife History. Nature's Retreat Against Human Onslaught Over The Past Two Centuries, And Efforts To Reverse That Trend, Are Addressed In Detail. The Past Can Serve As A Guide To Options For The Present. It Can Reveal Strategies For A Future In Which Wildlife

And People Coexist. This Book Ends By Looking Ahead And Identifies Workable Ways To Conserve India's Vanishing Wildlife.

India's Wildlife History Springer Science & Business Media

The fourth in the Bombay Natural History Society's popular series that aims at making accessible old writings, drawings, and paintings of India's rich flora and fauna, this book discusses the Himalayas, its foothills, and the adjoining terai and duar grassland-forests. Focusing on the mammals of the Himalayan region, the book draws largely on the pioneering work of S.H. Prater and R.A. Sterndale.

Illustrated Flora Hachette India

As a first step towards conservation and sustainable utilization of biodiversity, documentation of flora and fauna of the region attains top priority. In this context floristic studies of a particular area/region are vital for conservation of native and endemic species of flora and for bringing awareness about the value of wild plants and their uses. For any floristic study authentic identification/recognition of plants in the field is a major challenge since there are a large number of

vernacular and common names for the same species as well as different plant species have the same common name. Hence, besides the taxonomic description, to facilitate field identification for the first time the Book provides original photographs of all the plants recorded in the flora illustrating morphology of leaf, flower and fruits besides their common names, vernacular names in Hindi and Sanskrit, habit, habitat and distribution. Also provided for each species are chemical properties, medicinal properties and folklore and traditional medicinal uses which have been compiled from extensive literature search. The book also provides a Glossary of medical and taxonomic terms used as well as an appendix giving the properties of medicinal plant species used for various diseases and ailments in traditional and folk systems of medicines. It is hoped that the book will be equally useful to undergraduate and postgraduate students, teachers, and researchers of Botany/Plant taxonomy/Ethnobotany/Ayurveda/Biochemistry in Colleges and Universities in India and elsewhere and it will generate interest in local plants and their conservation.

Sacred Animals of India Notion Press
This Encyclopaedia Will Appeal To Anyone Curious About The Richness And Variety Of Life On The Sub-Continent And Will Create A Better Understanding Of Our Own Responsibility To Presence It For The Future.

Exotic Aliens Har-Anand Publications
Mishki and Pushka are can't wait to get going. Daadu Dolma is taking them on a safari to see some of India's famed wildlife. They're about see rare animals like the Gangetic dolphin, meet endangered species like the Bengal tigers and one-horned rhinoceros, watch some amazing reptiles slither around and spot colourful birds like the fire-tailed myzornis and the Himalayan monal! With so many mountains, forests, water bodies, swamps and deserts, it's no surprise that India has such amazing wildlife. So get set to join

your favourite happy campers and their good old friend, Daadu Dolma and learn all about India's incredible wildlife. Wildlife of India is part of the Discover India series of books that contain lots of fun facts and engaging activities. Through these books, you will delve into the history, culture, food, festivals, wildlife, monuments of India, and find out what makes this diverse nation such a fascinating place to be.

Flora of India Puffin
Can a populous country like India 'afford' to protect wildlife? Is there space for wildlife in a land-scarce, densely populated country, and can wild animals and people coexist, or is the relationship inevitably confrontational? Is conservation and protecting the flora and fauna a hindrance to the growth agenda? Is development inimical to ecological security? The Vanishing explores such burning issues that confront wildlife

conservation today.

Flora of Pathanamthitta (Western Ghats, Kerala, India) Penguin UK

This book offers a comprehensive account of India's four biodiversity hotspots: the Himalaya, Indo-Burma, Western Ghats and Sri Lanka and Andaman and Nicobar Islands. With a focus on tropical rainforests, it includes more than 30 chapters covering different vertebrate fauna e.g. fishes, amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals, as well as topics such as conservation and management aspects. Written by experts in the field of biodiversity conservation and management, it offers ample new insights into a number of subjects related to the faunal communities of tropical forest ecosystems, providing a valuable resource for conservationists and researchers in the field of flora and fauna diversity.

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