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Africa.

HABITAT: Savannah grassland.

ALTITUDE: < 100 m.

LEGAL STATUS: IUCN-E, CITES-I,

NRDB STATUS: EXN.

FAMILY: PLATANISTIDAE

Platanista gangetica

COMMON NAME: Gangetic Dolphin.

REPORTED:

DISTRIBUTION: RBNP, RCNP and KTWR.

RANGE: The rivers Ganges, Brahmaputra and Indus and their major tributaries.

HABITAT: Large rivers of Terai.

ALTITUDE: Confined to large rivers systems of terai; < 1000 m.

LEGAL STATUS: HMG-P, IUCN-V, CITES-I.

NRDB STATUS: C.

FAMILY: ELEPHANTIDAE

Elephas maximus

COMMON NAME: Asiatic Elephant.

REPORTED:

DISTRIBUTION: RBNP, RCNP, RSWR, PWR and KTWR. Also reported from the districts of Bar, Kai and Kan.

RANGE: Formerly, throughout the mainland part of the region and on the islands of Sri Lanka and Sumatra; in prehistoric times also on Java and Borneo, and beyond the Region west to Iraq and north through most of lowland China. At present scattered populations exist throughout much of the Indochinese subregion from Assam and extreme south Yunnan to Vietnam, Thailand and in malaya, with isolated populations in southwest and northeast India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Sumatra and north Borneo. It is uncertain whether the population on Borneo is relict or the result of re-introduction. Feral on some of the Andaman Islands.

HABITAT: Found in a wide variety of forest types but limited on one hand by the need for daily access to water and on the other by feeding primarily upon grass and therefore avoiding large areas of closed-canopy forest.

ALTITUDE: Confined to the Terai lowlands; < 1000 m.

LEGAL STATUS: HMG-P, IUCN-E, CITES-I, IWA.

NRDB STATUS: E.

FAMILY: RHINOCEROTIDAE

Rhinoceros unicornis

COMMON NAME: One-horned Rhinoceros.

REPORTED:

DISTRIBUTION: RSWR, RBNP, KTWR, RCNP and PWR. Also reported from the districts of Chi, Bar and Naw.

RANGE: The Terai lowlands of Nepal, Bengal and Assam, with the main concentration now in the Kaziranga National Park, Assam and the Chitwan National Park in Nepal. Formerly west at least to the Indus Valley as late as the 16th century AD. A single individual recorded at RSWR 1994/1995.

HABITAT: Open grasslands, scrubland and woodlands.

ALTITUDE: Confined to the Terai lowlands; < 1000 m.

LEGAL STATUS: HMG-P, IUCN-E, CITES-I, IWA.

NRDB STATUS: E.

FAMILY: SUIDAE

Sus salvanius

COMMON NAME: Pygmy Hog.

REPORTED: Corbet and Hill.

DISTRIBUTION:

RANGE: Formerly throughout the Terai grassland zone from Nepal to Assam; now probably fragmented and only confirmed in recent years from Assam.

HABITAT: Grasslands.

ALTITUDE: Confined to Terai lowlands; < 1000 m.

LEGAL STATUS: IUCN-EX?, IWA.

NRDB STATUS: EXN.

FAMILY: TRAGULIDAE

Moschiola meminna
(=*Tragulus meminna*)

COMMON NAME: Indian Chevrotain.

REPORTED: *Tragulus mimenoides* Hodgson, 1842:914; Nepal Terai. Champion, 1929,

DISTRIBUTION:

RANGE: Nepal, Peninsular India, northwest Rajasthan, Sri Lanka. Record by Mitchell (1975) needs corroboration.

HABITAT:

ALTITUDE: < 1000 m.

LEGAL STATUS:

NRDB STATUS: EXN.

FAMILY: MOSCHIDAE

Moschus chrysogaster

COMMON NAME: Himalayan Forest Musk Deer.

REPORTED: Hodgson, 1839.

DISTRIBUTION: SNP, MBNP, LNP, ACAP, SPNP, DHR, KNP and RNP. Also recorded from the

