



Himalayan Bird Survey

Why in News?

- As per the preliminary report of the first Himalayan Bird Survey released by Bird Count India recently, Uttarakhand has the highest number of species of Himalayan birds.

Key Points

- According to this report, 171 species of Himalayan birds have been observed in Uttarakhand.
- This census of Himalayan birds has been done by Bird Count India under the e-bird global platform in various Himalayan states.
- During the census, a number of other birds including monal, the Wall Creeper, Spotted Naticracker and Streak Breasted Shimitter Babbler along with the rare Red Cross Bill have been spotted in Uttarakhand.
- The report contains the following number of bird species in various Himalayan States/UTs/Districts and in them:

| Place | Bird Species |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Uttarakhand | 171 |
| Ladakh | 148 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 125 |
| Jammu and Kashmir | 122 |
| Darjeeling | 49 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 47 |
| Sikkim | 36 |
| Kalipong (West Bengal) | 08 |