

# Asian Waterbird Census (Southeast Asia)



Please return to your National Co-ordinator or Wetland International, 3A39, Kelana Centre Point, No. 3, Jalan SS7/19, Kelana Jaya 47301, MALAYSIA (Before March)

Country:  
**Philippines**

Name of Site:  
**Brgy. Buagsong Tidal/Mudflats**

Date:  
**15 January 2006**

Provincial/State/Prefecture: **Cebu Province**  
Nearest Large Town: **Municipality of Cordova**

Site Code (only for official use)

Type: A – Aerial **F** On foot, B – By boat, M - Mixed  
Coverage **V**-25%, W-25-50%, X-50-75%, Y-75-99%, Z-100%

Has the site been counted before?  
Yes  No

## Waterfowl Counts

- \_\_\_\_\_ Little Grebe *Tachybaptus ruficollis*
- \_\_\_\_\_ CORMORANTS & DARTERS
- \_\_\_\_\_ Great Cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Indian Shag *P. fuscicollis*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Little Cormorant *P. niger*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unidentified cormorants
- \_\_\_\_\_ Oriental Darter *Anhinga melanogaster*
- \_\_\_\_\_ HERONS & EGRETS
- \_\_\_\_\_ Great Bittern *Botaurus stellaris*
- 2   Yellow Bittern *Ixobrychus sinensis*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Schrenck's Bittern *I. eurhythmus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cinnamon Bittern *I. cinnamomeus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Black Bittern *I. flavicollis*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Japanese Night Heron *Gorsachius goisagi*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Malayan Night Heron (Tiger Bittern) *G. melanolophus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Black-crowned Night Heron *Nycticorax nycticorax*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Rufous Night Heron *N. caledonicus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Indian Pond Heron *Ardeola grayii*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chinese Pond Heron *A. bacchus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Javan Pond Heron *A. speciosa*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*
- 7   Striated (Little Green) Heron *Butorides striatus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Reef Egret *Egretta sacra*
- 5   Chinese (Swinhoe's) Egret *E. eulophotes*
- 55   Little Egret *E. garzetta* Common
- \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate Egret *E. intermedia*
- 5   Great Egret *E. alba*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Grey Heron *A. cinerea*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Great-billed Heron *A. sumatrana*
- 300  Unidentified herons and egrets
- \_\_\_\_\_ STORKS
- \_\_\_\_\_ Milky Stork *Mycteria cinerea*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Painted Stork *M. leucocephala*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Asian Openbill *Anastomus oscitans*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Black Stork *Ciconia nigra*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Woolly-necked Stork *C. episcopus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Storm's Stork *C. stormi*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Black-necked Stork *Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Lesser Adjutant *Leptoptilos javanicus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Greater Adjutant *L. dubius*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unidentified storks
- \_\_\_\_\_ IBISES & SPOONBILLS
- \_\_\_\_\_ Black-headed (White) Ibis *Threskiornis melanocephalus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ White-shouldered Ibis *Pseudibis davisoni*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Giant Ibis *Thaumatibis gigantea*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ White Spoonbill *Platalea leucorodia*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Black-faced Spoonbill *P. minor*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unidentified Spoonbills

## GEESE & DUCKS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Spotted Whistling Duck *Dendrocygna guttata*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fulvous (Large) Whistling Duck *D. bicolor*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wandering Whistling Duck *D. arcuata*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Lesser Whistling Duck (Lesser Tree Duck) *D. javanica*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Greylag Goose *Anser anser*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bar-headed Goose *A. indicus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ruddy Shelduck *Tadorna ferruginea*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Common Shelduck *T. tadorna*
- \_\_\_\_\_ White-winged Wood Duck *Cairina scutulata*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Comb Duck *Sarkidiornis melanotos*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Indian Cotton Teal *Nettapus coromandelianus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Eurasian Wigeon *Anas penelope*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Falcated Teal *A. falcata*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Gadwall *A. strepera*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Common (Green-winged) Teal *A. crecca*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Grey Teal *A. gibberifrons*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mallard *A. platyrhynchos*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Spot-billed Duck *A. poecilorhyncha*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Philippine Duck *A. luzonica*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Pintail *A. acuta*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Garganey *A. querquedula*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Shoveler *A. clypeata*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Red-crested Pochard *Netta rufina*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pochard *Aythya ferina*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Baer's Pochard *A. baeri*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ferruginous Duck *A. nyroca*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tufted Duck *A. fuligula*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Goosander *M. merganser*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unidentified ducks
- \_\_\_\_\_ CRANES
- \_\_\_\_\_ Common Crane *Grus grus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sarus Crane *G. antigone*
- \_\_\_\_\_ RAILS, GALLINULES & COOTS
- \_\_\_\_\_ Water Rail *Rallus aquaticus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Slaty-breasted Rail *R. striatus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Banded Rail *R. philippensis*
- 2   Barred Rail *R. torquatus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Red-legged Crake *Rallina fasciata*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Slaty-legged Crake *R. eurizonoides*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Baillon's Crake *Porzana pusilla*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ruddy Crake *P. fusca*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Band-bellied Crake *P. paykullii*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Spotless Crake *P. tabuensis*
- \_\_\_\_\_ White-browed Crake *P. cinereus (Poliolimnas cinereus)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brown Crake *Amauornis akool*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bush-Hen *A. olivacea*
- \_\_\_\_\_ White-breasted Waterhen *A. phoenicurus*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Watercock *Gallinix cinerea*

_____	Moorhen <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	_____	21	Grey-tailed (Grey-rumped) Tattler <i>Heteroscelus brevipes</i>
_____	Purple Swamphen <i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	_____	33	Ruddy Turnstone <i>Arenaria interpres</i>
_____	Common Coot <i>Fulica atra</i>	_____		Red-necked Phalarope <i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>
_____	<b>FINFOOT &amp; JACANAS</b>	_____		Eurasian Woodcock <i>Scolopax rusticola</i>
_____	Masked Finfoot <i>Heliopais personata</i>	_____		Pintail Snipe <i>Gallinago stenura</i>
_____	Comb-crested Jacana <i>Irediparra gallinacea</i>	_____		Swinhoe's Snipe <i>G. megala</i>
_____	Pheasant-tailed Jacana <i>Hydrophasianus chirurgus</i>	_____		Common Snipe <i>G. gallinago</i>
_____	Bronze-winged Jacana <i>Metopidius indicus</i>	_____		Asiatic Dowitcher <i>Limnodromus semipalmatus</i>
_____	<b>SHOREBIRDS- WADERS</b>	_____		Red Knot <i>Calidris canutus</i>
_____	Painted Snipe <i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>	_____	5	Great Knot <i>C. tenuirostris</i>
_____	Crab Plover <i>Dromas ardeola</i>	_____		Sanderling <i>C. alba</i>
_____	Black-winged Stilt <i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	_____	106	Red-necked (Rufous-necked) Stint <i>C. ruficollis</i>
_____	Australian (White-headed) Stilt <i>H. leucocephalus</i>	_____		Temminck's Stint <i>C. temminckii</i>
_____	Avocet <i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	_____		Long-toed Stint <i>C. subminuta</i>
_____	Great Thick-knee <i>Esacus recurvirostris</i>	_____		Sharp-tailed Sandpiper <i>C. acuminata</i>
_____	Beach Thick-knee <i>E. magnirostris</i>	_____		Dunlin <i>C. alpina</i>
_____	Oriental Pratincole <i>Glareola maldivarum</i>	_____	5	Curlew Sandpiper <i>C. ferruginea</i>
_____	Little Pratincole <i>G. lactea</i>	_____		Spoon-billed Sandpiper <i>Eurynorhynchus pygmeus</i>
_____	Northern Lapwing <i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	_____		Broad-billed Sandpiper <i>Limicola falcinellus</i>
_____	River Lapwing <i>V. duvaucelii</i>	_____	175	Unidentified shorebirds
_____	Grey-headed Lapwing <i>V. cinereus</i>	_____		<b>GULLS, TERNS &amp; SKIMMERS</b>
_____	Red-wattled Lapwing <i>V. indicus</i>	_____		Herring Gull <i>Larus argentatus</i>
11	Pacific Golden Plover <i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	_____		Brown-headed Gull <i>L. brunnicapillus</i>
37	Grey Plover <i>P. squatarola</i>	_____	5	Black-headed Gull <i>L. ridibundus</i>
_____	Long-billed Plover <i>Charadrius placidus</i>	_____		Saunders' Gull <i>L. saundersi</i>
8	Little Ringed Plover <i>C. dubius</i>	_____		Unidentified gulls
15	Kentish Plover <i>C. alexandrinus</i>	_____	5	Whiskered Tern <i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>
_____	Malaysian Plover <i>C. peronii</i>	_____		White-winged Black Tern <i>C. leucopterus</i>
35	Mongolian Plover <i>C. mongolus</i>	_____		Gull-billed Tern <i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>
26	Greater Sand Plover <i>C. leschenaultii</i>	_____		Caspian Tern <i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>
_____	Oriental Plover <i>C. veredus</i>	_____		Indian River Tern <i>Sterna aurantia</i>
_____	Black-tailed Godwit <i>Limosa limosa</i>	_____		Common Tern <i>S. hirundo</i>
17	Bar-tailed Godwit <i>L. lapponica</i>	_____		Black-naped Tern <i>S. sumatrana</i>
_____	Little Curlew <i>Numenius minutus</i>	_____		Black-bellied Tern <i>S. melanogaster</i>
31	Whimbrel <i>N. phaeopus</i>	_____		Little Tern <i>S. albigrons</i>
_____	Eurasian Curlew <i>N. arquata</i>	_____		Great Crested Tern <i>S. bergii</i>
2	Far Eastern Curlew <i>N. madagascariensis</i>	_____		Lesser Crested Tern <i>S. bengalensis</i>
_____	Spotted Redshank <i>Tringa erythropus</i>	_____	150	Unidentified terns
10	Redshank <i>T. totanus</i>	_____		Indian Skimmer <i>Rynchops albicollis</i>
_____	Marsh Sandpiper <i>T. stagnatilis</i>	_____		
32	Greenshank <i>T. nebularia</i>	_____		<b>ADDITIONAL SPECIES</b>
_____	Nordmann's Greenshank <i>T. guttifer</i>	_____		See attached documents
_____	Green Sandpiper <i>T. ochropus</i>	_____		
_____	Wood Sandpiper <i>T. glareola</i>	_____		
25	Terek Sandpiper <i>Xenus cinereus</i>	_____		
9	Common Sandpiper <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	_____		

**USEFUL SITE INFORMATION:** (please circle the relevant figures)

**CONDITION OF WETLAND:** 1. Wet (water present), 2. Totally dry, 3. Totally frozen

**PROTECTION** Not a Protected Site

**THREATS AND USES:** 0 Unknown, 1 None, 2 Sedimentation, 3 Excessive overgrowth of vegetation, 4 Cutting/clearance of vegetation, 5 Eutrophication, 6 Agriculture along drying margins, 7 Excessive cattle grazing, Pollution by 8 domestic sewage, 9 solid waste, A industrial waste, B oil, C pesticides, D fertilizers, E Mining, F Hunting/trapping/poaching of birds, G Little fishing, H Large scale fishing, I Partial reclamation, J Complete reclamation, K Dam/barrage construction, L Tourism/recreation

**TIME OF COUNT:** START : 0730H am FINISH : 1030H am

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Other species of birds observed:

<i>Common English Name</i>	<i>Scientific Name</i>	<i>No. of Individuals</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
Glossy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia esculenta</i>	3	
Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	3	Seen as individuals
White-collared Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus chloris</i>	7	Seen as individuals
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	4	
Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica</i>	5	
Oriental Magpie-Robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	2	Seen as pair
Golden-bellied Flyeater	<i>Gerygone sulphurea</i>	2	
Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>	9	
Olive-backed Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia jugularis</i>	2	Male and female

Threats to Cordova Wetlands (Brgy. Buagsong):

Considering the industrial development of neighboring Mactan island, the most visible threat to this wetland is human encroachment. Cordova is only a few kilometers from the Mactan Export Processing Zone that employs more than 25,000 skilled workers mostly from the island of Cebu and other provinces. The presence of oil depots and other large industrial complex such as ship repair facilities near the area does not rule out pollution/industrial waste.



Photo taken at Brgy. Buagsong, Municipality of Cordova, Province of Cebu during the actual AWC 2006.



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