# Pelagic Bird Monitoring

Status Update – 2014-15

### Trip Summary

### \* List of trips in 2014-2015

Date	Place	District	Organizers
28-09-2014	Azheekal	Alapuzha	KNS
18-12-2014	Beypore	Kozhikode	MNHS
24-03-2015	Beypore	Kozhikode	MNHS
20-03-2015	Kasaragod	Kasaragod	MNHS
29-03-2015	Kannur	Kannur	MNHS

# Key Sightings – Pelagic Trips

Trip/Date	Species	Significance
28-09-2014 Alappuzha	Persian Shearwater Red-necked Phalarope Swinhoe's Storm-petrel Brown Noddy FF Shearwater Arctic Skua Sooty Tern Bridled Tern	PS- Second report for Kerala RNP-Second report for Kerala BT-Highest count 153 nos
18-12-2014 Baypore	Arctic Skua Usual Terns	
29-03-2015 Kannur	Lesser Frigatebird Long-tailed Skua	LF-First record during Pelagic trips LTS- Second record for Kerala and 4th for Indian Sub-continent

### Swinhoe's Storm-petrel-Azheekal, Alappuzha

### **Red-necked Phalarope- Azheekal, Alappuzha**

### Persian Shearwater- Azheekal, Alappuzha

#### Lesser Frigatebird-Kannur



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### Long-tailed Skua - Kannur



# Other sightings

Trip/Date	Species	Significance
Aug 2014 (Purakkad- Alappuzha)	Frigatebird	
Oct-2014 (Azheekal- Alappuzha)	Masked Booby	
April 2015 (Muthanga- Wayanad)	White-tailed Tropicbird	Third report for Kerala
09-05-15 (Walayar- Palakkad)	Long-tailed Skua	Third report for Kerala
June-2015 (Purakkad- Alappuzha)	Great Frigatebird ?	



### White-tailed Tropicbird-Muthanga, Wayanad



#### Long-tailed Skua- Walayar, Palakkad

# Pelagic Trips – Comparison

2013 – 2014	2014 - 2015
1. 18-Aug-13 Thaikkal (Alappuzha)	28-9-2014 Azheekal (Alappuzha)
2. 22-Sep-13 Neeleshwaram (Kannur)	18-12-2014 Beypore (KKD)
3. 19-Oct-13 Azheekkal (Kannur)	24-3-2015 Beypore (KKD)
4. 20-Oct-13 Punnapra (Alappuzha)	20-3-2015 Kasaragod
5. 30-Nov-13 Kozhikkode (Beypore)	29-3-2015 Kannur
6. 27-Apr-14 Ponnani	
7. 29-Apr-14 Kozhikkode (Beypore)	
8. 1-Jun-14 Munambam (Kochi)	

## What went wrong?

District	Remarks
Thiruvananthapuram	???
Kollam	???
Alappuzha	???
Eranakulam	???
Thrissur	???
Malappuram	???
Kozhikode	???
Kannur	???
Kasaragode	???

### Feedback on Methodology

- \* Methodology followed?
- \* Any improvements/suggestions?
- \* Post processing and eBird entry

# How can we make things better?



# THANK YOU

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