








Animals are artists of nature and have taken elements in their surroundings and used them as tools to make surviving easier. When it comes to birds, many migrate as the weather changes. This gives them greater opportunity and accessibility to food and ideal habitat for nesting. There are few birds that do not migrate. They are known as resident birds.


Manipur falls in the Indo-Burma global biodiversity hotspot and the Eastern Himalayan Endemic Bird Area. Birds play a vital role in keeping the balance of nature. Birds eat insects and thus act as a natural way to control pests also important in plant reproduction while acting as a medium of seed dispersal. They are sensitive to habitat change and also an important tool for ecologists measuring the health of environments. There is a need for collective awareness about the endangered birds found in Manipur and their conservation along with their habitat.

Some common Resident Birds of Manipur

Sl. no	Common name	Scientific name	Local Name	IUCN status	Distribution in Manipur	Images
1	Black drongo	<i>Dicrurus macroceros</i>	Cha-roi amubi, Kelke	Least concern	Chandel, Bishnupur, Imphal east, Imphal west, Jiribam, Churachandpur and Thoubal.	
2	Blue-throated Barbet	<i>Megalaima asiatica</i>	U-rok-lao-bi	Least concern	Bishnupur, Imphal east, Imphal west, Jiribam, Churachandpur, Chandel, Senapati, Ukhrul, Tamenglong and Thoubal.	
3	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Sen-dang, Sen-drang, Chawngzawng	Least concern	Imphal east, Imphal west, Jiribam and Thoubal.	

4	Spotted dove	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Lam khu-nu ngak-lang, Uchum, Wathu, Washu	Least concern	Bishnupur, Imphal east, Imphal west, Jiribam, Churachandpur, Chandel, Senapati, Ukhrul, Tamenglong and Thoubal.	
5	Common myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Cho-nga angang-bi, Chom- na, Chong-wa	Least concern	Bishnupur, Imphal east, Imphal west, Jiribam, Churachandpur and Thoubal.	
6	Black wing kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	U-chi Them-bi, Mulem	Least concern	Bishnupur, Imphal east, Imphal west, Churachandpur, Chandel, Senapati, Tamenglong and Thoubal.	
7	Red-vented bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>	Khoi-ning thik-ngang, Pheng-cha-lok, phe-boi	Least concern	Bishnupur, Imphal east, Imphal West, Jiribam, Churachandpur, Chandel, Senapati, Ukhrul, Tamenglong and Thoubal.	

8	Long-tailed broadbill	<i>Psarisomus dalhousiae</i>	Muk-laang mei-saang, Liangmei	Least concern	Churachandpur, Chandel, Senapati, Tamenglong and Ukhrul	
9	Black Bittern	<i>Dupetor flavicollis</i>	Ho-ngai amu-bi	Least concern	Bishnupur, Imphal west and Thoubal.	
10	Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	U-rok, U-rok san-dung-il	Least concern	Bishnupur, Imphal east, Imphal west, Jiribam, Churachandpur, Chandel, Ukhrul and Thoubal.	
11	Black crowned Night heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	Chong-khu	Least concern	Bishnupur, Imphal East, Imphal West, Churachandpur and Thoubal	
12	Greater coucal	<i>Centropus sinensis</i>	Nong-gou-bi, Nong-koubi achouba, Khupaha, Salam, But-but	Least concern	Bishnupur and Imphal east.	

13	Common kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	Tui-pute, Nga-raak-pi-sang-ban	Least concern	Ukhrul, Bishnupur, Imphal east, Imphal west, Jiribam, Churachandpur, Chandel, Senapati, Tamenglong and Thoubal.	
14	Great pied hornbill	<i>Buceros bicornis</i>	Piarang, Pako-pa, Lang-meirel, Phualpi, etc.	Vulnerable	Churachandpur, Chandel, Ukhrul and Tamenglong.	