Raptor Indonesia [RAIN] Raptor Watch Report Preliminary Survey on Spring Migration in Mount Ciremai National Park Kuningan, West Java, Indonesia. 5 March – 5 April 2014

Summary Report



Japanese Sparrowhawk at Cibeureum Forest, 240314 by AAP

Study area

The preliminary study area was along the eastern part of the mountains of the park, which is administratively in the District of Kuningan, West Java. The study site covered approximately 20 km along the eastern part of the park, with the distances covered for each observation point ranging from 3-5 km. Observation sites were located on ridges, small hills and in open areas with unrestricted views, especially to the east.

The Cibeureum forested area at Cilimus is the main watch site, with the following being the other watch sites:

- a) Batu Luhur forested area in Resort Pasawahan in the north of the park
- b) Kertasari in Darma in the south of the park
- c) Sigedong at Mandirancan
- d) Resort Jalaksana
- e) Sukageri at Cigugur

Species Count

A total of 2,124 migratory raptors were counted crossing over several locations along the eastern part of the park during the period from 5 March - 5 April of the 2014 spring season. At least seven migratory raptor species were recorded crossing over the observation points. Chinese Goshawk (*Accipiter soloensis*), with a total of 1,498 individuals, was the most counted species and was seen at almost all the observation points along the park. It is suggested that the 320 unidentified accipiters recorded are also of this species and/or Japanese Sparrowhawk (*Accipiter gularis*), both of which are often seen flocking together. Following these are the Oriental Honey Buzzard (*Pernis ptilorhychus*) with 261 individuals.

Table 1. Total species counted at observation sites in Gunung Ciremai National Park during spring migration season (5 March- 5 April 2014).

No	Species Name		Location						
	English Name	Scientific Name	Pasawahan	Mandirancan	Cilimus	Jalaksana	Cigugur	Darma	Total
1	Osprey	Pandion haliaetus					1		1
2	Oriental Honey Buzzard	Pernis ptilorhyncus	20	57	142	15	14	13	261
3	Chinese Goshawk	Accipiter soloensis	123	44	1231	46	16	38	1498
4	Japanese Sparrowhawk	Accipiter gularis	1	3	27		6	2	39
5	Grey - faced Buzzard	Butastur indicus	1		1				2
6	Eurasian Hobby	Falco subbuteo			1				1
7	Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus	1					1	2
8	Accipiter sp			20	1	60	150	89	320
		146	124	1403	121	187	143	2124	

Resident raptors

At least six resident raptors was record in national park following Crested Honey Buzzard javan race (*Pernis ptilorhyncus ptilorhyncus*), Crested Serpent Eagle, Indian Black Eagle, Changeable Hawk Eagle with 4 active nest, Javan Hawk Eagle and Spotted Kestrel.

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Osprey at Cigugur Resort 260314 by Asman Adi Purwanto



Chinese Goshawk it's Female (left) and Male (Right) was photograps at Cibeureum Camping Ground area in early morning by Asman Adi Purwanto 279314