



BASIC COURSE IN ORNITHOLOGY 2019-2020

Conducted by BNHS CEC, Mumbai

BNHS CEC is happy to announce the admissions for Basic Course in Ornithology (BCO) for the year 2019-2020. The course includes inaugural and wrap-up sessions, field visits around Mumbai and field camps to various bird habitats across India.

Highlights of the course:

- An online hybrid course
- Duration is 11 months (June 2019 to April 2020)
- Study material cover basics of ornithology (in India)
- Project work
- Field camps and field visits
- Certificate from BNHS after successful completion
- Course leader: Dr. Raju Kasambe, Ornithologist, Assistant Director – Education, CEC, Mumbai

Who can enroll?

- Anyone with an interest in birds
- Basic qualification is Class 10 (any board)

What are the course deliverables?

The course includes extensive notes, field visits with experts and online assignments. A detailed break-up of the course deliverables is as follows:

- **Chapters:** Every month one chapter, written by BNHS experts, is emailed to the participants. Chapters cover various topics such as introduction to birds, their evolution, morphology, anatomy, physiology, food and feeding habits, history of Indian ornithology and bird conservation.
- **Field visits and reports:** A total of eight half-day field visits will be conducted to various wildlife habitats near Mumbai during the course duration, out of which three are compulsory. A brief report on each field visit must be submitted as part of the monthly assignment submission document. Participants staying away from Mumbai (in other parts of Maharashtra or in other states) can instead visit a similar habitat near their location, on their own.
- **Field camps and reports:** One inaugural session, one wrap-up session and two field camps will be organized. Field camps are conducted at various biodiversity habitats across India. Participants are required to attend both the field camps and the inaugural session. After each camp/session, a report must be submitted as part of the monthly assignment submission document.



- **Project work:** This is an integral part of the course and involves submitting a project report every month. Every project will focus on a theme and the report will be based on the relevant observations/study in one's selected locality. The final project report and the presentation at the end of the year will be an amalgamation of the monthly reports and a practical action plan for one's locality.

What is the course fee?

The course fee is **Rs. 12,000/-** which includes BNHS expertise and refreshments in the inaugural and wrap-up camps. The field camps at other locations are charged separately.

How to Register?

-For registration click on:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfZMjFNeO3iPVJNylVtFtDcW9EkbPff_2krL28j0VyxJI7p5w/viewform?usp=pp_url

(Kindly note that it is compulsory to fill the online Google registration form)

-Or scan the QR code given below for the registration form:



For any further query mail us at 'ornithology@bnhs.org' or

Call on 09594953425 or +912228429477 (Monday to Friday 10:00 am to 05:30 pm)

Last date for registration is 15th April 2019 (Limited seats available).