## **APPENDIX 1**

TABLE AI

Records of seabirds and nesting colonies along with counting methods in Pitti Island,
Lakshadweep.

Time of study	Species recorded <sup>a</sup>	Population estimate	Presence of nesting activity	Source	Counting methods
October 1963	SOTE, BRNO, GRCT	20 000	Yes	Mathew <i>et al</i> . 1996	Colony counts
February 1978	Not available	12 000	Yes	Mathew <i>et al</i> . 1996	Colony counts
December 1988	Not available	13 000- 15 000	Yes	Mathew <i>et al</i> . 1996	Colony counts
May 1990	SOTE,BRNO	4 000	Yes	Mathew <i>et al</i> . 1996	Colony counts
February 1991	SOTE, BRNO, GRCT	2 000	No	Mathew <i>et al</i> . 1996	Colony counts
April 1991	SOTE, BRNO	8 000	Yes	Mathew <i>et al</i> . 1996	Colony counts
March 2006	SOTE, BRNO, LECT, GRCT	16 360	Yes	Pande <i>et al</i> . 2007	Counts are made from a boat without direct landing on island
February 2013	SOTE, BRNO, GRCT	1 025	Yes	Current study	Colony counts
March 2013	SOTE, BRNO, GRCT	4 750	Yes	Current study	Colony counts
February 2014	SOTE, BRNO, GRCT	970	Yes	Current study	Colony counts

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Abbreviations: SOTE is Sooty Tern; BRNO is Brown Noddy; GRCT is Greater Crested Tern; LECT is Lesser Crested Tern; NA – not available.