

APPENDIX

TABLE A1

Details of stopover sites and rest stops used by migrating Brown-headed Gulls *Chroicocephalus brunnicephalus* ($n = 2$) tagged in Mannar Island, Sri Lanka, during 2021–2022 period ^a

Individual	Year	Migration episode	Type of the stop (Stopover/rest stop)	Duration of the stop		Location	GPS coordinates
				(days)	(hours)		
BHGU1	2021	Northward	Rest stop 1	-	8	Point Calimere, Tamil Nadu, India	10°17'45"N, 79°48'56"E
			Rest stop 2	-	10	Ganrel Reservoir, Chhattisgarh, India	20°34'12"N, 81°32'23"E
			Rest stop 3	-	42	Ganges River, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India	25°22'49"N, 83°10'44"E
			Rest stop 4	-	6	Pozi Co Lake, Shigatse, Tibet, China	30°30'13"N, 86°7'13"E
		Southward ^b	Rest stop 1	-	40	Angrenjin Co Lake, Shigatse, Tibet, China	29°18'15"N, 87°12'20"E
			Rest stop 2	-	14	near Peng Qu River, Shigatse, Tibet, China	28°29'36"N, 87°27'38"E
BHGU2	2022	Northward	Rest stop 1	-	8	Godavari River mouth, Andhra Pradesh, India	16°37'24"N, 81°51'25"E
			Rest stop 2	-	15	Ganges River, Munger, Bihar, India	25°20'29"N, 86°34'9"E
			Rest stop 3	-	17	Ganges River, Patna, Bihar, India	25°42'40"N, 84°51'57"E
			Rest stop 4	-	6	Yarlung Zangbo River, Shigatse, Tibet, China	29°20'45"N, 88°8'8"E
			Rest stop 5	-	15	a small glacial lake in Nagqu, Tibet, China	30°23'23"N, 89°25'1"E
		Southward ^c	Stopover 1	8	192	Alibag beach, Maharashtra, India	18°37'18"N, 72°53'24"E
			Stopover 2	5	120	Kali River estuary, Karnataka, India	14°50'23"N, 74° 8'41"E

^a Details of any potential rest stops made by BHGU2 during its 2023 northward migration could not be inferred due to the infrequent positioning data collected during that period.

^b BHGU1 initiated its southward migration in 2021 but did not complete it; the transmission ceased north of the Himalayas. Thus, the details of stopovers/rest stops presented here remain incomplete.

^c Due to the infrequent positioning of base station data (17 h on average), it is likely that we have missed some of the rest stops made by BHGU2 during its southward migration.