



PHASE 1 REPORT

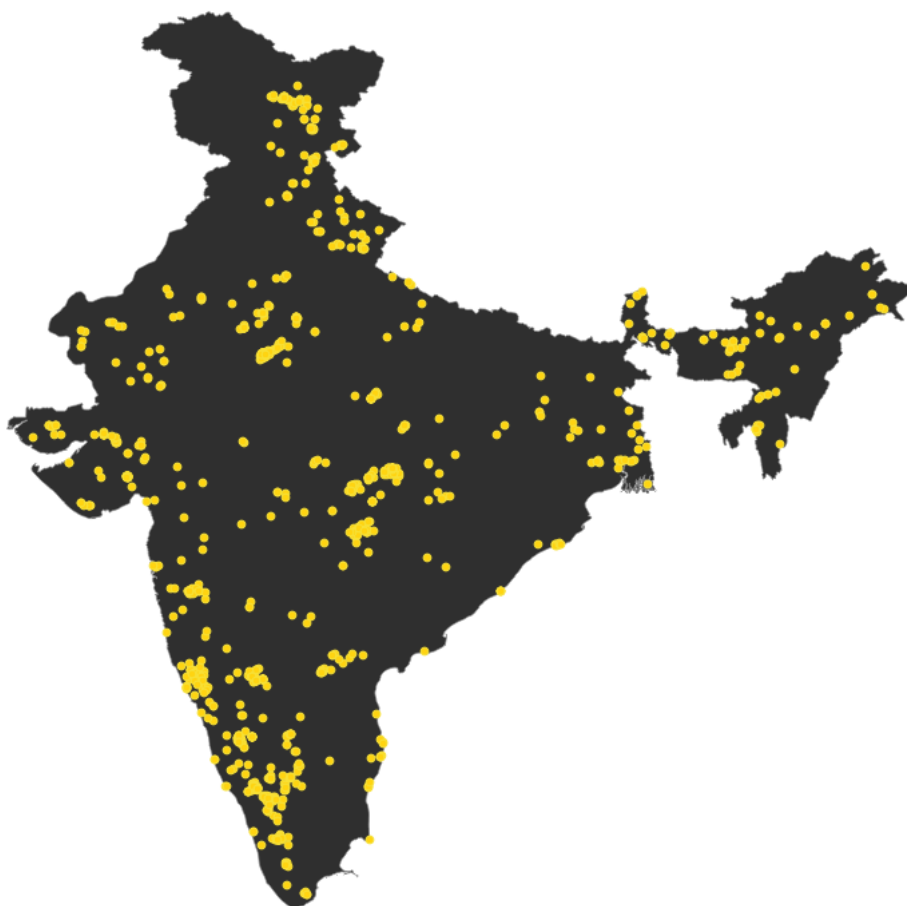
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Wild Canids – India Project (WCIP) is an initiative to undertake ecological and conservation assessments of wild canids (and hyenas) in India. The project focuses on **Dhole, Golden jackal, Indian wolf, Tibetan/Himalayan wolf, Indian fox, Red fox, Desert fox, Tibetan fox** and **Striped hyena**.

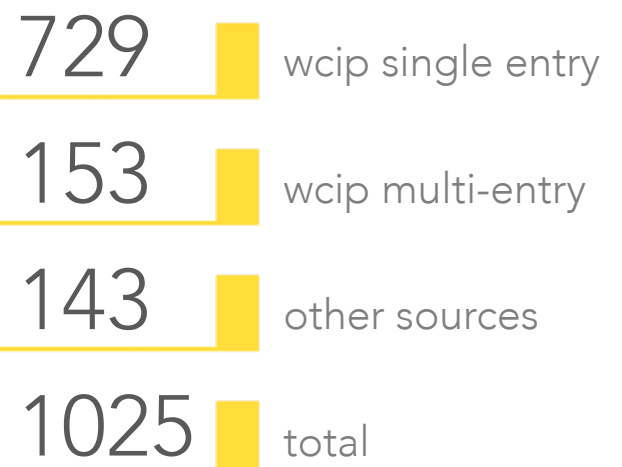
The project is being implemented in multiple phases. Phase 1 included a citizen-science component, where citizens self-reported sightings/records of these species through an online survey. We ran the survey for 3 months: 1 October to 31 December 2018. This report summarizes results from Phase 1 of WCIP.

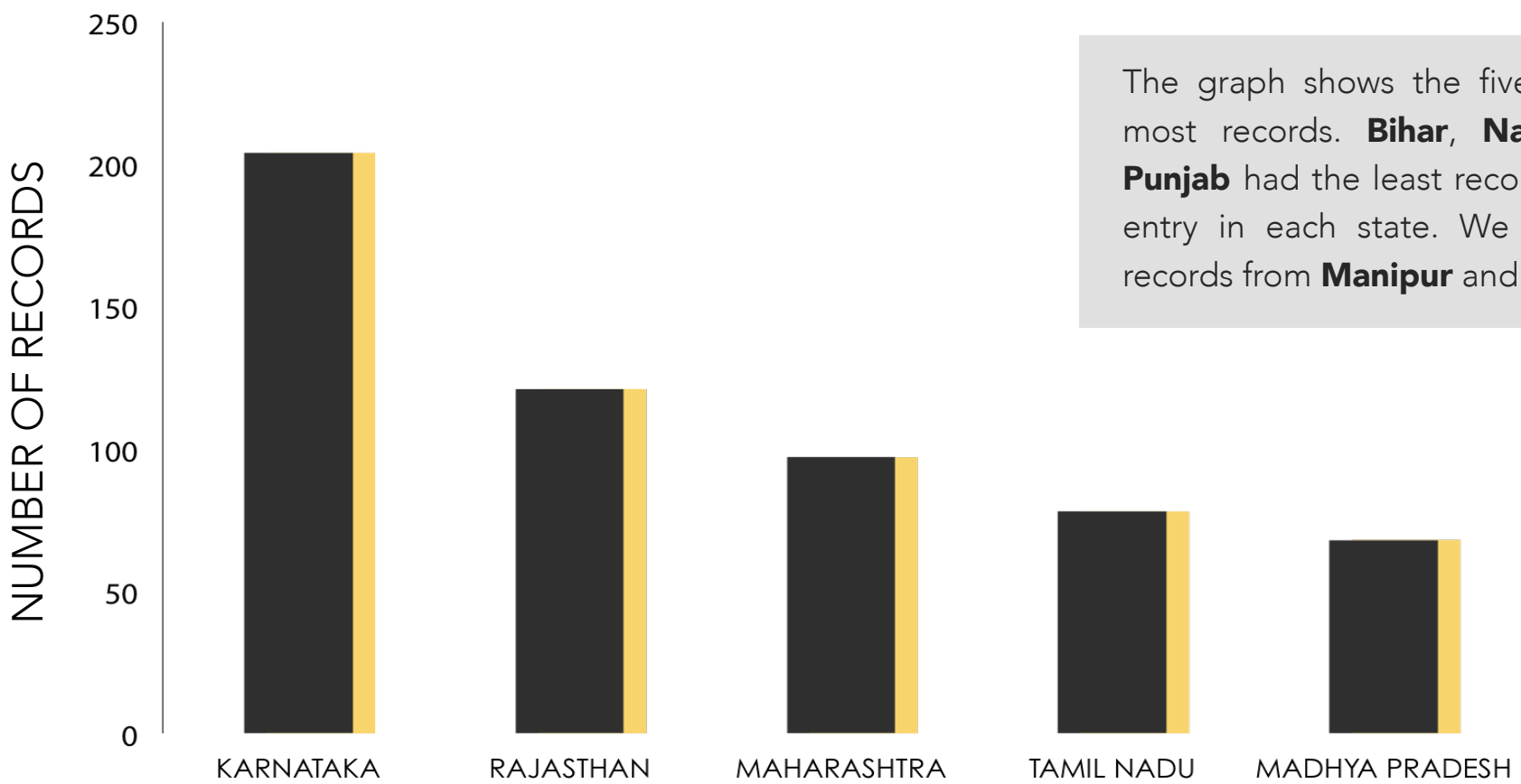
916 records **27** states **315** respondents

We received a total of **916** records, of which **882** records were considered after verification/validation. In addition to records received through our survey, we also compiled information from other citizen-science platforms: iNaturalist, India Biodiversity Portal and Mammals of India.



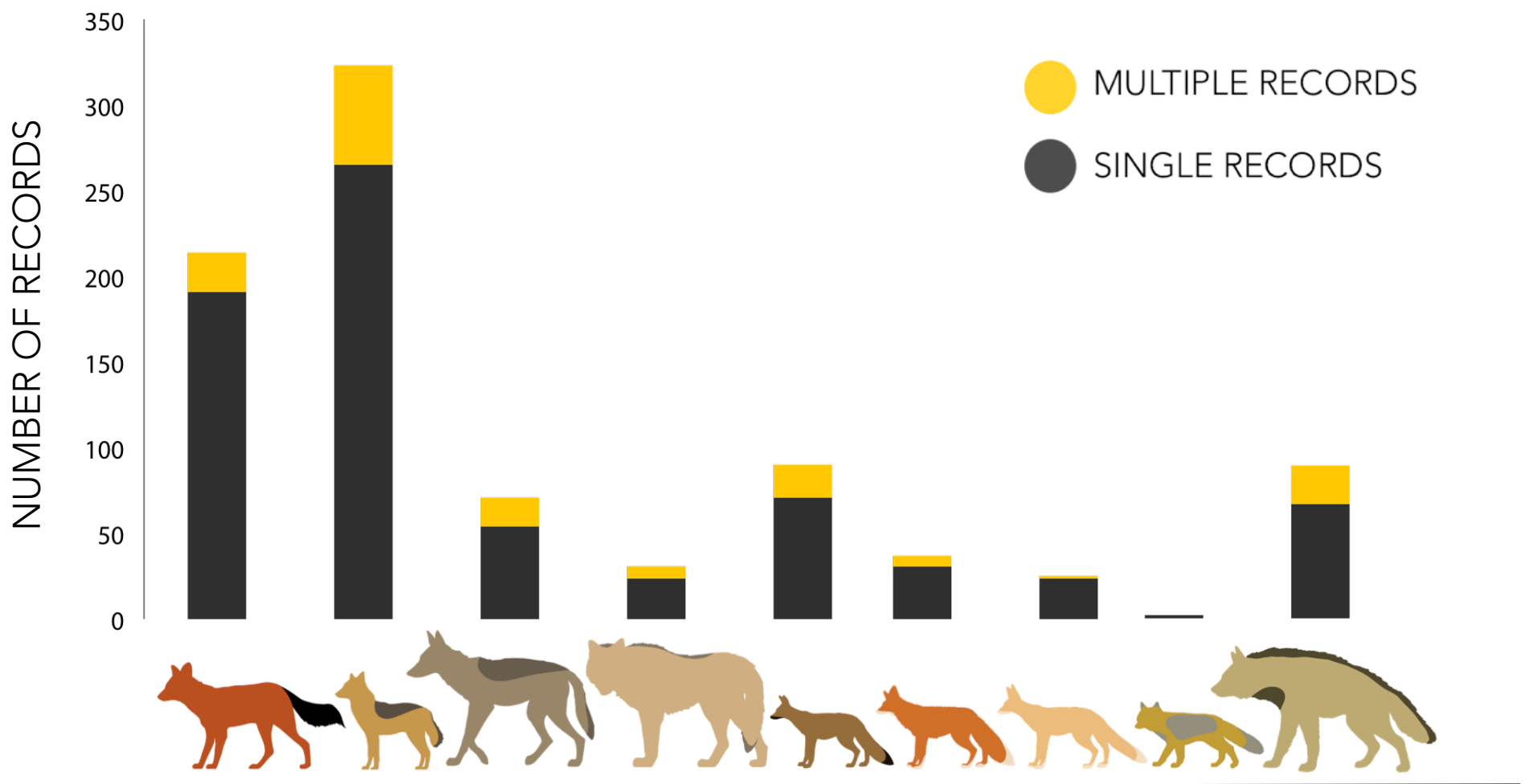
The map shows distribution of all species records from all sources: WCIP single entry and multi-entry, iNaturalist, India Biodiversity Portal and Mammals of India.





The graph shows the five states with most records. **Bihar**, **Nagaland** and **Punjab** had the least records, with one entry in each state. We received no records from **Manipur** and **Tripura**.

Karnataka had the highest number of records for **dhole**, **jackal** and **Indian fox**. Most records of **desert fox** and **hyena** came from **Rajasthan**. **Indian wolf** topped the list in **Maharashtra**, while **Jammu Kashmir** had the highest **red fox** and **Tibetan wolf** records.



We are extremely grateful to all the people who took part in the survey, pro-actively worked with us, and helped spread the word on social media. We thank **Nature in Focus**, **Conservation India** and **Green Humour** for their support. Our website (www.wildcanids.net) will remain active with exciting project updates, species assessments and blog articles. We hope all our supporters continue to engage with us as we move forward.

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