



PHASE 2 REPORT

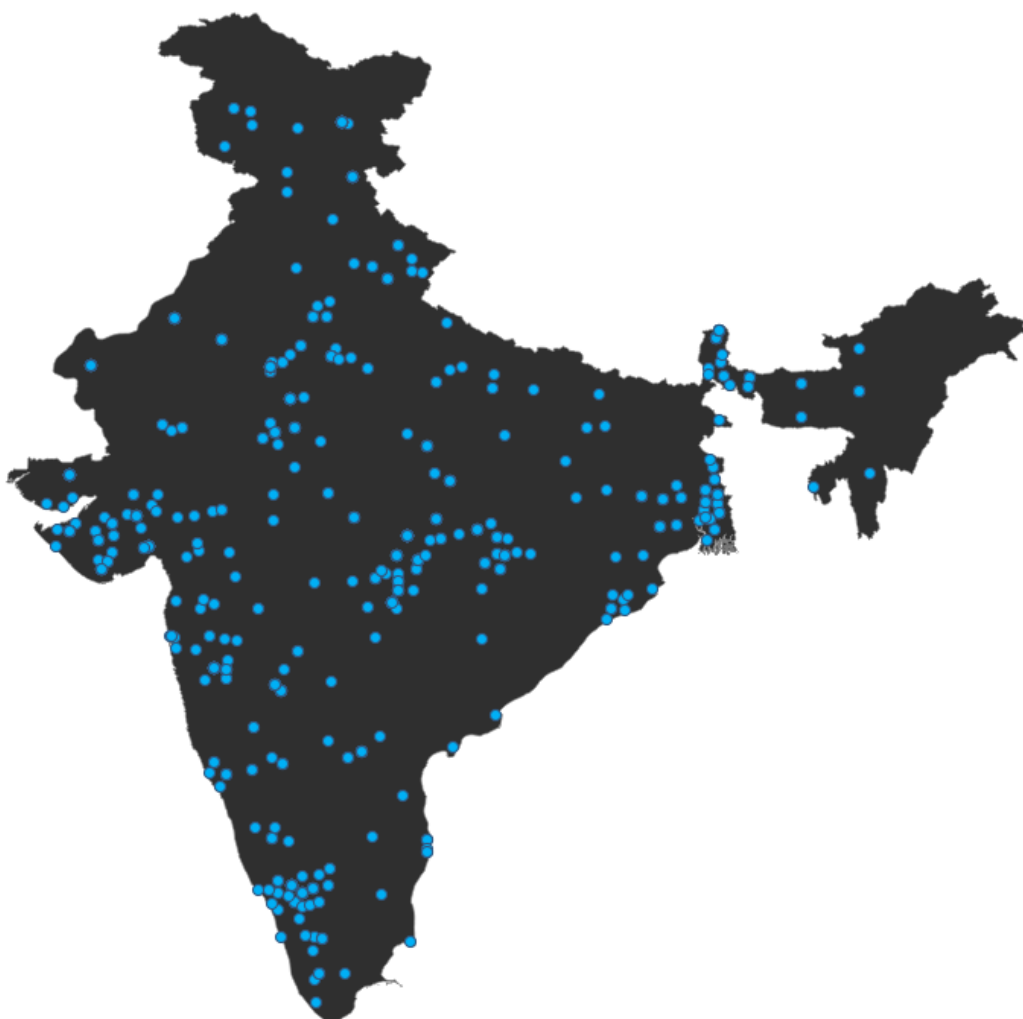
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Wild Canids – India Project (WCIP) is an initiative to undertake ecological and conservation assessments of wild canids (and hyenas) in India. The project focuses on **Dhole, Golden jackal, Indian wolf, Tibetan/Himalayan wolf, Indian fox, Red fox,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

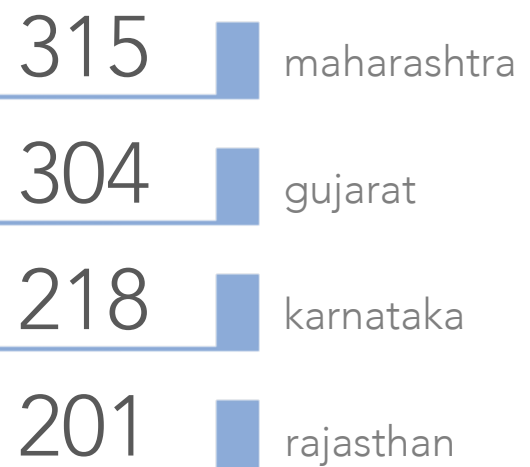
The project is being implemented in multiple phases. In Phase 2 of the project, we carried out web-based searches for the target species. We relied on social media outlets (**facebook, Instagram, YouTube**) and nature/wildlife photo repositories (**Nature In Focus, India Nature Watch, Flickr**), along with other reliable blogs or photo-blogs. This report summarizes results from Phase 2 of WCIP.

1622 records **27** states **22** sources

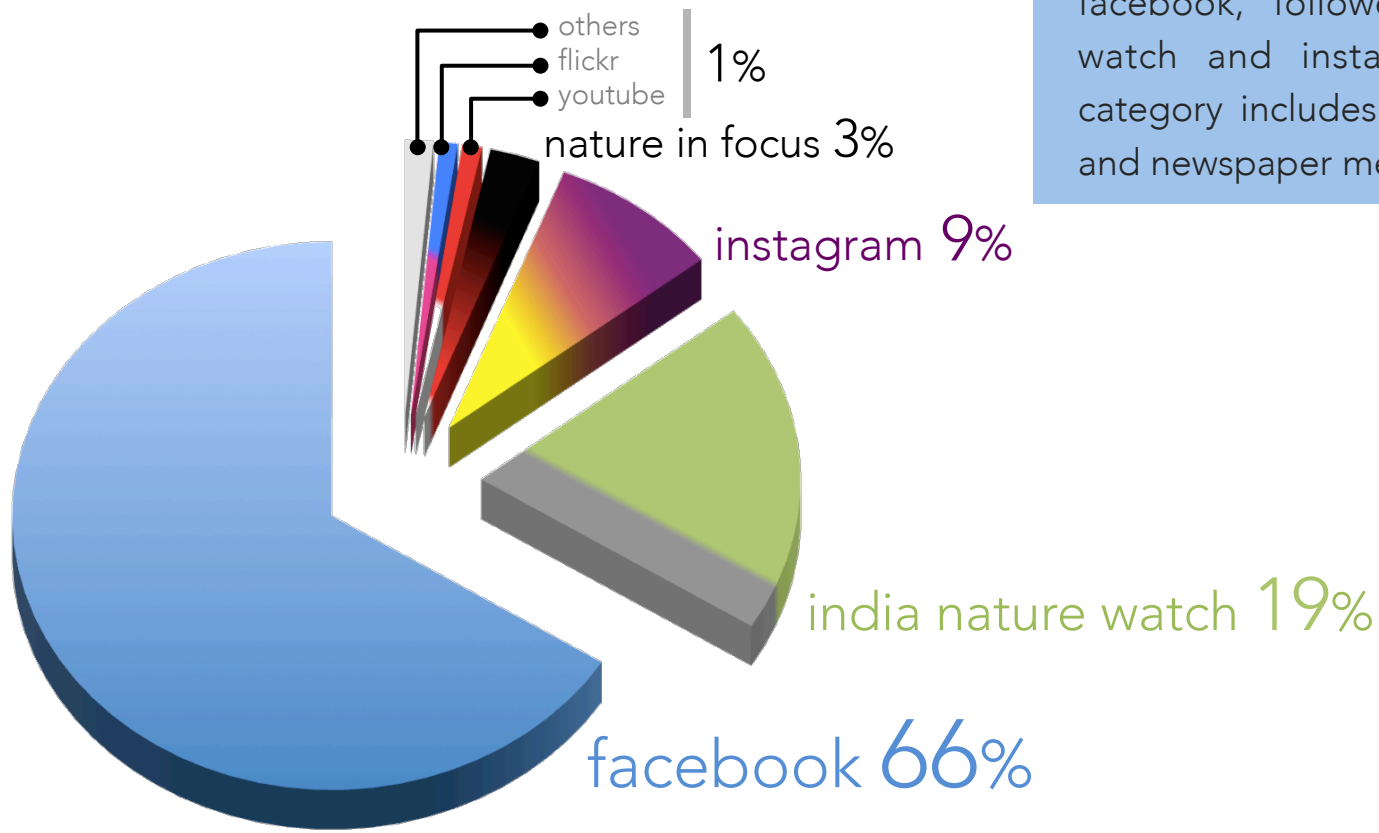
From 18 November 2018 to 8 January 2019, we collated a total of **1622** records of the target species for which month/year and location information was available. We narrowed down locations only up to the **taluk level**. Our database now includes presence records from **273 taluks**.



The map shows distribution of all species records collated as part of WCIP Phase 2. The points represent centres of *taluks* from where species were recorded.

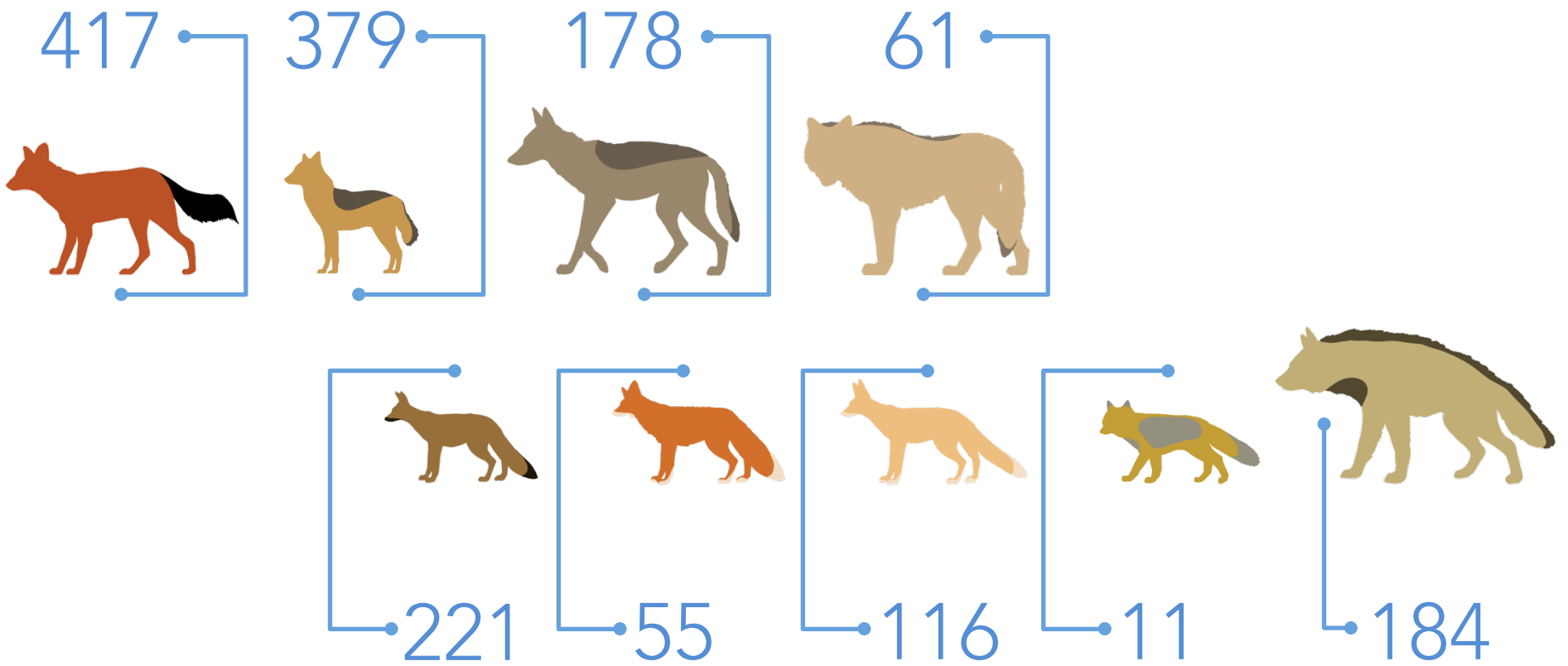


percentage of records



Most records were sourced from facebook, followed by india nature watch and instagram. The 'others' category includes reliable web portals and newspaper media reports.

number of records



Data from Phase 2 of WCIP complements records received through our citizen-science initiative in Phase 1 of the project. We acknowledge and commend the hard work of our project interns, **Ms. Malaika Mathew Chawla** and **Mr. Aditya Banerjee**, who tirelessly trawled through social media and other online platforms to compile the data for WCIP Phase 2.

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