

Table 4 Population of breeding species in Nakhiloo, 2008-2012 and 1975

Breeding Species	Scott 1975 pairs	2008 pairs	2009 pairs	2010 pairs	2011 pairs	2012 pairs
Western Reef Heron <i>Egretta gularis</i>	0	8	34	44	74	92
Crab Plover <i>Droma ardeola</i>	0	0	0	0	2,500	2,266
Saunders's Tern <i>Sterna saundersi</i>	4	0	0	3	2	0
White-checked Tern <i>Sterna repressa</i>	170	74	59	67	0	26
Bridled Tern <i>Sterna anaethetus</i>	15,000	0	22,189	29,461	17,500	17,052
Swift Tern <i>Sterna bergii</i>	40	204	1,302	1,008	1,200	1,488
Lesser Crested Tern <i>Sterna bengalensis</i>	1,000	0	15,054	10,169	17,500	17,783
Total	16,214	15,340	33,753	43,982	38,835	38,707