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Report on Nesting sight of Indian Skimmer at Salipur, Cuttack, Odisha

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A beautiful morning always gives some unforgettable charm with grace of Lord Jagannath on the 7th may 2019. I (D. Routray) was wondering near Chitroptala river in morning with Sweta Mishra and Dr Sanjeet Kumar for documenting the flora of Odisha, suddenly “Saheb-Bibi-Gulam” (a group of Indian Skimmers) came to us to give flying kiss. We all became very happy to see them and started to follow and finally we got their nesting sites. It is the first report for Salepur, Cuttack and third nesting sites for the state of Odisha. Indian Skimmer, a vulnerable species and their nesting sites are limited throughout the world. Hence, this report is very important for the conservation of this species. It was observed that, cyclone FANI created lots of loss and all nests are destroyed. The associate floras and avifauna are also facing the impact of cyclone. Therefore, there is urgent need to restore these third nesting sites of the state for next breeding periods in 2020.