Short Communication

Second Report of Oriental White-eye *Zosterops palpebrosus* in Iran
at Khoor-e Khalasi, Jask, Hormozgan, Southern Iran

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I learnt of an observation on 14 May 1978 of a large flock of the Oriental White-eye *Zosterops palpebrosus* on mangrove trees near Jask (M.C. Jennings, pers. comm.) that had been published (Reynolds 1978).

Prior to this event, Dr Derek Scott had advised the BirdLife International that the species occurred in Iran. No reference since Scott *et al.* (1975) listed this species as an Iranian bird (e.g. Firouz 1999, Mansoori 2001, Scott 2002).

Recently, the species was recorded in almost the same place, when four birds were observed at Khoor-e Khalasi, east of Jask in late July 2005, constituting the second observation of Oriental White-eye in Iran.

REFERENCES


Figure 1-2. The Oriental White-eye observed on mangrove tree, Khor Khalasi, east of Jask, Hormozgan, the end June 2005 (Photo by the late Nader Hamidi).