Breed Descriptor of Malpura (Sheep)

Male	Female

Breeding Tract			
State: Rajasthan	Tonk		
	Jaipur		
	Ajmer		
Location			
Longitude (deg.)	74.42 - 75.52		
Latitude (deg.)	25.21 - 26.55		
General Information			
Synonyms	Malpuri		
Origin	The name is derived from the home tract -Malpura taluka.		
Major utility	Fibre - Wool; Food - Meat		
Comments on utility	Wool is extremely coarse and used for making felts and coarse carpets. Ewes yield good quantity of milk (400 g) and farmers milk them when the lambs are weaned after 2-3 months of age.		
Comments on breeding tract			
Adaptability to environment			
Population			
	Year	Population	Other information
	1995	941000	Source: Sheep Genetic Resource of India - Malpura, Monograph No.48, NBAGR, Karnal.
	2013	245251	Source: Estimated Livestock Population Breed Wise Based on Breed Survey 2013. Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Government of India, New Delhi

Management			
Management system	Extensive		
Mobility	Stationary		
Feeding of adults	Grazing		
Comments on Management			
Morphology			
Colour	Face colour is light brown extending up to the neck. Fleece is white.		
Horn shape and size	Both polled.		
Visible characteristics	Nose is typically roman. Ears are short and tubular with a small cartilaginous appendage. Fleece is extremely coarse hairy and open. Belly and legs are devoid of wool.		
	Male	Female	Overall
Height (avg. cm.)	71.93	64.04	
Body Length (avg. cm.)	72.12	63.91	
Heart girth (avg. cm.)	83.62	70.11	
Body weight (avg. kg.)	41.57	24.28	
Birth weight (avg. kg.)			3.3
Performance			
	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Litter size born	1.0		
Age at first parturition (months)	33.0		
Parturition interval (months)	12.2		
Fleece weight (kg/year)	1.08	0.6	1.3
Staple length (cm)		7.0	10.0
Fibre Diameter (Âµ)	43.0		
Dressing percentage	45.0		
Any Peculiarity of the breed	Malpura is an excellent mutton breed of northwestern semiarid region of India		