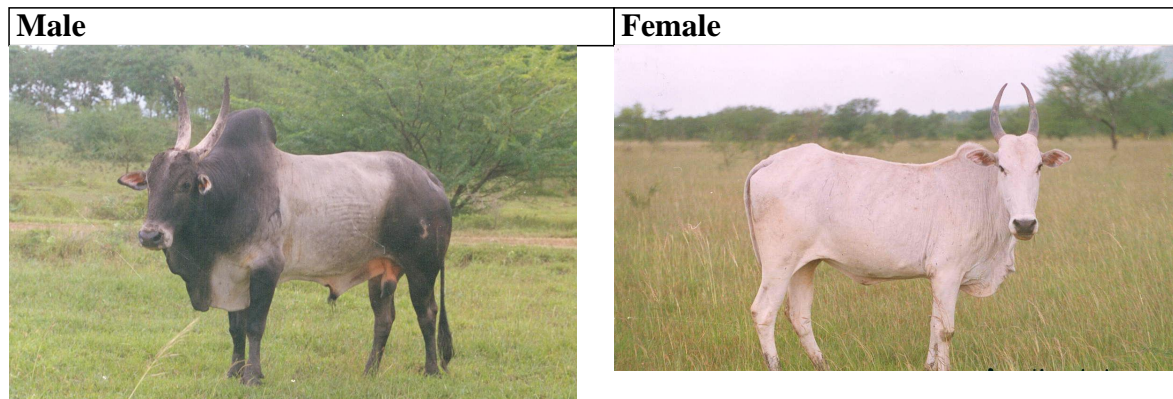


Breed Descriptor of Amritmahal (Cattle)



Breeding Tract			
State: Karnataka	Davanagere		
	Tumkur		
	Shimoga		
	Hassan		
	Chitradurga		
	Chikmagalur		
Location			
Longitude (deg.)	74.4 - 78.4		
Latitude (deg.)	11.36 - 15.		
General Information			
Synonyms	Doddadana, Jawari Dana, Number Dana		
Origin	Originated from a herd established by the ruler of Mysore state between 1572 and 1636 A D. Amrit means milk and Mahal means house; the breed was developed from draft breed of southern India with an objective to increase the milk productivity.		
Major utility	Work - Transport and Draught		
Comments on utility	Famous draught breed known for its power and endurance. Animals are fiery and active. Bullocks are specially suited for trotting and quick transportation.		
Comments on breeding tract			
Adaptability to environment			
Population			
	Year	Population	Other information
	1997	71159	Livestock Census, Karnataka
	2001	108197	Source: Network Project of NBAGR, BAIF, Pune

	2013	105343	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	Animals are kept in open all the time. Trees are the only source of protection from sun and rain.This weeds out the weak animals automatically. Herd size is small.Various crops are grown in black soil. In North, cotton, millets, sorghum and oilseeds are extensively grown. In South, sugarcane and paddy are grown.		
Morphology			
Colour	Grey, but varies from white to almost black. White grey markings are present on face and dewlap in some animals. Dark shades on neck, shoulder, hump and hind quarters.		
Horn shape and size	Horns are long. Emerge from the top of the poll fairly close together in backward and upward direction, turn in and end in sharp black points - sometime touching each other.		
Visible characteristics	Long head tapering towards muzzle; long horns.		
	Male	Female	Overall
Height (avg. cm.)	132.7	126.0	
Body Length (avg. cm.)	134.1	133.6	
Heart girth (avg. cm.)	156.0	149.4	
Body weight (avg. kg.)	500.0	318.0	
Birth weight (avg. kg.)	20.8	19.9	
Performance			
	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Age at first parturition (months)	50.65	36.0	72.0
Parturition interval (months)	14.14	12.0	22.0
Milk yield per lactation (kg)	572.0		
Any Peculiarity of the breed			