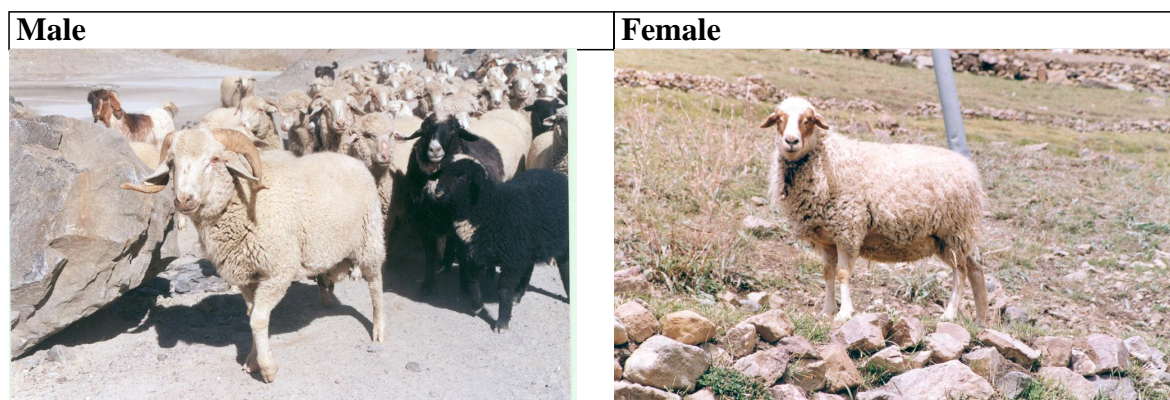


## Breed Descriptor of Gaddi (Sheep)



Breeding Tract			
State: Himachal Pradesh	Lahul & Spiti		
	Kullu		
	Kangra		
	Chamba		
	Bilaspur		
Location			
Longitude (deg.)	74.54 - 76.20		
Latitude (deg.)	31.50 - 32.43		
General Information			
Synonyms	Bhadarwah, Chamba Gaddi and Kashmiri		
Origin	The breed derives its name from the Gaddi tribes maintaining these animals.		
Major utility	Fibre - Wool ; Food - Meat		
Comments on utility			
Comments on breeding tract			
Adaptability to environment			
Population			
	Year	Population	Other information
	2004	1100000	Source: Proceedings National Symposium on Livestock Biodiversity vis-à-vis resource exploitation. 2004, NBAGR, Karnal, pp184

	2013	295010	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 & Transhumant			
Feeding of adults	Grazing			
Comments on Management				
Morphology				
Colour	Usually white although tan, brown and black and mixtures of these are also seen			
Horn shape and size	Present in both sexes. Curved, medium sized in rams (18.5cm) and small in females (6.4cm).			
Visible characteristics	Medium sized animals. The ears are small. Fleece is relatively fine and dense			
	Male	Female	Overall	
Height (avg. cm.)	59.05	57.83		
Body Length (avg. cm.)	70.41	69.52		
Heart girth (avg. cm.)	67.97	65.9		
Body weight (avg. kg.)		26.59		
Birth weight (avg. kg.)	3.41	3.16		
Performance				
	Average	Minimum	Maximum	
Litter size born	1.0			
Age at first parturition (months)	23.75			
Parturition interval (months)	12.33			
Fleece weight (kg/year)		1.0	1.5	
Staple length (cm)	5.7			
Fibre Diameter (Åμ)	28.52			
Any Peculiarity of the breed				