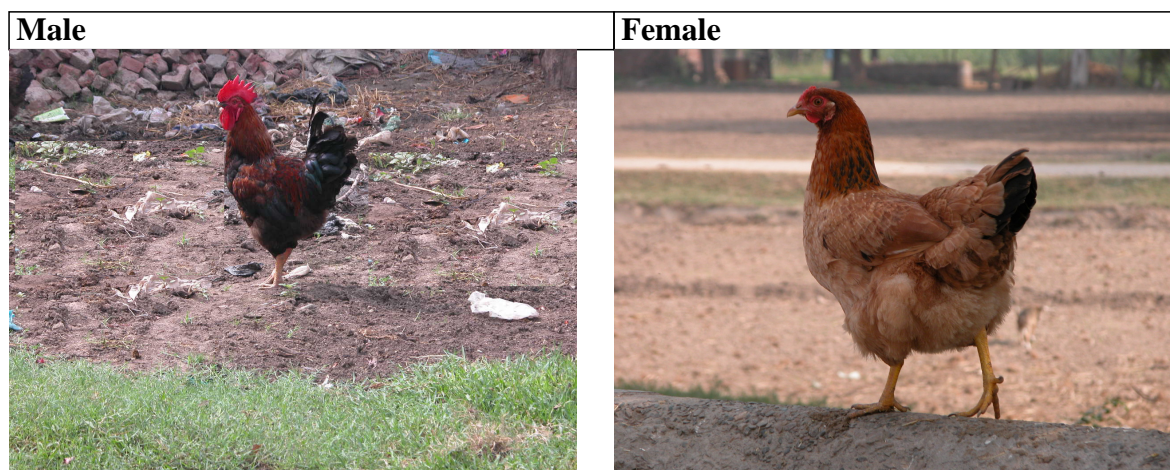


Breed Descriptor of Punjab Brown (Poultry-Fowl)



Breeding Tract			
State: Haryana	Haryana		
State: Punjab	Punjab		
Location			
Longitude (deg.)	. - .		
Latitude (deg.)	. - .		
General Information			
Synonyms	Desi		
Origin	The breed seems to have taken its name from its native tract (Punjab) and its colour (Brown).		
Major utility	Food - meat, eggs		
Comments on utility	In Punjab, the progressive farmers keep these birds for home consumption, while the poor farmers sell live birds/chicks and eggs to earn livelihood. In Haryana, mostly these are maintained as cash reserve by few low-income families located in one part of the village.		
Comments on breeding tract			
Adaptability to environment			
Population			
	Year	Population	Other information
Management			
Management system	Backyard		
Mobility	Stationary		
Feeding of adults	Scavenging		

Comments on Management	Number of birds per household mostly varied from 3 to 15. Shelter is provided mostly during night. Chicks are kept under a basket made up of bamboo sticks. Birds are set free in the morning and scavenge the whole day in the vicinity of house of the farmer. Farmers feed whole grains (wheat, broken rice, etc.) in morning and evening only. Kitchen waste is fed to the birds in a routine manner. Eggs for hatching are put on paddy husk on floor or in a basket. The broody hen is made to sit on the eggs, and then it is covered with a basket. During the hatching period of 21 - 22 days, the hen is regularly fed grains and water. Birds are not vaccinated against any disease.		
Morphology			
	Male	Female	Overall
Adult weight(avg. kg)	2.149	1.567	
Plumage type	Normal		
Plumage pattern	Solid		
Plumage colour	Brown		
Comb type	Single		
Skin colour	White		
Shank colour	Yellow		
Egg shell colour	Brown		
Visible character	Plumage pattern is sometimes spotted or striped. Males in particular have black spots/stripes. Ear lobes are mostly brown. Wattles are red, large sized in males and small in females. Eye ring is red. Comb is red, and erect in position. Beak is yellow.		
Performance			
	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Age at first egg (months)		5.0	6.0
Clutch size (days)		4.0	5.0
Annual eggs production (avg. no.)		60.0	80.0
Eggs weight (avg. gm)	46.0	35.0	55.0
Hatching (%)		60.0	80.0
Any Peculiarity of the breed			