Breed Descriptor of Gaddi (Goat)





Breeding Tract				
State: Himachal Pradesh	Shimla			
	Kullu			
	Kangra			
	Chamba			
State: Jammu & Kashmir	Jammu			
Location				
Longitude (deg.)	76.10 - 78.0			
Latitude (deg.)	31.06 - 33.5			
General Information				
Synonyms	Chamba, Gadderan, Gadhairun, Kangra valley, White			
	Himalaya.			
Origin	Name after the Gaddi tribe rearing these animals			
Major utility	Food - Meat; Fibre - Hair; Work - Pack.			
Comments on utility				
Comments on breeding				
tract				
Adaptability to environment	Adapted to migrartory system. Firm footed animals, can transport upto 8.0 kg merchandise.			
Population				
	Year	Population	Other information	
	2013	363872	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	Transhumant			
Feeding of adults	Grazing			
Comments on Management				

Morphology				
Colour	White is dominant colour. Black coloured animals are			
	also present.			
Horn shape and size	Directed upward and backward and occationally			
	twisted. Horns are long in size.			
Visible characteristics		in is very tough, covered with coarse long hair		
	measuring 17 to 25 cm. Ears are drooping and pointed			
	(12 cm).			
	Male	Female	Overall	
Height (avg. cm.)	66.23	64.69		
Body Length (avg. cm.)	65.12	63.2		
Heart girth (avg. cm.)	70.3	68.31		
Body weight (avg. kg.)	28.0	23.4		
Birth weight (avg. kg.)	3.41	3.14		
Performance			•	
	Average	Minimum	Maximum	
Litter size born	1.2			
Age at first parturition		54.0	57.0	
(months)				
Milk yield per lactation (kg)	52.5			
Milk Fat (%)	5.21			
Fleece weight (kg/year)	0.3			
Fibre Diameter (µ)	74.5			
Any Peculiarity of the breed	During summer, Gaddi goats move to higher altitudes			
	where lush green grass is available.			