Breed Descriptor of Zanskari (Horse)





Breeding Tract					
State: Jammu & Kashmir	Ladakh				
	Leh				
Location					
Longitude (deg.)	77.4 - 80.				
Latitude (deg.)	33.5 35.				
General Information					
Synonyms					
Origin					
Major utility	Work - draught, game (polo)	transport and ridi	ng; Socio-cultural -		
Comments on utility	•	noven for their has	rdiness and ability to		
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Comments on breeding	work at mgn alth	luuc			
tract					
Adaptability to environment	Adapted to cold arid region				
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Population					
	Year	Population	Other information		
	2013	9702	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	Semi-Intensive				
Mobility	Stationary				
Feeding of adults	Grazing, Fodder	and Concentrate			
Comments on Management					
Morphology					
Colour	Common body c	olours are grey, b	lack and copper.		

Horn shape and size					
Visible characteristics	The animals are alert, well built, medium in size, have				
	wide face, uni	wide face, uniform gait and predominant eyes. Tail is			
	long and heav	long and heavy almost touching the ground. Body hairs			
	are fine, gloss	are fine, glossy and long.			
	Male	Female	Overall		
Height (avg. cm.)	147.0	132.0			
Performance	•		•		
	Average	Minimum	Maximum		
Any Peculiarity of the breed	ed The breed is	The breed is on the verge of extinction as only few			
	hundred horse	hundred horses are present in the Zanskar and other			
	valleys of Lac	valleys of Ladakh. A Zanskari horse breeding farm has			
	benn established at Leh by Dept. of Animal Husbandry,				
	Jammu & Kas	Jammu & Kashmir.			