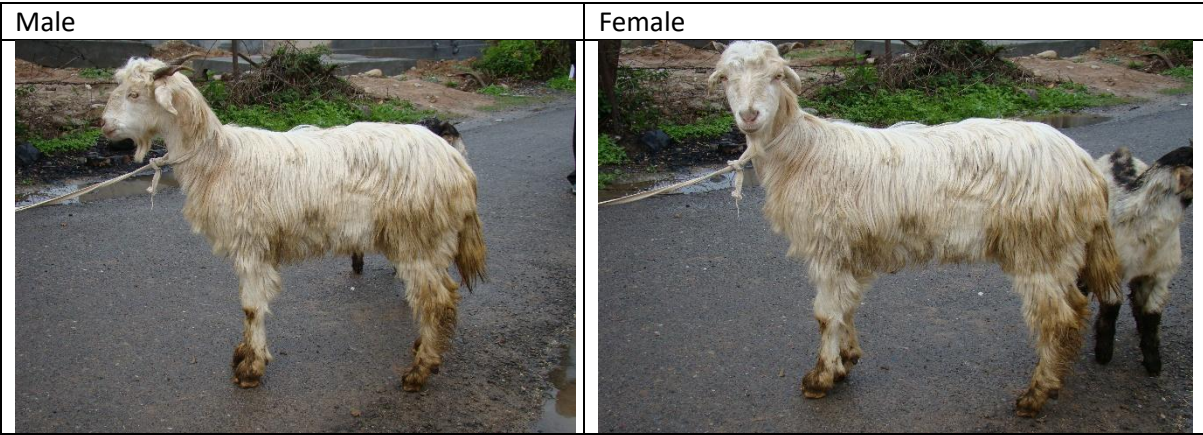


Breed Descriptor of Bhakarwali (Goat)



Breeding Tract	
State: Jammu & Kashmir	Ramban
	Kishtwar
	Reasi
	Rajouri
	Poonch
	Doda
	Kathua
	Jammu
	Udhampur
Location	
Longitude (deg.)	74.08 - 75.54
Latitude (deg.)	32.17 - 33.33
General Information	
Synonyms	Kagani

Origin	Local. Corroborates with name of Tribal Bhakarwal community maintaining this goat population		
Major utility	Meat, Milk and Hair		
Comments on utility	These goats provide livelihood security and are major source of income for Bhakarwal community of the state		
Comments on breeding tract	Jammu region covers a wide area ranging from a thin strip 274m to 304 m (900-1000ft) in height of the plain region in the south to the Shivalik hills and mid Himalayan mountains northwards up to Pir Panjal range. The region represented an intricate mosaic of mountain ranges and hills characterized with river terraces valleys and gorges. It had special importance because of its ecology and environmental hostilities. The rich forests of the state played an important role in maintaining the ecological imbalances.		
Adaptability to environment	Well adapted to hills in the Jammu division of J&K state		
Population			
	Year	Population	Other information
	2012	880000	Source: State Govt. Agency
Management			
Management system	Extensive		
Mobility	Nomadic		
Feeding of adults	Grazing		
Comments on Management	Flocks are semi-migratory. They are moving from place to place in search of browsing sources especially near jungles and hillock side of unreserved forest areas. The goats are kept housed only at night. Shelter is provided only at night. In highland pastures, goats remain in open.		
Morphology			
Colour	White. Some have black face or hind quarters		
Horn shape and size	Curved and screw like directed upward and backward. About 15cm in size.		

Visible characteristics	Large sized goats having convex head. Body is covered with very long hairs. Udder is pendulous and medium in size		
	Male	Female	Overall
Height (avg. cm.)	73.56	71.82	
Body Length (avg. cm.)	79.26	71.74	
Heart girth (avg. cm.)	74.82	71.2	
Body weight (avg. kg.)	30.15	28.6	
Birth weight (avg. kg.)	2.98	2.89	

Performance			
	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Litter size born	1.08	1.0	4.0
Age at first parturition (months)	24.43	18.0	36.0
Parturition interval (months)	12.36	10.0	18.0
Milk yield per lactation (kg)	140.65	100.0	300.0
Milk Fat (%)	3.04	2.0	4.0
Fleece weight (kg/year)	0.75	0.6	0.9
Staple length (cm)	20.1	14.0	26.0
Fibre Diameter (μ)	64.57	55.48	75.96
Dressing percentage	53.0		
Any Peculiarity of the breed			