Breed Descriptor of Ghagus (Poultry-Fowl)





Breeding Tract					
State: Andhra Pradesh	Chittoor				
State: Karnataka	Bangalore Rural				
	Kolar				
Location					
Longitude (deg.)					
Latitude (deg.)					
General Information					
Synonyms					
Origin					
Major utility	Food - meat, eggs				
Comments on utility	It is a dual purpose breed which often goes broody and is				
	a good sitter and mother. It is a good table bird. The hen				
	is a good layer.				
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	The average flock size is 27. Housing of birds is open.				
	Sometimes the shelter is provided under the dry fodder				
	stack. Concentrate left by dairy animals is consumed by				
	these birds. Brooding is usual. The hanging bamboo				
	basket with paddy straw bedding is used for hatching of				
	chicks.				
Morphology					
	Male	Female			Overall
Adult weight(avg. kg)	2.16	1.43			
Plumage type	Normal				
Plumage pattern	Patchy				

Plumage colour	Brown					
Comb type	Pea or single					
Skin colour	White					
Shank colour	Yellow					
Egg shell colour	Light Brown					
Visible character	Cocks have shinning bluish black feathers on breast, tail					
	and thighs. Neck is covered with golden feathers. Throat					
	in some cases is loose and hanging. Wattles are small and					
	red in colour. Ear lobes are mostly red.					
Performance						
	Average	Minimum	Maximum			
Age at first egg (months)	5.75	5.0	7.0			
Annual eggs production	52.0	45.0	60.0			
(avg. no.)						
Eggs weight (avg. gm)	40.0	34.0	51.0			
Hatching (%)	81.0					
Any Peculiarity of the breed	Birds are hardy. The birds are smaller in size as					
	compared to Aseel, Danki and Kalasthi but egg					
	production is more than these breeds.					