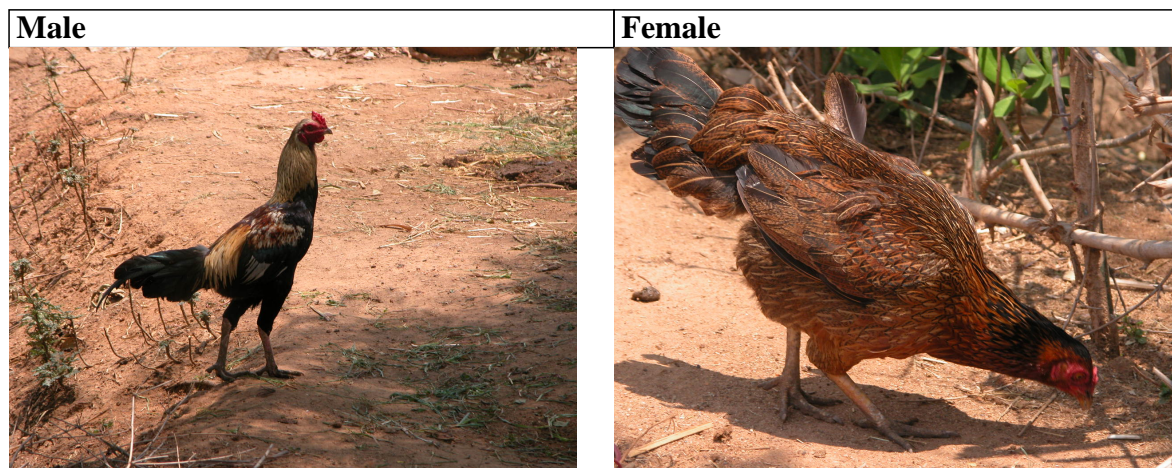


Breed Descriptor of Ghagus (Poultry-Fowl)



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 shining 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 (avg. no.)	52.0	45.0	60.0
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.		