Breed Descriptor of Chottanagpuri (Sheep)





Breeding Tract				
State: Jharkhand	Palamau			
	Hazaribagh Dhanbad			
	Ranchi			
	West Singhbhum			
	East Singhbhum			
State: West Bengal	Midnapur			
	Purulia			
	Bankura			
Location				
Longitude (deg.)	83.21 - 88.04			
Latitude (deg.)	21.58 - 25.19			
General Information				
Synonyms	Gareri			
Origin	The name 'Chottanagpuri' is derived from name of the			
	region, Chhotanagpur plateau, where the breed is			
	available. The breed is maintained mainly by tribals of			
	Jharkhand.			
Major utility	Food - Meat; Fibre - Wool			
Comments on utility				
Comments on breeding	The breed is found in the Chottanagpur region of			
tract	Chhotanagpur plateau covering the entire area of			
	Jharkhand and adjacent districts of West Bengal			
Adaptability to environment				
Population				
	Year	Population	Other information	
	2006	537913	Males - 47291,	
			females - 490622.	
			Source: Indian J.	
			Animal Sciences,	
			2008. 78(9):1040.	

	2013	516692	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	Stationary and Transhumant			
Feeding of adults	Grazing			
Comments on Management	_			
Morphology				
Colour	Mostly brown in colour, some are white, black or black and brown.			
Horn shape and size	Curved directing laterally backward, downward and forward with falttened conical apex and numerous ridges; small in size (<15cm)			
Visible characteristics	Small, light weight animals, Ears are small and parallel to the head. Fleece is coarse, hairy and open. Females are polled.			
	Male	Female	Overall	
Height (avg. cm.)	61.2	55.5		
Body Length (avg. cm.)	57.2	52.7		
Heart girth (avg. cm.)	71.0	65.5		
Body weight (avg. kg.)	19.48	19.76		
Birth weight (avg. kg.)	1.94	1.87		
Performance				
	Average	Minimum	Maximum	
Litter size born	1.08			
Age at first parturition	12.56			
(months)				
Parturition interval	6.57			
(months)				
Dressing percentage	48.42			
Any Peculiarity of the breed				