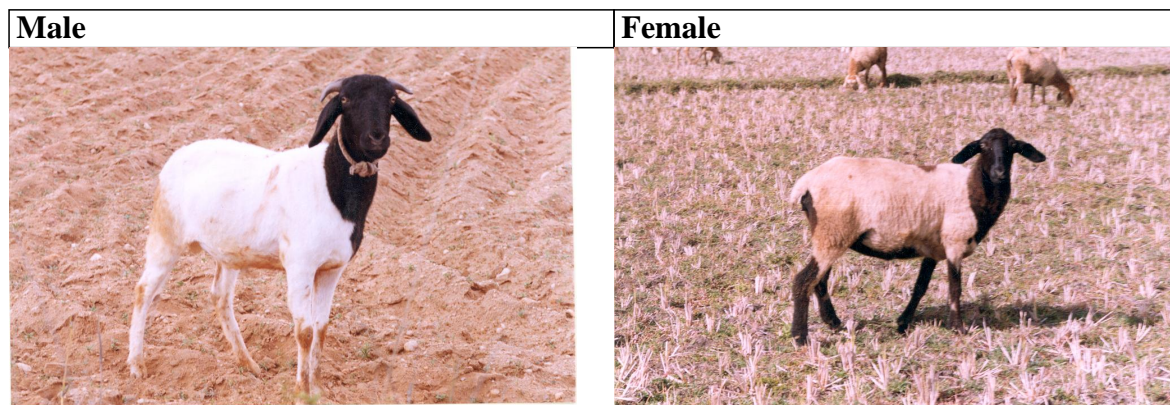


## Breed Descriptor of Hassan (Sheep)



<b>Breeding Tract</b>			
State: Karnataka	Hassan		
<b>Location</b>			
Longitude (deg.)	76.0 - 76.20		
Latitude (deg.)	13.0 - 13.15		
<b>General Information</b>			
Synonyms			
Origin	Derives its name from the name of its breeding tract.		
Major utility	Food - Meat; Fibre - Wool		
Comments on utility			
Comments on breeding tract	Average annual rainfall in the breeding tract ranges from 610 to 1055 mm. The soil type is red sandy loam.		
Adaptability to environment			
<b>Population</b>			
	Year	Population	Other information
	1997	196000	Based on Livestock census (1997) and distribution area of the breed
	2013	703012	Source: Estimated Livestock Population Breed Wise Based on Breed Survey 2013. Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Government of India, New Delhi
<b>Management</b>			
Management system	Extensive		
Mobility	Stationary and Transhumant		
Feeding of adults	Grazing		
Comments on Management	Few flocks migrate during March, April and May with in the state.		

<b>Morphology</b>			
Colour	White body with light brown or black spots. Fleece is white.		
Horn shape and size	Females are usually polled, about 30-40% of the males are horned and remaining polled. Curved, Backward, outward and downward. Medium to small in size.		
Visible characteristics	Small animals. Ears are medium in size (14 cm) and semi-drooping. Fleece is extremely coarse and open. Legs and belly are devoid of wool.		
	Male	Female	Overall
Height (avg. cm.)	64.4	60.8	
Body Length (avg. cm.)	64.3	62.0	
Heart girth (avg. cm.)	75.3	72.0	
Body weight (avg. kg.)	32.8	28.3	
Birth weight (avg. kg.)	2.39	2.21	
<b>Performance</b>			
	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Litter size born	1.0		
Parturition interval (months)	15.0		
Fleece weight (kg/year)	0.35	0.3	0.4
Any Peculiarity of the breed			