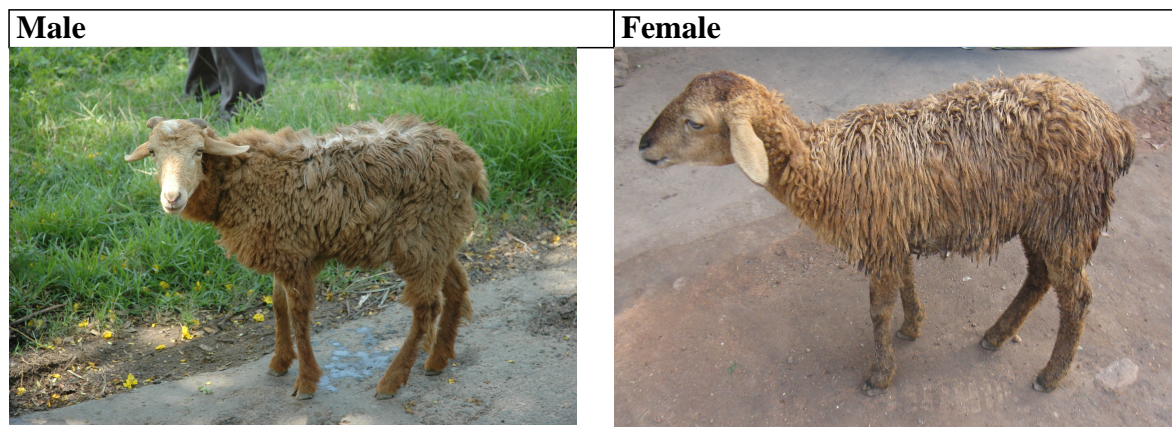


## Breed Descriptor of Kendrapada (Sheep)



<b>Breeding Tract</b>			
State: Odisha	Kendrapara		
	Bhadrak		
	Jajpur		
	Jagatsinghpur		
	Puri		
	Cuttack		
<b>Location</b>			
Longitude (deg.)	85.79 - 86.76		
Latitude (deg.)	19.87 - 20.96		
<b>General Information</b>			
Synonyms	Deshi, Kuzi		
Origin	Name derived from its breeding tract i.e. Kendrapara district in Odisha		
Major utility	Meat		
Comments on utility	These sheep are popular for good quality skin, manure and low fat mutton. Some uncastrated males or rams are used for religious purpose.		
Comments on breeding tract	The climate is hot and moist sub-humid to hot and humid in nature. Good number of Kendrapada sheep are found in Nimapara and Pipili block of Puri district, Kendrapada and Kanika block of Kendrapada district, Jagatsinghpur district, Salipur and Pattamundai block in Cuttack district, Chandbali block in Bhadrak district and Dharmasala block in Jajpur district.		
Adaptability to environment	Adapted to varied agro-climatic conditions		
<b>Population</b>			
	Year	Population	Other information
	2014	123000	Estimated from 2007 census along with information from district data.
<b>Management</b>			
Management system	Extensive		
Mobility	Stationary		

Feeding of adults	Grazing		
Comments on Management	Reared only under extensive range system without giving any feed supplementation. The sheep are usually left loose in the morning and allowed to graze across grazing land, road side vegetation and harvested fields.		
<b>Morphology</b>			
Colour	Brown		
Horn shape and size	Button type horns are present only in few males		
Visible characteristics	Head, face, belly and legs are bare. Rest of the body is covered with non-lustrous hair. Animals have horizontal ears; short, straight and drooping tail		
	Male	Female	Overall
Height (avg. cm.)	56.67	54.08	
Body Length (avg. cm.)	54.28	52.8	
Heart girth (avg. cm.)	70.33	68.46	
Body weight (avg. kg.)	28.35	27.29	
Birth weight (avg. kg.)	1.69	1.58	
<b>Performance</b>			
	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Litter size born	1.75	1.0	3.0
Age at first parturition (months)	17.16	16.0	18.0
Parturition interval (months)	7.78	7.0	8.7
Dressing percentage	48.0		
Any Peculiarity of the breed	The Kendrapada sheep is an excellent medium stature meat animal with high prolificacy. More than 75% ewes produce multiple births		