**Breed Descriptor of Bhakarwali (Goat)**

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| Male | Female |
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| **Breeding Tract** |  |
| State: Jammu & Kashmir | Ramban |
|  | Kishtwar |
|  | Reasi |
|  | Rajouri |
|  | Poonch |
|  | Doda |
|  | Kathua |
|  | Jammu |
|  | Udhampur |
| **Location** |  |
| Longitude (deg.) | 74.08 - 75.54 |
| Latitude (deg.) | 32.17 - 33.33 |
| **General Information** |  |
| Synonyms | Kagani |
| Origin | Local. Corroborates with name of Tribal Bhakarwal community maintaining this goat population |
| Major utility | Meat, Milk and Hair |
| Comments on utility | These goats provide livelihood security and are major source of income for Bhakarwal community of the state |
| Comments on breeding tract | Jammu region covers a wide area ranging from a thin strip 274m to 304 m (900-1000ft) in height of the plain region in the south to the Shivalik hills and mid Himalayan mountains northwards up to Pir Panjal range. The region represented an intricate mosaic of mountain ranges and hills characterized with river terraces valleys and gorges. It had special importance because of its ecology and environmental hostilities. The rich forests of the state played an important role in maintaining the ecological imbalances. |
| Adaptability to environment | Well adapted to hills in the Jammu division of J&K state |

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| **Population** |  |  |  |
|  | Year | Population | Other information |
|  | 2012 | 880000 | Source: State Govt. Agency |

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| **Management** |  |
| Management system | Extensive |
| Mobility | Nomadic |
| Feeding of adults | Grazing |
| Comments on Management | Flocks are semi-migratory. They are moving from place to place in search of browsing sources especially near jungles and hillock side of unreserved forest areas. The goats are kept housed only at night. Shelter is provided only at night. In highland pastures, goats remain in open. |

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| **Morphology** |  | | |
| Colour | White. Some have black face or hind quarters | | |
| Horn shape and size | Curved and screw like directed upward and backward. About 15cm in size. | | |
| Visible characteristics | Large sized goats having convex head. Body is covered with very long hairs. Udder is pendulous and medium in size | | |
|  | Male | Female | Overall |
| Height (avg. cm.) | 73.56 | 71.82 |  |
| Body Length (avg. cm.) | 79.26 | 71.74 |  |
| Heart girth (avg. cm.) | 74.82 | 71.2 |  |
| Body weight (avg. kg.) | 30.15 | 28.6 |  |
| Birth weight (avg. kg.) | 2.98 | 2.89 |  |

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| **Performance** |  | | |
|  | Average | Minimum | Maximum |
| Litter size born | 1.08 | 1.0 | 4.0 |
| Age at first parturition (months) | 24.43 | 18.0 | 36.0 |
| Parturition interval (months) | 12.36 | 10.0 | 18.0 |
| Milk yield per lactation (kg) | 140.65 | 100.0 | 300.0 |
| Milk Fat (%) | 3.04 | 2.0 | 4.0 |
| Fleece weight (kg/year) | 0.75 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| Staple length (cm) | 20.1 | 14.0 | 26.0 |
| Fibre Diameter (µ) | 64.57 | 55.48 | 75.96 |
| Dressing percentage | 53.0 | | |
| Any Peculiarity of the breed |  |  |  |