Registered Goat breed in India

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Introduction:

India has vast resource of livestock and poultry. There is no other country in the world having varied domestic animal biodiversity like India. The total livestock population in India as per the 20th livestock census is 535.78 million and it has increased by about 4.63% over the previous census. The goat population is around 148.88 million (20th Livestock Census). Rajasthan having largest population of goat breed.

Breeds of Goat:

Total goat population in the country is 148.88 Million during 2019. A total goat is increased by 10.14 over previous Livestock Census (2012). Total register breed of Indian goat are 39.

No.	Breed Name	Home tract	Characteristics of Breed	Photo Image
1	Asam hill	Assam,	Synonym: Asomi, Khasi	
		Meghalaya	Main use: Meat purpose	
			Visible Characters:	
			Colour: Usually white with occasional black patches on backline	
			and legs.	
			Horn: Cylindrical and tapering towards the end (corrugated) and	
			pointed at the tip. Usually straight but in some animals slightly	NA 70 7000
			backward. Small in size.	3000 0010
			These goats are short legged with small body size. Both buck and	
			does are bearded. Ears are medium in size, horizontally placed with	
			pointed tips. Tail is short and hairy.	
			Peculiarity of the breed: The breed is prolific in nature. Incidence	
			of Singlet, twins, Triplets and quadruplets are 51.17, 41.92, 6.69	
			and 0.22 percent, respectively.	

2	Attapady Black	Kerala	Main use: Meat purpose Visible Characters: Colour: Black in colour Horn: Curved and oriented backwards. Small in size. Extremities are black. Tail is bunchy type.	
3	Barbari	Rajasthan, UP	Synonym: Sai bari, Titri bari, Wadi bari, Bari, Guinea goat Main use: Milk and Meat Visible Characters: White with tan spots, black spots in few. Horns: are twisted, directed upward and outward. Large in size. Small sized animals, Ears - small and erect, tubular or almost tubular with slit. Peculiarity of the breed: Barbari breed is prolific and non seasonal. It is well suited for rearing under restrained and stall feeding condition. Indian goat with maximum milk fat (5%)	
4	Beetal	Punjab	Synonym: Amritsari Main use: Milk and Meat Beetal is a prolific and good dairy breed, and second to Jamunapari in size. Visible Characters: Black coat is common. Brown with white spots of different sizes is also available. Horn: Small in size (about 12 cm), carried horizontally with slight twist, directed backward and upward. Beetal goats are tall animals, having roman nose and long ears (24.8 cm).	

5	Berari	Maharashtra	Synonym: Lakhi, Gaorani Main use: Meat Visible Characters: Light to dark tan Horn: Flat, small, oriented upward and backward Black coloured ring around neck in adult male. Black hair line along with the vertebral column extending up to tail in both sexes.	
6	Bhakarwali	Jammu & Kashmir	Main use: Meat, Milk and Hair Visible Characters: White. Some have black face or hind quarters Horn: Curved and screw like directed upward and backward. About 15cm in size. Large sized goats having convex head. Body is covered with very long hairs. Udder is pendulous and medium in size	
7	Bidri	Karnataka	Main use: Meat Visible Characters: Black, some have white spots on ears, forehead, neck and knees Horn: Curved and directed backward, outward and downward. Female 13.72 cm, Male 16.44cm Forehead is straight. Muzzle, eyelids and hooves are black. Ears are pendulous. Udder is hairy and small in size. Peculiarity of the breed: Goats are reared for meat only. Twining is common but mostly first kidding single.	
8	Black Bengal	West Bengal	Synonym: Bengal, Desi Main use: Food - Meat; Others – Skin Skins are of excellent quality and are highly priced. Visible Characters: Predominantly black, brown, grey and white are also found. Horn: Small in size (<15), directed upward and sometime backward. Small-legged goat. Hair coat is short and lustrous. Nose line is slightly depressed. Peculiarity of the breed: This is the most prolific breed of goat. The breed is famous for excellent chevon and morocco leather production.	

9	Changthangi	Jammu & Kashmir	Synonym: Kashmiri, Pashmina Main use: Fibre- Hair (Pashmina/Cashmere); Food - Meat Visible Characters: Predominantly white but admixtures of brown, black also present Horn: Large and twisted like a corkscrew, turned outward, upward and inward to form a semi-circle. Medium sized animals and sturdily built. Ears small, erected and stumpy. Pashmina: fine costly hairs harvested from both Chegu & Changthangi Pashmina used for making high- quality Kashmiri "Rug or Shawl"	
10	Chegu	Himachal Pradesh	Synonym: Chayangra, Pashmina Main use: Fibre - Hair(Pashmina); Food - Meat; Work - Pack. Though the breed valuable fibre - Pashmina, yet the breed has main utility for meat. Visible Characters: Compact white, black, grey, brown and mixture of these colours are common. Reddish/tan/black coloration mostly around head & neck, and abdominal areas. Face and muzzle are tapering, possess long hair below with a second coat of pashmina.	
11	Gaddi	Himachal Pradesh	Synonym: Chamba, Gadderan, Gadhairun, Kangra valley, White Himalaya. Main use: Food - Meat; Fibre - Hair; Work - Pack. Visible Characters: White is dominant colour. Black coloured animals are also present. Horn: Directed upward and backward and occasionally twisted. Horns are long in size. Skin is very tough, covered with coarse long hair measuring 17 to 25 cm. Ears are drooping and pointed (12 cm). Peculiarity of the breed: During summer, Gaddi goats move to higher altitudes where lush green grass is available.	

12	Ganjam	Odisha	Synonym: Dalua, Baigani, Gola Goat, Lanka Goat Main use: Food - Meat; Fibre - Hair; Work - Pack. Visible Characters: Black or Brown black. White, brown and spotted animals are also found. Horn: Twisted and curved. Long(up to 50cm in many cases), parallel and pointed backward and upward. Males usually have beards. Head convex, ears are long and drooping, wattles present in both sexes. Peculiarity of the breed: "Big size horns" are a characteristic feature of Ganjam goats.	
13	Gohilwadi	Gujarat	Main use: Food – Milk, Meat Visible Characters: Black in colour Horns: are slightly twisted and turned upward, outward and backward. Horns are 15-25cm long. Nose line is slightly convex. Ears are tubular and drooping. Body covered with coarse long hairs.	
14	Jakhrana	Rajasthan	Synonym: Kali kotri Main use: Food - Milk and Meat Visible Characters: Predominantly black, black with white spots. White ears, White face mask. Horn: Curved upward and backward. Medium sized (15-25cm). Straight face line. Forehead is narrow and slightly bulging. Udder size is large with conical teats. Skin popular for tanning purpose	
15	Jamunapari	U.P.	Synonym: Etawah Main use: Food - Milk and Meat Visible Characters: Creamy white body colour with shining hair, White with patches of tan mostly on head and neck. Horn: Small, sword shaped running backward and upward.	

			Face is large and convex having tuft of hairs. Ears are long (about 30cm) flat and drooping, "Roman nose" (parrot mouth appearance) Biggest & most majestic breed of Indian goat, Most beautiful Indian goat, The breed is known to be best dairy goat of South East Asia and is tallest goat breed of the country.	
16	Kahmi	Gujarat	Synonym: Desi Main use: Food - Milk and Meat Kahmi goats are mainly kept for milk production as these have good milk yield. Male Kids of 3-6 months are sold for meat purpose Visible Characters: Coat color is unique - neck and face are reddish brown while rear abdominal part is black. Muzzle, eyelids and hooves are black in colour. Horn: Curved upward and backward Medium size, ear type (long, tubular & coiled, locally called veludi), wattles in majority of goats and convex forehead Peculiarity of the breed: Excellent migratory capacity	
17	Kanni Adu	Tamilnadu	Synonym: Varikan Adu, Karapu Adu, Pullai Adu Main use: Food -Meat Visible Characters: Generally Black with two white stripes on either side of the face and white colour in the underbelly and inner side of the legs, White lines on the edge of ears. Majority of the animals have white patch or line on either side of neck Horn: Directed backward and outward; backward outward and curved upward are predominantly present. Medium sized (15-25cm) in males and small (<15cm) in females.	

18	Kodi Adu	Tamilnadu	Synonym: Varikan Adu, Karapu Adu, Pullai Adu Main use: Meat, Skin and Manure Visible Characters: White with splashes of black or reddish brown colour Horn: Directed upward, backward and curved downward or upward and sharp at the tip. Size 15-25cm. Kodi Adu goats are tall, long, lean and leggy animals with compact body. Females have short, straight and sleek hairs on almost all parts of the body. Males have fairly long, straight and rough hairs on the neck and withers	
19	Kankan Kanyal	Maharashtra	Synonym: Kanyal Main use: Meat Visible Characters: Black with white marking on collar, lower jaw and ventral surface Horn: Cylindrical, backward and medium in size(15-25cm) Bilateral white strips from nostrils to ear. Legs- long, laterally black, medially white and white from knee to fetlock joint. Taildorsally black and ventrally white. Peculiarity of the breed: This breed is well sustained in hilly tract of Konkan coastal region, having high rain fall and hot and humid climate. Konkan Kanyal has strong legs and tough hooves, so easily moves in hilly tract during browsing. Konkan Kanyal breed is also suited to the stall feeding. The body coat of the animal is smooth and silky so that rain water gets quickly drained off.	
20	Kutchi	Gujarat	Synonym: Kathiawari, Deshi, Cutchi Main use: Food - Meat and Milk Visible Characters: Coat is predominantly black. White spots on neck, mouth and ear region. Horns: are small to long, corckscrew type and directed upwards. Long and coarse hair, slightly roman nose, and corckscrew type horns.	

21	Malabari (Tellicherry)	Kerala	Synonym: Thalassery, Tellicherry, Cutch, West coast, Malabar Origin/ breeding tract: Name derived from Malabar region of Kerala Main use: Food - Milk and Meat Visible Characters: Majority complete white. Some are black or brown or admixtures. Horn: Slightly twisted horns directed outward and upward. In some cases curved backward and downward touching the skin. Small in size. Medium sized ears, directed outward and downward reaching up to the nose. Pecularity of breed: Malabari goat is a highly prolific goat.	
22	Marwari	Rajasthan	Synonym: Barmeri, Black Desert goat of Rajasthan Main use: Meat and milk Visible Characters: Black in colour Horn: Corkscrew type, directed upward and backward. Small to long in size Long shaggy hairy coat. Pendulous ears. Thick beard in both sexes	
23	Mahesana	Gujarat	Main use: Milk and Meat Visible Characters: The coat is black with white spots at the base of the ears. Leaf like & drooping ears, The udder is moderately developed having large and conical teats. Horn: Twisted horns curved upward and backward.	

24	Nandidurga	Karnataka	Synonym: Nandi, Bilimeke Main use: Meat Visible Characters: White in colour. Some have Black/Brown spots on ears, forehead, neck and knees Horn: Curved. Directed backward, downward, inward and touching neck in few. Muzzle, eyelids and hooves are black. Ears are leafy and pendulous. Udder is hairy and pendulous. Teats are funnel shaped Hair Pecularity: First kidding is single but afterwards twining is common, sometimes triplets	
25	Osmanabadi	Maharastra	Main use: Meat Visible Characters: Predominant colour is black. White colour is noticed only on ears and some spots on neck and forehead. Some animals are reddish in colour. Horns: are straight/ curved and small in size (about 13 cm)running backward, upward and downward Five types of animals are available: 1. Entirely black with horns. 2. Entirely black with white ears and horns. 3. Entirely black and polled. 4. Entirely black, white ears and polled. 5. Brown and white patches from the face to lower side of the body Pecularity: The breed is known for early maturity, prolificacy and good dressing percentage	
26	Pantja	Uttarakhand	Synonym: Pantuja Main use: Dual (Chevon, Milk) Visible Characters: Fawn to brown colour, which becomes lighter ventrally Horn: Small sized (<15cm). Triangular, twisted, slightly upwards and backwards, pointed tip White streak on either side of face. Head is slightly convex. Ears are pendulous Pecularity: These are early maturing and prolific (twining > 65%) goats. Liked by farmers for meat, milk and fecundity.	

27	Rohilkhandi	UP	Synonym: Desi, Chheri Main use: Meat and Milk Visible Characters: Mostly black. Few animals are brown, fawn or mixed Horn: Slightly curved and directed laterally and outwards Forehead is slightly convex. Tuft of hair (black or brown) is present in thigh region. Tail is bunchy. Ears mostly pendulous. Pecularity: Twinning is the most common and triplets are also frequently observed.	
28	Salem black	Tamilnadu	Synonym: Karuppadu (In vernacular Tamil language) Main use: Meat, Skin and Manure Meat of this breed is considered to be very tasty compared to other goats and local preference is totally for chevon from this breed Visible Characters: Completely black with glossy hair coat Horn: No typical horn pattern however mostly directed upward and backward and sharp at the tip. Salem Black goats are tall, long, lean and leggy animals with compact body. Head is medium in length. The eyes are small and bright and the eyelashes are black in colour. The ears are medium in length, leaf-like and semi-pendulous. Neck is thick, broad and well set to the thorax in males. Pecularity: Reared primarily for meat. Thrive well in poor fodder resource areas and utilize agri by-products	
29	Sangamneri	Maharastra	Main use: Food - Milk and Meat Visible Characters: Generally white. White mixed with Black and Brown are also seen. Horns: are thin pointed, directed backward and upward. Hair coat is extensively coarse and short.	

30	Sirohi	Rajasthan	Synonym: Majithi, Parbatsari, Devgarhi Main use: Food - Milk and Meat Visible Characters: Coat colour is predominantly brown with light or dark brown patches. Horns: are slightly twisted and curved, directed upward and backward. Small in size (<15cm). Some polled animals are also present. Flat and leaf like drooping ears.	
31	Sumi-Ne	Nagaland	Synonym: Apu-Asu-Ne, Nagaland Long Haired Main use: Fibre & meat Primarily used for fibre. Only the animals which are considered unfit for breeding due to old age are slaughtered for meat purpose Visible Characters: White with characteristic black markings on head, neck and legs Horn: Small sized and slightly curved backward Head is straight. Ears are horizontal. Horns are pointed. Beard is present. Presence of long hair in adult animals is the most important phenotypic character. The length of the fibre, however, is more in case of male as compared to that of females Pecularity: Long silky fibres obtained from these goats are used by local people for making traditional items with socio-cultural significance	
32	Surti	Gujarat	Synonym: Khandeshi, Kungi, Nimari, Desi Main use: Food - Meat and Milk Visible Characters: White, black, tan, coffee and grayish color. Mottled animals are also found Horn: Directed backward. Small to medium in size (3-23cm). Pendulous and medium sized ears. Well developed udder with large conical teats. Pecularity: Surti goats are good milch animals. Surti goats are good breeders and twins are born to majority of does (50-60%), and triplets are rare (5%). They are mostly stall fed animals and suitable for complete confinement.	

33	Teressa	Andaman & Nicobar	Synonym: Pookore Main use: Meat Visible Characters: Dark tan, brown, white and brown mixed, black and brown mixed, females mostly light brown and white mixed Horn: Flat at base and pointing towards tip. Starting from base and bending back along with/ behind the head or straight with slight curvature towards back/ side wards. Peculiar white patch/line starting from inner canthus of both eyes or from eye brows and extending up to nostrils or mouth. Black hairs on dorsal midline up to the tail.	S & US
34	Zalawadi	Gujarat	Synonym: Tara Bakari Main use: Food - Milk and Meat Visible Characters: Body is covered with black, lustrous, shining hairs. Horns: are cork-screw types moving straight upwards, backwards and slightly outward with pointing tips. Long, wide leaf like and drooping ears. Well developed udder with distinctly placed teat of long size of cylindrical shape projecting slightly outward and forward.	
35	Sojat	Rajasthan	Sojat breed is cross of Jamunapari and say this is a kind of Jamunapari Goats. There is a great variation in coat color but they are generally white in color, and occasionally patches of tan or black are found on the body. The ears are very long, flat and drooping. Both sexes are found mostly without horned with short and thin tail. A thin growth of hair is present on the body, known as feathers. The breed has well developed udder round in shape with large conical teats. The weight of Sojat goats are very heavy and good for meat purpose. Milk: Average daily yield varies from 1.0 to 1.5 kg per day with a total lactation yield of about 175 kg. Kidding: Usually doe kids twice in 14 months, giving birth to single in 60% while twins in 40% cases.	

36	Karauli	Rajasthan	Karauli goats are medium to large in size and dual purpose breed, distributed in Sawai Madhopur, Kota, Bundi, and Baran districts of Rajasthan. The coat colour pattern is black with brown strips on face, ears, abdomen, legs and near pin bones. Ears in Karauli goats are long, pendulous with folded and brown lines on border of ears. The animals have roman nose. The horns are medium sized corkscrewin shape which are pointed upwards are the most typical feature of Karauli goat. Karuali bucks have prominent hanging dewlap. Average adult weight is about 52.0 kg in males and 45.0 kg in females. Average daily milk yield, lactation milk yield and lactation length are 1530.43±19.61 gm, 270.04±2.24 kg and 251.70±6.53 days, respectively.	
37	Gujari	Rajasthan	Gujari goat is a large sized, dual-purpose breed of Rajasthan. Coat colour is mixed of brown and white with white face, leg and abdomen. Average adult weight is about 69.0 kg in males and 58.0 kg in females.	
38	Anjori	Chhattisgarh	Anjori is a medium sized goat, used for meat purpose. It is distributed in Raipur, Durg, Rajnandgaon, Kanker, Dhamtari, Mahasamund districts of Chhattisgarh state. Majority of animals are brown in colour. It is hardy and well adapted to the local climate.	

39	Andamani	Andaman & Nicobar	Andamani goatis a medium sized animal, reared for meat purpose in the Middle and North Andaman districts of Andaman & Nicobar Islands. These goats are well adapted to the tropical hot-humid climate of the Island.	
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