

EXERCISE # 01

Object: TO STUDY THE BASIC TERMINOLOGY USED IN POULTRY

AVIAN: Concerning birds

POULTRY: Species of birds that render economic services to man. It includes chickens, Ducks, Turkey, Quail, Parrot, pea fowl, pigeons etc.

CHICK: A young one of Chicken

HEN: Mature female of Chicken

COCK: Mature Male of Chicken

PULLETS: Immature female of chicken or A female chicken less than a year old.

COCKREL: Immature male of Chicken.

FLOCK: A group of birds.

HATCH: It is a process by which eggs are hatched by natural or artificial incubation.

BROILER: Broilers are birds that reared for meat production and marketed at an age of about 6 to 7 weeks.

LAYER: Layers are birds that reared for table (eating) egg production.

BREEDER: Breeders are birds that reared for hatching (fertile) egg production

CAPON: Surgically castrated male chicken.

DUCK: A species of Poultry

DRACK: Mature male duck

DUCKLING: A young one of duck

TURKEY: A species of Poultry

POULTS: A young turkey.

TOM: Mature male turkey

BROODER: It is a hover under which young chicks may kept for providing the heat.

BROODING: A young birds kept under hover where it must be provided a source of artificial heat with feed and water in comfort management.

BROODY: The condition of a hen when she is prepared to sit on eggs for the purpose of incubation.

CANNIBALISM: The habit or vice of a bird in which they begin eating on another bird.

CULLING: It is a process of eliminating non-productive or undesirable animals.

DEBEAKING: Trimming of the beak involving removal of the upper one third of the mandible in young and mature birds to prevent cannibalism.

FEED EFFICIENCY (FCR): The ratio expressing the number of units of feed required for one unit of production (meat and egg) by birds.

BRAILING: A technique used to prevent the birds from flying. This may be accomplished by tying one wing in a closed position with a bandage type material.

LEG BAND: Aluminum or plastic bands that may be placed around the shanks of bird for the purpose of identification.

LITTER: The accumulation of materials used for bedding of birds. ie. Wooden dust or rice husk etc is commonly used.

MANURE: Faeces of birds.

OVULATION: The releasing of an ovum from ovary.

OVIPOSITION: The act of laying

ROOST: A resting or lodging place for fowl.

EXERCISE # 02

Object:

CLASSIFICATION OF FOWL