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## Prevalence of Gastrointestinal Parasites of Poultry in and around Bangalore

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### Abstract

In the present study 100 desi and 100 farm birds were screened for the presence of gastrointestinal parasites. Among 100 desi birds screened, 71 were found positive of gastrointestinal parasites by gross examination of gastrointestinal tract. Out of 71 positive desi birds, 35 (52.2%) were found positive for cestodes, 23 (34.3%) harbour nematodes and remaining 13 (18.3%) had mixed infection. However there were no adult helminthes and helminthes ova was observed in farm birds except the gut contents showed Eimerian oocysts in 10 birds out of 100 birds by microscopic examination.

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