Supplementary Materials

Selection of efficient broiler strain for productive performances and immunity under local farming system in Bangladesh

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Supplementary Table 1. The body weight gain of different strains of broiler chicken up to 6 weeks.

Week	Cobb 500	Ross	IR	EP	P-value	LS
1st Week	112.93^{a}±1.93	109.50^{ab}±0.29	103.73^{b}±3.47	93.93^{c}±0.29	0.001	*
2nd Week	321.40±7.87	319.00±2.00	304.27±2.79	305.07±4.79	0.075	NS
3rd Week	479.67±5.36	473.00±6.81	514.33±65.33	467.33±2.67	0.750	NS
4th Week	621.47±51.43	502.00±21.52	574.67±15.62	524.00±3.06	0.074	NS
5th Week	640.80±18.59	627.83±6.21	576.00±44.77	557.33±3.71	0.118	NS
6th Week	606.73±23.40	650.83±28.01	525.67±47.10	576.33±3.67	0.089	NS
Total BWG	2783^{a}±108.58	2682.16^{b}±64.84	2598.67^{c}±179.08	2523.99^{d}±18.19	0.034	*

One-way ANOVA with Duncan multiple range test (DMRT); ^{abc}Superscripts indicate significant variation among the group. Significance level <0.05. BWG, Body weight gain.

Supplementary Table 2. The average feed intake per bird per week.

Week	Cobb 500	Ross	IR	EP	P-value	LS
1st Week	111.33^{b}±0.88	116.33^{a}±0.33	111.33^{b}±0.00	116.52^{a}±0.88	0.000	*
2nd Week	324.67^{b}±6.77	353.33^{b}±1.45	356.33^{b}±20.70	397.00^{a}±1.15	0.011	*
3rd Week	521.83^{b}±3.08	535.07^{b}±2.26	611.00^{a}±29.58	617.77^{a}±0.98	0.003	*
4th Week	720.23±43.40	704.27±4.53	732.33±14.30	795.74±3.07	0.093	NS
5th Week	945.00±35.00	920.88±20.46	962.85±11.43	988.71±4.60	0.220	NS
6th Week	1070.00±15.28	1009.37±55.81	987.37±57.07	1131.83±15.97	0.137	NS
Total FI	3693.06^{bc}±104.41	3639.25^{c}±84.84	3761.21^{b}±133.08	4047.57^{a}±26.65	0.012	*

FI, feed intake. One-way ANOVA with Duncan multiple range test (DMRT); ^{abc}Superscripts indicate significant variation among the group. Significance level <0.05.

Supplementary Table 3. ND Titre among the different broiler strains.

	COBB	ROSS	IR	EP	P value	LS
MDA	3.50±0.22	3.83±0.17	3.33±0.21	3.17±0.17	0.125	NS
1st wk	3.33±0.21	3.67±0.21	3.17±0.17	3.33±0.21	0.375	NS
2nd wk	3.33±0.21	3.50±0.22	3.00±0.00	3.17±0.17	0.241	NS
3rd wk	3.50±0.34	3.67±0.33	3.33±0.33	3.33±0.21	0.849	NS
4th wk	4.33±0.21	4.50±0.22	4.00±0.26	3.83±0.17	0.152	NS
5th wk	4.50±0.43	4.67±0.61	4.33±0.21	4.17±0.17	0.830	NS
6th wk	5.00±0.52	5.33±0.56	4.83±0.60	4.50±0.34	0.716	NS

Supplementary Table 4. H5N1 Titre among the different broiler strains.

	COBB	ROSS	IR	EP	P value	LS
MDA	4.33±0.21	4.50±0.22	4.00±0.26	3.83±0.31	0.258	NS
1st wk	4.17±0.17	4.33±0.21	3.83±0.31	3.67±0.33	0.292	NS
2nd wk	4.00±0.26	4.17±0.31	3.67±0.33	3.50±0.34	0.434	NS
3rd wk	3.83±0.17	4.00±0.26	3.50±0.34	3.33±0.21	0.258	NS
4th wk	3.67±0.21	3.83±0.31	3.33±0.21	3.17±0.17	0.188	NS
5th wk	3.33^{a}±0.33	3.50^{a}±0.22	2.50^{ab}±0.34	2.17^{b}±0.48	0.042	*
6th wk	2.67^{a}±0.21	2.83^{a}±0.40	1.33^{b}±0.42	1.17^{b}±0.48	0.010	*

Supplementary Table 5. H9N2 Titre among the different broiler strains.

	COBB	ROSS	IR	EP	*P* value	LS
MDA	4.00^{ab}±0.26	4.50^{a}±0.22	3.50^{b}±0.22	3.33^{b}±0.21	0.008	*
1st wk	3.83^{ab}±0.17	4.33^{a}±0.21	3.33^{bc}±0.21	3.17^{c}±0.17	0.001	*
2nd wk	3.67^{b}±0.21	4.17^{a}±0.17	3.17^{c}±0.17	3.00^{c}±0.00	0.000	*
3rd wk	3.50^{ab}±0.22	3.83^{a}±0.17	3.00^{bc}±0.26	2.83^{c}±0.17	0.010	*
4th wk	3.33^{ab}±0.33	3.50^{b}±0.22	2.67^{bc}±0.21	2.33^{c}±0.21	0.011	*
5th wk	2.67^{a}±0.42	2.83^{a}±0.17	2.17^{a}±0.17	1.33^{b}±0.21	0.003	*
6th wk	2.17^{a}±0.31	2.33^{a}±0.21	1.17^{b}±0.17	0.33^{c}±0.21	0.000	*