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LIST OF ABBREVIATION

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Abbreviation and Symbol | Elaboration |
| % | Percent  |
| / | Per |
| Gm | Gram |
| Kcal/kg | Kilo-calorie per kilogram |
| CP | Crude protein |
| EE | Ether Extracts |
| CF | Crude Fibre |
| NFE | Nitrogen Free Extracts |
| DLS | Department of Livestock Services |
| H2SO4 | Sulfuric acid |
| NaOH | Sodium hydroxide |
| & | And |

**ABSTRACT**

 The study was carried out to acquire a comparative proximate analytical picture between layer feeds of Mohanur raj poultry farm in Namakkal and Kazi poultry farm in Bangladesh which are formulated in their farm on the basis of the requirement birds (hen). As the quality of feed is one of the main determinant factors in successful poultry farming, an attempt was made to compare the quality of both Namakkal layer feed,India and Kazi layer layer feeds, Chittagong. The feed was formulated on Layer-layer basis. The proximate analysis of these feeds showed the following composition such as moisture, crude protein (CP), crude fibre (CF), ether extracts (EE), ash and metabolizable energy (ME). The proximate analytical nutrient concentrates were moisture 10.4% and 10.1%, %CP 17.85% and 19.00%, %EE 2.4% and 4.3%, %CF 6.1% and 4.00%, % ash 6.5% and 6.3% finally ME 2650.72 Kcal/kg and 2800 Kcal/kg respectively Namakkal farm feed and Chittagong farm feed. There was significant difference observed in these feed samples with regards to some nutrient concentration. The age of the birds of two farms was also same (55-60 wkks). From this experipent, it was observed that the quality of feed used in Mohanur raj poultry farm (Namakkal) is better than Kazi poultry farm (Chittagong) and the nutrients are also closed to the standard. This experimental study may be helpful for Bangladeshi farmers and poultry nutritionists to compare between for mixed layer of Bangladesh with Indian (Namakkal) hand mixed layer feed.

**Key words:** proximate analysis, layer feed, poultry, Namakkal, Chittagong.

**CHAPTER: I**

**INTRODUCTION:**

 Now a days the poultry farming has turned out into one of the most important business division of agriculture throughout the world. It has been rapidly as a dynamic industry in south Asia countries. The demand of layer and broiler protein is increasing for meats and eggs. Poultry is basically a source of economical, palatable and healthy food protein (**Mahesar et** **al 2010**).In India poultry eggs has high demand where about 60-70% among total demand of eggs is supplied from Tamilnadu. Livestock sector in India makes significant contribution to the country’s economy. It contributes around 7.5% to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and 26% to agricultural GDP (AgGDP) (GOI, 2003). The livestock sector in the last two decades has recorded a growth rate of around 5.2% per annum, which is almost twice that of agricultural sector (Singh, 2002). India ranks 4th in the world in egg production and 8th in poultry meat production. Due to environmental facilities, high demand, management facilities in India layer farming is well established. The supplied feed in Mohanur raj poultry farm in India pellet feed for starter and hand mixed feed for grower and finisher.

In Bangladesh the layer poultry farming is increasing due to high demand of animal protein source. The poultry industry, as a fundamental part of animal production, is committed to supply the nation which is a cheap source of good quality nutritious animal protein in terms of meat and eggs **Akter and Uddin, (2009). Banerjee, (2005)** also observed that in comparison to other livestock sectors, poultry requires less investment to start the farming. The estimated contribution to GDP during FY 2012-13 from this subsector was 3.49% (**DLS, 2012-2013**).Though the share of this sub sector in GDP is small; it has immense contribution to meet the daily protein needs. Among this, poultry constitutes 30% of animal protein and will increase to 40% before 2015 (**IFPRI, 2000**). According to DLS, the production of poultry rose to 293.235 million in 2012-2013. There are 246.6 million chickens (DLS, 2012-2013) and about 50,000 poultry farms (FFYP, 2003) available in Bangladesh presently. However from another census it was found that 12.89% poultry birds come from nonfarm source, 51.95% from small farms, 27.43% from medium farms and 7.73% from large farms (BBS, 2003).

 In Bangladesh the maximum supplied feed for Layer-layer is hand mixed feed due to variation of nutrient requirements in different stage of poultry. The main feed ingredients in Bangladesh and India layer farm almost same such as maize, rice polish, soybean, protein concentrate, limestone, DCP and Lysine. Poultry feed is food for farm [poultry](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Poultry), including chickens, ducks, geese and other domestic birds. Feed for poultry mostly consists of grain **Pattison, (2008).** In [industrial agriculture](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Industrial_agriculture), machinery is used to automate the feeding process, reducing the cost and increasing the scale of farming. For commercial [poultry farming](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Poultry_farming), feed serves as the largest cost of the operation **James *et al.,* (2010).** **Rosenberry, (2002)** stated that, good quality feed has a several advantages over lower quality feeds i.e; better feed efficiency, faster growth rate, lower mortality, higher survivability and better meat and egg quality etc.

The poultry feed is an essential matter for better, profitable farming because the growth of birds, performance, immunity, production depend on management of accurate nutrients supplement. So the protein, energy, vitamin, mineral and other nutrients must be contained in formulated feed as their recommended requirement on the basis of their production stage. Healthy poultry require a sufficient amount of protein and carbohydrates, along with the necessary [vitamins](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vitamin), [dietary minerals](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dietary_mineral), and an adequate supply of [water](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Water). The feed must remain clean and dry; contaminated feed can infect poultry. Damp feed encourages fungal growth. [Mycotoxin](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mycotoxin), as an example, is "one of the most common and certainly most under-reported causes of toxicosis in poultry" **Pattison,** **(2008).**

 High or low level of nutrients in layer feed hampers the growth and production. Finally it will be cause of loss for farmer. According to **kleyn (1992)** feed cost represents 60-80% of the economic input in the economical poultry industry. **Nazni (2003)** reported that in poultry production the most important component is the ratio amongst the feed and egg/meat.

**Therefore the objectives of the present study were,**

To analytically characterize the comparative feature of nutrients of layer poultry feed of two countries like India and Bangladesh.

**CHAPTER: II**

 **2. MATERIALS AND METHODS**

 *2.1. STUDY AREA:*

 The study area was in India and Bangladesh. In India, Mohanur raj poultry farm (Namakkal) and in Bangladesh kazi poultry farm (Chittagong) were selected for this study. The total experimental was performed in laboratory of Dept. of Animal science and nutrition of CVASU.

 *2. 2. SAMPLE COLLECTION:*

 For the determination of nutrients value of poultry feed, the feed samples were collected from ‘Mohanur raj poultry farm’ in India and ‘kazi poultry farm’ in Bangladesh. About 250 gm layer feed samples were collected by using simple random sampling technique. From each collected feed sample a couple of proximate analyses were performed for accurate result.

 *2. 3. PREPARATION OF COLLECTED SAMPLES:*

 First of all collected feed samples were ground to obtain a uniform particle size of feed ingredients and kept in air tight plastic bags for proximate analysis **(Mahesar et al 2008)**

*2. 4. METHODOLOGY:*

 For proximate analysis of collected poultry feed samples, Association of official analytical chemists recommended methods **(AOAC, 1990)** were used to measure the level of moisture, crude protein (CP), crude fiber (CF), crude fat(ether extract), ash, nitrogen free extract (NFE) and metabolic energy (ME).

*2. 4. 1. DETERMINATION OF MOISTURE:*

 This was done based on the difference between the net weight and the weight after drying to a constant weight. A clean dried Petri-dish was weighed (W1) and 5g of the samples were placed on it, and then weighed (W2). This was then placed in an oven at120 °C for 24hrs. The dish was removed and cooled in desiccators for 30 minutes and finally weighed (W3). Then moisture percentage was calculated **AOAC,(1990).**

*2. 4. 2. DETERMINATION OF CRUDE PROTEIN (C.P.):*

 0.50g dried sample was weighed and transferred into the Kjeldahl digestion flask. Catalyst was added into digestion flask. Then 1.25% sulfuric acid solution was added. After digestion the sample was cooled and 40% W/V NaOH was added. The digest was transferred into the steamed out apparatus. The ammonia steam distilled into 2% boric acid solution with 3 drops of methyl red indicator. Then distilled ammonia was titrated with 0.01M Hcl. Finally N2 was calculated then C.P was calculated by following formula.

Here,

 6.25 is the protein nitrogen conversion factor.

 *2. 4. 3. DETERMINATION OF CRUDE FAT / ETHER EXTRACT:*

 For the fat extraction approximate 2.0g finally grinded feed sample was placed in a cellulose thimble paper and fat extraction was carried out using Hexase in a 250 ml Soxhlet extractor for 3 hrs. The sample was removed and air dried. Then sample was placed in oven at 80 ̊ C a constant weight was obtained. Then extractible fat was calculated as percentage crude fat.

 *2. 4.4. DETERMINATION OF CRUDE FIBRE (C.F):*

2gm ground feed sample was taken then boiling with adding 125 ml 1.25% H2SO4 under reflex for 30 minutes. After then several time washed with hot for acid free from sample. Again in this sample 125ml 1.25% NaOH was added and same treatment was subjected for removing alkali free from sample. Then it was dried to a constant weight in an oven at 100 ̊C and cooled in a desiccators and weighed. The sample was incinerated in a muffle furnace at 550 ̊C for 2 hrs until a constant weight. The crude fibre was calculated as the loss in weight on ashing AOAC,(1990).

*2. 4.5. DETERMINATION OF ASH:*

 A crucible was dried in an oven for 24 hrs then cooled and weighed. 5gm dried sample was taken in crucible and subjected to ashing in a muffle furnace maintained at 550 ̊C until a constant weight for ash.

*2. 4.6. CALCULATION OF NITROGEN FREE EXTRACTS (NFE):*

 Total NFE was calculated by difference [100-(%protein + %crude fibre + %crude fat+

%Moisture + %ash)] as reported by **Akubor et al. (2000).**

*2.4.7. CALCULATION OF METABOLIZABLE ENERGY (ME)*

 The metabolizable energy content was calculated by using the following formula **Lodhi *et al.,(1*976).**

 ME = 32.959 (% CP + % EE × 2.25 +% NFE) - 29.

**** Figure 1 & 2: Estimation of Crude protein.

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Figure 3: Estimation of EE Figure 4: Estimation of CF

**CHAPTER: III**

**RESULT AND DISCUSSION:**

 Weende or Proximate Analysis is partitioning of compounds in a feed into six categories based on the chemical properties of the compounds. The six categories are: moisture, total ash (TA), crude protein (CP), crude fibre (CF), ether extracts (EE) and nitrogen-free extracts (NFE). The major nutrient component of the collected poultry feed samples are moisture, crude protein, crude fibre, ether extract, ash, NFE and metabolic energy (ME). The results of proximate composition of analyzed feed samples are shown in table-I

Table: I- Proximate analytical nutrients value of collected feed sample.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Name of samples | Moisture% | Crude protein% | Ether Extract% | Crude fibre % | Ash % |  NFE% | ME(Kcal/ kg) |
| Hand mixed feed sample of Namakkal. | 10.4 | 17.85 | 2.4 | 6.1 | 6.5 | 56.75 | 2650.72 |
| Hand mixed feed sample of Bangladesh. | 10.1 | 19.0 | 4.3 | 4.0 | 6.3 | 56.4 | 2800.00 |

**Standard values recommended by researchers:**

Table 2. Reference values for nutrients of Layer layer feeds recommended by different researchers:

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Reference** | **Moisture****(%)** | **ME****(kcal/kg)** | **CP****(%)** | **CF****(%)** | **EE****(%)** |
| Larbier, M. and Leclerc, B.(1992) | 12 | 2750-2900 | 16-17 | 4 | 3.5-4.0 |
| Banerjee, G.C. (1995) | 10 | 2700 | 18 | 8 | **-** |
| Verma D. N.(2006) | **-** | 2700 | 18 | **-** | **-** |

Observation on the nutrient concentrations of Layer-layer poultry feed samples of two farms ( Mohanur raj poultry farm and Kazi poultry farm) were found variation in composition comparing with standard values in some nutrients.

In case of Moisture percentage both feed samples were same with standard level.

In case of ME, Mohanur feed of Namakkal feed was little amount lower than standard but in Kazi feed of Chittagong was (2800 Kcal/kg) higher than the standard level (2700 Kcal/kg).

In case CP percentage, Mohanur feed of Namakkal was standard level but in Kazi feed of Chittagong was (19.00%) higher than the standard level (17%) .

In case of EE, Mohanur feed of Namakkal was (2.40%) very lower amount than standard but in Kazi feed of Chittagong was ( 4.3%) little higher than the standard level (4.00%) .

**Limitations of the study:**

* In this proximate analysis, we estimate total N2, not the ultimate protein & NPN (Non Protein Nitrogenous Substance).
* Again it estimates %CP from N2 multiplying by 6.25 assuming that all protein contains 17-19% N2. So over & under estimation of N2 can be happened.
* During estimation of %CF, acid & alkali boiling is going on the hemicelluloses is partially destroyed. So there can be a little variation from the real value of %CF.
* Any deviation in results may be due to environmental or experimental error.

**CHAPTER: IV**

 **CONCLUSION:**

 Poultry requires more scientific ration than any other livestock. The deficiency of a nutrient in layer ration can greatly affect the production and quality of eggs. The analytical nutrients in Namakkal layer feed sample were nearly standard level and mostly ME, CP were at recommended required level but fat percentage was very low(2.4%). There are contradicted results about the effect of supplemental fat on egg production. The addition of fat has no effect on egg production. The production level was about 85% which was satisfactory to owner. The analytical nutrients in Kazi layer feed of Chittagong were higher than recommended required level mostly ME and CP were 2800 kcal/kg and 19.00% respectively which was less profitable. The production level (75%) of Chittagong farm which was less satisfactory than namakkal farm. Again higher ME may cause fat deposition in layers which cause egg bound problem. High use of protein is also renders the poultry farming unprofitable.

**Recommendation**

 Layer farm owners should be concerned during ration formulation of layer-layer birds to fulfill nutrient requirement of them and hence to increase productivity of eggs and meat and to make more profit.

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