

ABBREVIATIONS USED

PR	:	Pre-breeding phase
BR	:	Breeding phase
PS	:	Post-breeding phase
NB	:	Non-breeding phase
GSI	:	Gonosomatic index
TL	:	Total lipid
AA	:	Ascorbic Acid
DHA	:	Dehydroascorbic acid .
TC	:	Total cholesterol
EC	:	Esterified cholesterol
G.I.tract	:	Gastro-intestinal tract
3 β HSDH	:	Δ^5 -3 β hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase