

# **BURGO CHICKEN CONSERVATION INITIATIVE IN SAROLANGUN REGENCY, JAMBI PROVINCE, INDONESIA**

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The aim of this study is to initiate the Burgo chicken conservation in Sarolangun Regency, Jambi Province where Bukit Dua Belas National Park straddles. Burgo chickens are identified and distributed in Bukit Dua belas National Park. The conservation is started by invention and identification genetic sources, validation and verification collected data, conservation *in-situ* and *ex-situ* based on genetic resources requirement per district and monitoring and evaluation conservation programs. The present time their population in Sarolangun Regency is 176 heads, approximately, whereas local chicken is 310.408. Burgo chicken have proportionately longer beak and can not fly. The male chicken is bigger, taller and their sound is louder than the female. The live weight for adult male and female are no more than 1.2 and 1.0 kg. This conservation activity is still going on and it is needed to establish information center, network among conservationist, researchers, conservation experts and conservation organization, and reward from government to conservationist and people who care in Burgo chicken and other wild and local poultry conservation. It is also needed regulation from local government in relation to conservation activities and punishment for people who taking them out from National Park for selling.

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