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ATHELIA IN A GRADED MURRAH SHE BUFFALO: A CASE REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

Congenital abnormalities of the mammary system comprise absence of teats, glands, supernumerary teats and imperforate teats. Absences of teat is extremely rare, but isolated cases in which the teats were only represented by slight eminences have been met with (O’ Connor, 1980). Verma et al. (1983) reported athelia in a Sahiwal heifer, and Baskal et al. (1979) also reported congenital absences of teats in a she goat. The present paper communicates a case of athelia in a cow.

CASE HISTORY AND CLINICAL OBSERVATIONS

A four-year-old graded Murrah she buffalo was presented to the Department of Veterinary Surgery and Radiology, College of Veterinary Science, Tirupati with the history of absence of hind teats (Figure 1). Clinical examination of the udder by palpation showed normal udder tissue but the absence of two teats. Surgical correction was not possible.

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