



Accession Number: - Z00017

Scientific Name: *Tor putitora*

Family: Cyprinidae

Common Name: Golden Mahseer

Physical Characteristics:

It can grow quite large, with some individuals reaching lengths of over 2 meters (6.6 feet) and weights of up to 54 kilograms (119 pounds). They have a streamlined, torpedo-shaped body which is well-suited for fast-flowing rivers. The colouration is typically golden or silvery with darker markings. They have large, thick scales and a slightly protruding lower jaw.

Geographical Distribution:

This species inhabits clear, fast-flowing rivers and lakes, primarily in the Himalayan region, extending through northern and northeastern India, Nepal, Bhutan, and Pakistan.

Economic importance:

It holds significant economic importance, particularly for commercial Fisheries and Aquaculture, Recreational Fishing, tourism, and ecotourism. Conservation and Research of this species are crucial to maintaining its economic benefits while ensuring its long-term survival.

