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Scientific Name: *Trichogaster fasciata*

Family: Osphronemidae

Common Name: Banded gourami or striped gourami

Physical Characteristics:

The body elongates and is strongly compressed. Mouth is small, slightly protrusible; upper lip papillate, especially in old males. Colour greenish with oblique orange or bluish bars descending

downwards and backwards from the back to the anal fin. Fins are pale golden, but the caudal fin may have grey edges and black tips. The caudal fin is deeply



forked, and the lateral line is complete. Males are slightly larger than females.

Geographical Distribution:

Bangladesh, Eastern India, Northeastern India, Nepal, Upper Myanmar, China and Pakistan

Economic Importance:

They have significant economic importance within the aquarium trade, supporting businesses involved in breeding, cultivation, and trade. Additionally, they contribute to tourism, education, and research, highlighting their value beyond their ornamental appeal.