

Table 2 Growth parameters and nutrient utilization in *Schilbe intermedius* fingerlings fed test diets for 56 days

Parameters	F 1	F 2	F 3	F 4	F 5	F 6
	25% CP	35% CP	40% CP	45% CP	50% CP	60% CP
In Wt.	1.65±0.01 ^a	1.65±0.01 ^a	1.62±0.00 ^a	1.63 ±0.00 ^a	1.64 ±0.00 ^a	1.64 ±0.00 ^a
Fn Wt.	2.01±0.05 ^a	2.47±0.05 ^{ab}	2.69±0.42 ^b	3.35±0.16 ^c	3.05±0.15 ^b	3.00±0.12 ^b
WG	0.011 ±0.26 ^a	20.72±1.40 ^b	18.36±7.94 ^b	62.02±3.50 ^c	58.91±7.84 ^c	52.12±4.28 ^c
SGR	0.35±0.05 ^a	0.72 ±0.04 ^{ab}	0.85±0.27 ^b	1.28±0.08 ^c	1.10±0.09 ^b	1.07±0.08 ^b
FI	1.46±0.22 ^a	1.46±0.05 ^a	2.72±1.23 ^a	1.68±0.06 ^a	1.61±0.02 ^a	1.66±0.06 ^a
PI	0.36±0.05 ^a	0.51±0.02 ^{ab}	1.09±0.49 ^b	0.75±0.02 ^{ab}	0.80±0.01 ^{ab}	0.99±0.03 ^b
FCR	4.14±0.42 ^d	1.76±0.05 ^b	2.48±0.17 ^c	1.00±0.14 ^a	1.17±0.15 ^b	1.23±0.09 ^b
PER	0.98±0.12 ^a	1.61±0.04 ^b	1.01±0.07 ^a	2.29±0.28 ^c	1.75±0.20 ^b	1.36±0.09 ^{ab}
SR	39.16±8.33 ^a	54.16±2.20 ^{acd}	18.33±8.81 ^b	50.83±4.16 ^{ad}	68.33±3.00 ^c	65.00±1.44 ^{cd}

Note: Values represent mean and standard deviation. In each line, different superscripted letters indicate significant differences between treatments ($p < 0.05$); In wt: initial weight (g); Fn wt: final weight (g); WG: percent weight gain (%); SGR: specific growth rate (% day⁻¹); FI: feed intake (g fish⁻¹ 56 days⁻¹); PI: Protein intake (g fish⁻¹ 56 days⁻¹); FCR: feed conversion ratio; PER: protein efficiency ratio; PPV: protein productive value; SR: survival (%); * Values are means of triplicate groups ± S.E.M. Within a row, means with the same letters are not significantly different ($p > 0.05$)