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From
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Secretary to Government.

To
All District Collectors. (w.e.)

Sir/Madam,

Sub : Animal Husbandry Department –Jallikattu
Event 2026 - Standard Operating
Procedure (SOP) to be followed during the
conduct of Jallikattu 2026- Regarding.

You may be aware that Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha events are permitted to be conducted in Tamil Nadu during January to May every year as per the provisions enshrined under Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Tamil Nadu Amendment) Act, 2017 and subject to Prevention of Cruelty to Animals(Conduct of Jallikattu Rules,2017) framed therein and in this regard, the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) is issued by the Government every year to be followed by the District Officials, Organizers, participants etc, under the overall supervision and control of Directorate of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services and Animal Welfare Board of India etc.

2. In order to facilitate the conduct of Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha smoothly as per the existing Statutory provision which was upheld by the Hon'ble 5 Judges Constitutional Bench of Supreme court of India, New Delhi, the following actionable points may be strictly enforced while granting permission to the conduct of the above Jallikattu events together with the SOP's and check List appended to this letter:

Procedure for Conduct Of Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha in Tamil Nadu

1) Permission to conduct Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha:

a) Permission to conduct Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha should not be given to such organizers who do not obtain prior permission from the District Collector in the manner prescribed under

section 3 (2) of Tamil Nadu Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017.

b) Permission must be given only for those events that are proposed to be conducted in the manner prescribed under section 3(2) of Tamil Nadu prevention of cruelty to Animals (Conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017.

c) Notification procedure to be strictly adhered. No illegal and unnotified events should be held.

2) Avoidance of unnecessary pain and cruelty to bulls:

The implementation of rules should be very strict with respect to avoidance of unnecessary pain or suffering to the bulls and to ensure the safety, security and well being of the bulls as mentioned under various sections of the Tamil Nadu prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017.

3) Official Jallikattu committee:

Ensure that the official Committee for conduct of Jallikattu events as per section 3 (4) of the Tamil Nadu Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017 is constituted well in advance so that all the Department officials concerned are aware of their role in the conduct of Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha events. A Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) stating the role of every Department involved in the conduct of such events approved by the Government is appended to this letter. The team of TNAWB constituted should be present during the event and report it.

4) Creating awareness among stakeholders:

Please ensure that all the preparatory arrangements are done in the manner prescribed. You may also conduct a stakeholders meeting so as to create awareness on the Tamil Nadu Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017 and the importance of complying with the rules. The Animal Welfare Board of India and Tamil Nadu State Welfare Board shall sensitize the Standard Operating Procedure among organizers, regulating officials and participants.

5) Prior arrangements:

- i. Ensure that all the arrangements are in place, well in advance before the actual date of the event so as to avoid non compliance at the last moment.
- ii. Applications must be processed through online mode in the web portal developed for Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha events. (www.jallikattu.tn.gov.in)

- iii. All the stakeholders should be sensitized regarding online process, online registration of events, participants and bulls.
- iv. Undertaking from the organizers must be obtained along with the application for compliance of prescribed rules and circulars. They must also be instructed to enclose the copy of insurance made for the proposed event.
- v. The places without the precedence /evidence of Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha conducted in the village shall not be considered.

6) Spectator galleries:

Please ensure that the spectator galleries are created as per the rules prescribed under section 6 (1), 8 (1), 8 (2) and 8 (3) of the Tamil Nadu Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017.

7) Documentation of the events:

Please ensure that all the activities are video graphed from the time the bull enters the event area until it leaves.

8) Check list:

A check list of the activities to be verified is enclosed for your information. You may ensure that all the activities mentioned in the check list are put in place so that the objective of avoiding unnecessary pain and suffering to the bulls is achieved.

9) Compliance report:

1. After the completion of every event, a detailed compliance report along with particulars of bulls and participants (In the prescribed excel format) should be uploaded then and there in the portal.

2. On no account, Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha events should be permitted to be conducted in places other than the places notified by the Government in the State. Any deviation from this shall be considered as illegal and severe criminal action shall be taken against the individuals who are responsible for such illegalities. The reports of actions taken like filling FIRs, further legal action taken etc., shall be furnished to the Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services with a copy marked to the Government.

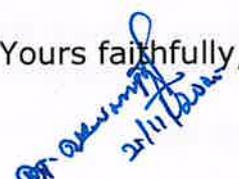
3. Regarding the conduct of the event of "Jallikattu" in the State of Tamil Nadu, the 5 Judges Constitutional bench of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on 18.05.2023 passed orders in Writ Petition (Civil) No.23 of 2016 that the Prevention of Cruelty to Animal (Tamil Nadu Amendment Act), 2017 does not violate the fundamental rights as enshrined under Article 14 and 21

of the Constitution of India and upheld its validity. The Hon'ble 5 Judges Constitutional Bench of Hon'ble SCI unanimously observed that the event of Jallikattu has cultural heritage and tradition in the State of Tamil Nadu and the Hon'ble Supreme court of India, New Delhi expressed satisfaction that the bovine sports (Jallikattu) is going on in the State of Tamil Nadu for atleast last few centuries based on the materials placed before the court and as directed as follows:

.....that the law contained in the Act/Rule/Notification be strictly enforced by the authorities and in particular, that the District Magistrates/Competent authorities shall be responsible for ensuring strict compliance of the law, as amended along with the Rules/Notifications."

4. The aforesaid directions to be followed in letter and spirit.
5. The receipt of this letter shall be acknowledged immediately.

Yours faithfully,


for Secretary to Government

Copy to :
The Director of Animal Husbandry and
Veterinary Services,
Chennai-35. (w.e)


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**Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the Departments concerned
to ensure safe conduct of Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu /
Eruduvidum Vizha events**

The duties and responsibilities of the respective Departments are framed as below ,

A. Directorate of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary services:

1. Issuing necessary guidelines and instructions for safe conduct of Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha events.
2. Issuing a model layout for safe conduct of Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha
3. Processing applications received from the District Collector requesting notification for Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Eruduvidum Vizha events.
4. Forwarding the eligible applications after verification of required documents to the Government for issuing notifications.
5. Formation of State Level Jallikattu Monitoring Committee and deputing officials of Animal Husbandry Department to monitor Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Erudu vidum Vizha events.
6. Obtaining compliance report for each and every event from the District Collector along with the data regarding participation, death and injury of both bulls and human.
7. Consolidation of acquired data and submitting the same to Government.

B. District Administration:

1. The District Administration under the Chairmanship of District Collector shall form a Committee for Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Erudu vidum Vizha events comprising officials from Revenue, Animal Husbandry, Police, Health, Fire & Rescue Services and PWD Departments, to oversee, monitor and ensure that the events are conducted in conformity with the prescribed Rules.
2. The District Collector on receipt of applications from organizers requesting permission to conduct such events, shall form the above said committee comprising officials concerned to the particular event.
3. The District Collector shall cause to form as many Inter-departmental teams as he or she may deem fit, with officers not less than the rank of Tahsildar, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Assistant Executive Engineer, Station Fire Officer, Block Medical Officer and Assistant Director (AH). A copy of the order may be attached to the letter recommending each Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Erudu vidum Vizha event.

4. The District Collector shall ensure the sufficient officer's placement, Local Tahsildhar, Sub Inspector of Police & Assistant Director AH and shall confirm in writing that all floor arrangement are completed by Organizers to their satisfaction in accordance with Hon'ble Supreme Court , AWBI & TN State Guidelines. Then only the final approval shall be given by District Collector.
5. The District Collector shall convene a meeting for the Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Erudu vidum Vizha event Co-ordination Committee in the last week of December 2025 to explain the rules & regulations and distribute copies of SOP and list of registered Bulls.
6. The District Collector may at his or her discretion, cause to provide a Ceremonial entrance behind the Vadivaasal to permit the ritual passage of unspecified number of animals from the village or villages concerned. Under no circumstance shall an attempt be made by anyone to tame any of such unregistered animals. In such venues separate Holding Yard may be provided for honouring the heritage of பாக்குவைத்தல்
7. The District Administration should ensure that all the arrangements have been made as per the check list. The District Collector shall peruse the checklist for compliance.
8. The AWBI & TN State SOPs are very exhaustive and its implementation in letter and spirit shall be ensured. Wherever any violation, noncompliance, malpracticing is noticed, Collector shall cancel / postpone the event.
9. Adequate publicity regarding the do's and dont's in Jallikattu / Manjuvirattu / Vadamadu / Erudu vidum Vizha events in a manner of creating awareness among all stakeholders (including organizers, spectators, animal owners, participants, officials) should be created by the District administration.
10. The District Administration is to verify for the compliance of end to end check list annexed in the SOP and the same is to be attached along with the event report (after the completion of the event)

The role of corresponding departments shall be assigned as follows:

1. Revenue Department

1. The RDO and his/her team shall inspect the selected venue for sufficient space and safety as mentioned in the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017
2. They shall check whether the application received contains proper undertaking by the organizers and also that the events are insured for suitable compensations as per the D.O. Letter Ref. No. 3813954/AH3/2022-5 dated 02.02.23 from the Principal Secretary to Government, Animal Husbandry Dairying, Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare Department to all District Collectors

3. They shall ensure that the applications contain the maximum number of Bulls to be permitted in the event along with a list of Bulls expected to participate in that particular event
4. They shall verify the antecedents of the Organizers with regard to compliance/ violations that had occurred during the previous years
5. They shall verify the authenticity and genuineness of the records produced by the organizers and submit report to the District Collector
6. They shall file FIR against the defaulters (organizers) who fail to comply with the rules
7. They shall ensure the erection of shaded, double barricading from bull Holding Yard through Vadivaasal to Bull run area
8. They shall ensure the erection of 8-feet barricade from Bull run area to Collection yard
9. They shall ensure the erection of 8-feet enclosure with gates, in the Collection yard along with sufficient number of poles to restrain the Bull
10. They shall also ensure that all the wells in the vicinity of around 5 km radius of the event site are closed
11. They shall also verify that the event site shall be located as far away as possible from human dwellings.
12. They shall ensure zero violation at Holding Yard, Health Inspection area, Vadivaasal, Arena and Collection Yard by forming respective teams with atleast 3 officers not less than the rank of Deputy Tahsildar, Inspector, and Veterinary Assistant Surgeon
13. They shall send the compliance report after the Jallikattu event is concluded.

2. Animal Husbandry Department

1. RJDAH shall endeavour to complete online enrollment of all Jallikattu Bulls in the district.
2. RJDAH shall examine the location properly and facilitate the approval of the layout for the proposed venue.
3. RJDAH shall depute necessary number of Veterinary teams including Holding Yard management team, Health Inspection Team, Vadivaasal management team, Bull run area management team, Collection Yard management team, Medical team, Emergency Response team etc.
4. The Transport of Animal Rules of PCA Act,1960 Motor Vehicles Act,1988,IPC 429 shall be complied by RJD in coordination with Transport and Police official team.
5. The transport of the bulls providing 2 square meter spaces as prescribed is ensured while issuing Health Certification at the time of commencement of journey.
6. The bulls shall be compulsorily subjected to Veterinary Examination by the Veterinary team deputed by the RJDAH concerned.

7. The participating bulls shall be examined for general health by clinical examination. Bulls showing symptoms of fatigue, dehydration, restlessness, etc., shall be summarily rejected. The bulls must have individual health certificates vouching for their fitness to participate in every event, duly certified by a Registered Veterinary Practitioner.
8. The bull shall also be specifically examined for possible alcohol abuse and any animal which is subjected to such abuse shall not be permitted to participate in the event
9. Proper health check up in all kinds of events shall be carried by AH officials in letter and spirit
10. Emergency veterinary care shall be provided in case of casualties by the Veterinary team deputed by the RJDAH concerned
11. Presence of Animal ambulance shall be ensured at the event site
12. A veterinary team should be deployed in the collection yard to examine and provide necessary medical assistance to the bulls that have completed the run whenever needed.
13. In case of death of a Bull in the arena, postmortem examination shall be conducted and report shall be submitted
14. The Jallikattu Monitoring Committee shall issue NOC, only after assessing all arrangements and cooperation of organizers
15. The Data bank of Bulls and Tamers shall be made to reveal the number of repeated participation of same Bull and Tamer again and again attracting severe Human and Humane cruelty.

3. Health department

1. The participants shall be put through a thorough fitness check-up by a medical team just before they enter into the arena
2. It is mandatory that the participants shall be put through a checkup for any drug or alcohol intake
3. The injured participants shall be given proper first aid and shall be rushed to nearby hospital if needed.
4. Emergency medical care and ambulance service shall be made available at the site

4. Public Works Department

1. They shall ensure that the organisers adhere to the layout approved by the RJDAH
2. A prescribed limit for the number of spectators to be allowed in the gallery shall be given by the PWD officials for every event based on its capacity.
3. The PWD officials shall certify that the spectator gallery and double barricading erected by the organizers are strong structures that can withstand the entire duration of the event without causing physical harm to the Bulls , participants and spectators alike.

4. They shall ensure that the double barricading of the arena shall be at the minimum of eight feet height so as to deter the bulls from jumping/leaping over the double barricading.

5. Police Department

1. Adequate number of police personnel shall be deputed at the event site
2. They shall ensure that law and order is followed in every manner during the conduct of the event
3. The Transport of Animal Rules of PCA Act,1960 Motor Vehicles Act,1988,IPC 429 shall be complied by RJD in coordination with Transport and Police official team.
4. They shall assist the officials of the Animal Husbandry department and the organizers in ensuring that Bulls are allowed into the Holding Yard, in the serial order approved by the District Collector
5. They shall assist the Holding Yard management team in Identification of registered Bulls and ensure rejection of Bulls not registered for the event
6. The police officials shall also ensure that each bull is embraced by one participant only. At no point of time shall two or more participants shall attempt to embrace the bull.
7. Appropriate legal action shall be taken on the violators of *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals(conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017* by the Police Department *suo moto*
8. They shall coordinate with Animal Husbandry Department officials for location of their staff at vantage points.
9. The Police personnel shall follow closed circuit cameras for any violations or infliction of unnecessary cruelty on the bulls and immediately seize such offenders
10. The Police officials shall ensure that the Bull Collection yard is free from spectators, onlookers, general public. Except the Bull owners or their authorized representatives, all other persons should be removed from the bull collection yard.

6. Fire & Rescue Service

1. They shall conduct detailed Pre-event survey at the event to check for vulnerable points
2. They shall ensure that all the wells in the vicinity of around 5 km radius of the event site are closed before issuing No Objection certificate
3. The fire service personnel with their vehicle shall be deputed for every event and their presence shall be ensured at the site during the entire event
4. Trained personnel in animal rescue services shall be present

7. Organizing committee

The Jallikattu event organizers play a major role in the conduct of such events as the whole responsibility lies with them. Some of the important duties and responsibilities of the organizers are as follows:

1. The organizers shall obtain prior permission for conduct of such events from the Government through the District Collector
2. They shall give request for conduct of such events in writing/through online well in advance 30 days prior the event date along with proper documents mentioning the proposed place and date of conduct of the event to the District collector
3. They shall submit an undertaking stating that they would abide by all the rules and regulations as per *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals(conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017* and assume responsibility for the entire event
4. They shall insure the entire event in the manner prescribed vide D.O.Letter Ref.No. 3813954/AH3/2022-5 dated 02.02.23 from the Principal Secretary to Government, Animal husbandry Dairying, Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare Department to all District Collectors.
5. They shall ensure that the applications contain the maximum number of Bulls to be permitted in the event along with a list of Bulls and their owners' details who are expected to participate
6. Number of bulls participation should not exceed the SOP
7. They shall submit a layout for the proposed event, duly approved by the RJDAH concerned
8. They shall submit the copy of agreement with Contractor to construct the approved layout without deviation
9. They shall erect shaded, double barricading from Holding Yard through Vadiyaasal to Bull run area
10. They shall erect 8-foot double barricade from Bull run area to Collection yard
11. They shall erect 8-foot enclosure with gates, in the Collection yard along with sufficient number of poles to restrain the Bull
12. They shall affix sufficient number of banners as stipulated by the Government
13. They shall conduct the event in an open ground as far away from human dwellings as possible
14. They shall provide proper shelter, feed and fodder, adequate drinking water and enough rest to the participating bulls and shall ensure that the owner of the bull shall always be by the side of the bull to ensure the safety and security of the bulls
15. They shall ensure that the bulls are put to proper test by the authorities of the Animal husbandry Department and that no performance

enhancement drugs, irritants, etc., are administered to the bulls in any form

16. They shall make arrangements for availability of food, drinking water and restrooms for the participants, officials and police personnel
17. There shall be a PA (Public Address) system at Holding Yard to announce the serial order
18. There shall be Security Cameras or Webcams/CCTV at vantage points, namely Vadivaasal, arena, bull run area and bull collection yard so as to monitor all the activities for violations, if any
19. They shall abide by the orders of the District Collector for peaceful conduct of the event.
20. The organizers should ensure that only one tamer shall be allowed to embrace the bull sent into the arena.
21. The organizing committee should not collect any entry fee for issuing tokens to the bulls and participants.
22. Money should not be collected by the organizers.
23. Banners, hoardings that contain awareness material, do's and don't's for participants, bull owners, spectators shall be kept in vantage points as well as in the venues where Jallikattu events are conducted.
24. Bull Registration should be done by the organizers without any malpractices.
25. Tamers repeated participation in several events should be avoided.

8. Bull Owners

1. The bull owners shall give in writing that they shall follow the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017
2. The bulls shall be registered by the owners in the online portal created for the purpose
3. The bulls participating in Jallikattu should be brought to the site following the Transportation of Animals Rules, 1978. Transport of Animal Rules should not be violated.
4. Adequate rest, feed and water should be given to the bulls and they should be subjected to health check up before participating in Jallikattu.
5. After completion of the run, the bull owners should secure their animals safely from the collection yard and take them for Veterinary checkup.
6. The bulls after completing one event must be given sufficient Period of rest before another event
7. Only bulls of the age above 2 years and with a height of 120 cm shall be permitted. Cows or heifers are strictly forbidden in the event.
8. Bulls should not be forced to drink alcohol and practices like rubbing chilli powder on their eyes, twisting the tails, prodding with sticks and sharp objects etc with the intention to aggravate the bull will not be permitted. Any owner indulging in any method of physical torture of the bull will be dealt legally.

9. The usage of protective gear of fixing of Light Rubber Bushes on the tip of horns by Bull Owners before commencing journey till participation and Bull return shall be made mandatory by AWBI, to provide safety, restrict injuries and mortalities to other participating bulls, spectators and participants.

9. Participants

1. The participants shall be above 18 years old. They must register themselves before participating in the event
2. Participants shall wear the uniform prescribed by the officials concerned. They shall not be seen sporting very loose fitting clothes and other talisman that can potentially result in injuries while participating in the event.
3. They should not be under the influence of alcohol or any other psychotropic substances which can influence their physical abilities
4. They should subject themselves to a medical test for physical fitness and only after being certified fit shall be allowed to participate in the event
5. Only one participant shall embrace the bull at a time. If two or more are seen to be engaging the bull, both the participants shall be eliminated from further participation.
6. The participant shall not in any manner cause unnecessary pain and suffering to the bull.

10. Additional Guidelines for the Variants of Jallikattu;

All the prior mentioned rules and operating procedures hold good and remain valid for manjuvirattu, vadamadu and eruduvidum vizha events in addition to the following rules and vice versa for jallikattu, wherever it is applicable.

a) Manjuvirattu-

Manjuvirattu is an event almost similar to jallikattu conducted in an open ground where bulls are let free to run and the participants try to embrace the bull. Unlike jallikattu, there is no vaadivasal in manjuvirattu for bull entry.

Standard Operating Procedure for organizing Manjuvirattu event:

1. Manjuvirattu shall be conducted in a defined area with proper structures of arena, bull holding area, bull examination area, bull collection yard etc., as per the guidelines.

2. The length and breadth of the arena, length of bull run arena shall be similar as prescribed for jallikattu
3. The participants shall not catch the bull by its horns, tail or limbs
4. All the rules as per *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017* shall be applicable for Manjuvirattu also.

b) Vadamadu

Vadamadu is an event where a bull is tethered to a pole dug deeply inside the ground at the centre of a circular arena and participants are allowed to embrace the bull as in the case of jallikattu

Standard Operating Procedure for organizing Vadamadu event:

1. Vadamadu is an event where a bull is tethered to a pole inside a circular arena and participants are allowed to embrace the bull as in case of jallikattu
2. The circular arena is divided into two as playing arena and outer arena
3. The entire circle diameter shall be not less than 100 feet .
4. The entire playing arena shall be of 84 feet diameter in the inner circle and the distance between inner and outer circle should be 16 feet.
5. The length of the rope shall be atleast 20 upto 40 feet, so that the bull can roam freely inside the arena
6. The pole onto which the bull is to be tethered shall be dug firmly inside the ground with atleast 7 ft depth.
7. Outside the outer circle, a circular gallery shall be erected maintaining the standard protocol
8. Each bull shall be allowed only for a maximum time of 10 mins. However, any bull which has been embraced within the 10 minutes shall be replaced immediately with another bull.
9. For a single round, not more than 9 uniformed participants shall be allowed inside the arena to participate
10. Each bull shall be embraced by one participant only. At no point of time two or more participants shall attempt to embrace the bull.
11. As in the case of Jallikattu events, embracing the hump for 30 seconds or sustaining 3 jumps of the bull by any one participant shall be declared as victory. After the bull is embraced thus, the bull should be allowed to exit, and another bull shall be permitted.
12. The participants shall not be allowed to twist, pull, bite or prick the tail during, before or post event. The participants should not hold the horns. Also locking the bull's legs is strictly prohibited.
13. The rules regarding prevention of cruelty to animals act (PCA 1960) must be broadcast and announced then and there by the organizers during the event.

14. The entire event shall be insured in all aspects and CCTV installed for surveillance and the video graph of the event must be submitted to the District Collector
15. The participating bulls shall be at least 3 to 4 years of age and proportionate body weight with hump. No exotic bulls should be allowed
16. 2 ambulances must be stationed along with 1 animal ambulance .The ambulance pathway shall be smooth and unhindered.
17. In no way can there be any illegal betting or gaming during the event
18. After the event, the bull shall rested in the collection yard fed water and fodder and after 20 minutes will be uploaded onto the vehicle using proper ramp facility
19. The bull assembly place shall have sufficient space, ventilated and sheltered and the bulls shall be properly tethered
20. The Organizing committee shall specify as to how many bulls will participate in the event for making proper accommodation and for providing prescribed quantum of fodder and water.
21. Each participating bull shall be checked by a veterinary unit for doping , vision defect , locomotor disability, any ill health and for spraying of prohibited substances like powder and oil on the skin.
22. The bulls shall be thoroughly examined for its physical ability
23. The bulls shall be rested at least 20 minutes after arriving in the holding area before entering into the event arena.
24. The event shall be conducted in open leveled ground and covered with coir pith. The ground shall not be uneven or graveled or have a slope.
25. The entire playing arena shall be of 84 feet diameter in the inner circle and 16 feet distance up to the outer circle from the inner circle boundary.
26. The entire cicle diameter shall not be above 100 feet in diameter.
27. All the rules as per Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017 shall be applicable for Vadamadu also.

c) Erudu Vidum Vizha

Is a bull race event where bulls are allowed to run one by one for 100 m and the one which reaches the destination in shortest time wins the race. There are no tamers in this event.

Standard Operating Procedure for organizing Erudu Vidum Vizha event:

1. Bull run area shall be marked for a distance of 100 meters only.
2. A double barricade shall be erected on both sides of the above bull run area. The barricade shall be erected upto 200 meters with a gap of 2 feet in between.

3. Spectators shall not be allowed within 150 meters of the said security wall and only guards shall be allowed on either side of the security wall. Beyond that, small barricades shall be erected and spectators shall be allowed. The Public Works Department should ensure the stability of these barriers.
4. The event shall be conducted only for a maximum of 5 hrs per day.
5. Each bull shall be allowed to participate in the competition only after it has been examined and certified as fit to participate in the event by a Registered Veterinary Practitioner.
6. After 200 meters, owners shall be available at the collection yard to retrieve the bulls.
7. Veterinary teams shall be available at both entry and exit.
8. The entire bull run area shall be covered with coir pith.
9. To avoid head on collisions between the bulls, sufficient time shall be given before letting each and every bull through vaadivasal. The next bull shall be allowed to run after ensuring that the previous bull has reached the collection yard.
10. Prevention of public entry into the bull racing area or bull run area shall be strictly monitored.
11. Teasing of bulls by slapping, hitting, sticking pointed sharp objects shall be considered as violation of PCA Act and necessary legal action shall be initiated.
12. All the rules as per Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (conduct of Jallikattu) Rules, 2017 shall be applicable for Erudu Vidum Vizha also.

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CHECK LIST

END TO END CHECKLIST FOR CONDUCT OF JALLIKATTU/VADAMADU/MANJUVIRATTU/ERUDU VIDUM VIZHA IN TAMIL NADU			
SI.No	ACTIVITY	YES	NO
1	Whether Organisers have informed the District Collector in writing/through online (prior permission).		
2	Whether the place where the event is conducted is notified in the State Gazette		
3	Whether the collector has granted permission for conduct of Jallikattu/ Vadamadu/ Manjuvirattu/ Erudu Vidum Vizha.		
4	Whether the names and details of participants and the bulls that are proposed to take part in the event registered.		
5	Whether the venue selected for conduct of event inspected.		
6	Whether a 'Committee on Jallikattu/ Vadamadu/ Manjuvirattu/ Erudu Vidum Vizha' with concerned District officials to oversee and monitor the conduct of Jallikattu/ Vadamadu /Manjuvirattu/ Erudu Vidum Vizha is in conformity to rules formed.		
7	Whether the bulls are tested by Animal Husbandry Department for performance enhancement drugs.		
8	Whether the bulls have been tested by Animal Husbandry Department officials for any diseases and not intoxicated or administered with any substance with the object of making them more aggressive or ferocious.		
9	Whether the organisers have arranged event in an open ground and the collectors have given their consent to it.		
10	Whether the organizers have insured the entire event		
	BULL HOLDING AREA		
1	Whether the Bulls are provided adequate space in the bull holding area to exhibit their normal behaviour.		
2	Whether the bulls are provided adequate feed and water by the organisers in the bull holding area.		

3	Whether the bull holding area is provided with a roof/ shamiana.		
4	Whether the owner of the bull or his representative available with the bull at all times in the bull holding area.		
5	Whether the bull holding area is maintained clean and hygienic.		
6	Whether dung and urine are being removed periodically from the bull holding area.		
7	Whether the bull holding area is under the constant monitoring of Veterinarians.		
8	Whether the bulls in the holding area have any physical damages to the body parts like mutilated ears, fractured tail, etc.		
8a	If yes, how many bulls have physical damages and how many were denied permission to participate in the event.		
9	Whether a functioning CCTV camera is recording the activities in bull holding area.		
10	Whether the Bull Holding area is under the constant monitoring of the Police personnel.		
	EXAMINATION OF BULLS		
1	Whether veterinary examination is conducted for all the bulls.		
2	Whether Bulls showing symptoms of fatigue, dehydration, restlessness.		
2a.	If yes, how many bulls were denied permission to participate in the event.		
3	Whether bulls were subjected to alcohol abuse.		
3a	If yes, how many bulls were denied permission to participate in the event.		
4	Whether the bulls examination area is provided with roofing (Shamiana / thatched roof).		
5	Whether a functioning CCTV camera is recording the activities in bull examination area.		

	ARENA		
1	Whether the arena is of specific dimension.		
2	Whether participants are blocking the exit way of bulls.		
2a.	If yes, how many were disqualified violation of this rule.		
3	Whether participants are holding on to the tail/horn or body parts other than the hump.		
3a	If yes, how many participants were disqualified for violation of this rule.		
4	Whether the participants are holding on to the bull even after 15 metres/30 seconds/3 jumps of the bull.		
4a	If yes, how many were disqualified for violation of this rule.		
5	Whether participants are restricting the movement of the bull by holding on to the bulls legs with their legs.		
5a	If yes, how many were disqualified for violation of this rule.		
6	Whether the arena is liberally strewn with coir pith for cushioning effect at all times till the completion of the event.		
	VADAMADU		
7	Whether the diameter of the circular arena is as per the set standards (84 ft inner circle and 16 ft between inner and outer circle)		
8	Whether the rope tethered is strong and long enough so that the bull (more than 20 ft) could move freely		
9	Whether the pole has been dug deep inside the ground for atleast upto 7 ft depth		

	MANJUVIRATTU		
10	Whether the event is conducted in a defined area with proper structures as per SOP		
	ERUDU VIDUM VIZHA		
11	Whether the bull run area is 100 meter from the entry point to destination.		
	BULL RUN AREA		
1	Whether a strong double barricade is erected separating the spectator gallery.		
2	Whether the spectator gallery is constructed beyond 15 feet from the arena.		
2a.	Whether the spectator gallery has been certified as safe by the PWD authorities.		
3	Whether the double barricade is erected along the circle		
4	After the event of 25/15 minutes the bull was collected near the collection yard		
	BULL COLLECTION YARD		
1	Whether strangers are found inside bull collection yard.		
2	Whether double barricading is provided in the bull collection yard.		
3	Whether each bull has adequate space to exhibit its normal behaviours inside the Bull collection yard.		
4	Whether feed and water are available for the bulls in the bull collection yard.		
5	Whether the owner or his representative available in the bull collection yard.		

6	Whether thatched roof/shamiana is provided in the bull collection yard.		
7	Whether the bulls are provided adequate rest before being taken back home by the owners.		
8	Whether the bulls are examined by Veterinarians in the bull collection yard after the bulls have completed their run.		
9	Whether adequate police personnel is available at the bull collection yard.		
10	Whether the activities in the bull collection yard is recorded by a functioning CCTV camera.		
	SETTING UP OF GALLERY		
1	Whether the gallery has been certified by the PWD.		
2	Whether the double barricading is up to 8 ft height.		
3	Whether the limit for the number of spectators to be seated has been fixed by PWD.		
	MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF PARTICIPANTS		
1	Whether adequate number of medical personnel including Doctors available.		
2	Whether ambulance, stretchers, adequate medicines and equipments are made available.		
3	Whether all the Participants are examined for soundness of health, alcohol consumption.		
3a	How many Participants have been rejected from participation on health grounds.		
	MISCELLANEOUS		
1	Whether all Participants are wearing an exclusive dress for identification purpose.		
2	Whether all the structures have been examined for sharp edges or protrusions that would cause injuries to both bulls as well as participants and Public Works Department authorized.		

3	Whether the open wells surrounding the event place are covered /sealed		
4	Whether arrangements have been made for end to end video documentation of the entire event.		
	Law and Order		
1	Whether FIRs have been filed against Organisers for violation of rules.		
2a	If yes, how many FIRs have been filed.		
2b	Section under which case(s) has/have been registered.		
3	Whether FIRs have been filed against participants for violation of rules.		
3a	If yes, how many FIRs have been filed.		
3b	Section under which case(s) has/have been registered.		
4	Whether FIRs have been filed against animal owners for violation of rules.		
4a	If yes, how many FIRs have been filed.		
4b	Section under which case(s) has/have been registered.		
5	Whether FIRs have been filed against public for conduct of illegal Jallikattu/Vadamadu/Manjuvirattu/Erudu Vidum Vizha anywhere in the District.		
5a	If yes, how many FIRs have been filed.		
5b	Section under which case(s) has/have been registered.		

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