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Abstract: A checklist of mammals of Tamil Nadu State is presented in this paper. Accepted English names, scientific binomen, prevalent vernacular names in Tamil, IUCN conservation status, Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act schedules, the appendices in the CITES, endemism, the distribution of species in India, the Western Ghats & plains of Tamil Nadu, and the complete bibliography pertaining to the 132 species of mammals of Tamil Nadu are given.

Keywords: CITES, Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, Tamil name, vernacular name, Western Ghats.

Abbreviations: IUCN - International Union for Conservation of Nature; IUCN Red List of Threatened Species: categories (CR - Critically Endangered; EN - Endangered; VU - Vulnerable; NT - Near Threatened; LC - Least Concern; NA - Not Assessed); END - Endemism; IWPA - Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 (Schedule I, II, III, IV, and V); CITES - Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (Appendix I, II and III); TN - Tamil Nadu; KL - Kerala; AP - Andhra Pradesh; WG - Western Ghats; PI - Peninsular India

Tamil Abstract: தமிழ்நாட்டில் காணப்படும் பாலூட்டி விலங்கினங்களின் பட்டியல் இப்பிரதியில் கொடுக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது. இவ்விலங்குகளின் சரியான ஆங்கில பெயர், அறிவியல் பெயர், வழக்கமான தமிழ் பெயர், சிறப்பின தன்மை, பன்னாட்டு இயற்கைப் பாதுகாப்புச் சங்கத்தின் செம்பட்டியல் (IUCN Red List), இந்திய வனவிலங்கு (பாதுகாப்பு) சட்ட அட்டவணை மற்றும் அருகிய இன காட்டு விலங்குகள் மற்றும் தாவரங்களின் பன்னாட்டு வர்த்தகம் பற்றிய மாநாடு பட்டியல் (CITES) ஆகியவை குறிப்பிடப்பட்டுள்ளது. மேலும், இவ்விலங்குகள் இந்தியாவின் மற்ற மாநிலங்களில் காணப்படுதல் மற்றும் தமிழக மேற்குத் தொடர்ச்சி மலைகள் மற்றும் அதன் சமவெளிகளில் காணப்படுதல் ஆகியவையும் குறிப்பிடப்பட்டுள்ளது. தமிழ்நாட்டில் காணப்படும் மொத்தம் 132 பாலூட்டி இனங்களின் முழு அறிவியல் குறிப்புகள் கொடுக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது.

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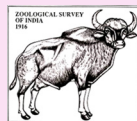
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INTRODUCTION

Taxonomic accounts on the mammals of Tamil Nadu were carried out along with other Indian mammals by many authors, viz., Jerdon (1867), Blanford (1888–1891), Pocock (1939, 1941), Bates & Harrison (1997), Nameer (2000), and systematic review done by Ellerman & Morrison-Scott (1951), Prater (1971), Corbet & Hill (1992), Menon (2003, 2014), and Johnsingh & Manjrekar (2013, 2015). Notably, the Mammal Survey of India of Bombay Natural History Society conducted the systematic mammal survey in different regions of India including Tamil Nadu from 1912 to 1923 and the results were published by Thomas (1914–1924), Wroughton (1913–1921), Ryley (1913–1914), Hinton (1918–1923), and Lindsay (1926). Sathasivam (1996, 1998) published regional checklists of mammals together for Tamil Nadu and Kerala states where he listed 168 species; however, he did not mention any separate list for Tamil Nadu State alone. Moreover, after 1998, no updated checklist of mammals is available for Tamil Nadu State despite many taxonomic and biogeographic revisions (Bates & Harrison 1997; Agrawal 2000; Johnsingh 2001; Nameer et al. 2001; Molur et al. 2005; Sridhar et al. 2008; Molur & Singh 2009), new records on smaller mammals (Pradhan et al. 1997; Vanitharani et al. 2003, 2005; Vanitharani 2006), molecular phylogeny studies on primates (Karanth et al. 2008; Nag et al. 2011), and on the genus *Hemitragus* (Ropiquet & Hassanin 2005) in Tamil Nadu and its neighbouring states. Therefore, we provide the updated checklist along with the distribution and conservation status of mammalian species of Tamil Nadu State based on the recorded evidence.

METHODS

The taxonomic arrangement of the species was primarily based on Wilson & Reeder (2005) and further updated using Wilson & Mittermeier (2009) and nomenclature of the species as per the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature (ICZN). The distribution of species in India (outside of Tamil Nadu State), and the current conservation status as per the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species, mammal species listed in the different schedules of the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and the appendices of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) are also provided.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

As Sathasivam (1996, 1998) provided a combined regional checklist of mammals for Tamil Nadu and Kerala, determining the mammal species only for Tamil Nadu is not possible from these checklists. Of the 168 species of mammals (136 terrestrial and 32 marine) provided by Sathasivam (1996, 1998), there are 29 species neither found in Tamil Nadu nor in Kerala, and 12 species found only in Kerala, but not in Tamil Nadu (Table 1). The nomenclatures of 11 species (Table 2) have been changed as per Wilson & Reeder (2005) and ICZN. Two species, namely Sahyadri Forest Rat *Rattus satarae* and Lenis Woolly Bat *Kerivoula lenis* (Vanitharani et al. 2003; Molur et al. 2005) have been included in the present checklist (Table 4), which were not listed in the earlier checklist. The current checklist also has additional details such as the updated nomenclature of species and their systematic account, prevalent vernacular names in Tamil, conservation status as per IUCN, IWPA and CITES, endemism, the distribution of species in India and the Western Ghats and plains of Tamil Nadu, and the complete bibliography for all species.

A total of 132 (108 terrestrial and 24 marine) species of mammals belonging to 12 orders and 37 families are listed in the present checklist (Table 4). Of the 108 terrestrial mammal species, 32 species are found only in the Western Ghats region of Tamil Nadu and remaining species are found both in the Western Ghats and the plains of Tamil Nadu. The order Chiroptera represents a maximum number of species (35 species) followed by Rodentia (28 species) and these two taxa jointly account for 47 percent of the total mammalian fauna in Tamil Nadu (Fig. 1; Table 3). A total of 32 species of marine mammals including *Platanista gangetica* Ganges River Dolphin have been reported from Indian waters so far (Kumaran 2002, 2012; Nameer 2016), of which, 24 species are distributed in Tamil Nadu State along the Bay of Bengal and the Indian Ocean. Out of 51 known endemic species of mammals in India (Johnsingh & Nameer 2015), 22 species are found in the Tamil Nadu, and 14 of which are endemic to the Western Ghats. Elvira Rat *Cremnomys elvira*, a Critically Endangered species found in Tamil Nadu State until now is known only from its type locality of Kurumbapatti, Salem District, in the Eastern Ghats of Tamil Nadu. The genera namely *Anathana*, *Latidens*, and *Nilgiritragus* are monotypic and found only in the Tamil Nadu and its neighbouring states across the Western Ghats. The Nilgiri Tahr *Nilgiritragus hylocrius*, the only wild goat endemic to the southern Western Ghats in Kerala and

Table 1. List of mammal species as mentioned by Sathasivam (1996, 1998) and their present systematic and distribution status.

	Name of the species as mentioned by Sathasivam (1996, 1998)	Present systematic and distribution status	References
	ORDER PRIMATES Family Cercopithecidae		
1.	<i>Semnopithecus entellus</i> Common or Hanuman Langur	<i>Semnopithecus entellus</i> split into seven species in India, of which two species (<i>S. hypoleucos</i> and <i>S. priam</i>) are known from TN	Karanth et al. (2008); Nag et al. (2011)
	ORDER RODENTIA Family Sciuridae		
2.	<i>Funambulus layardi</i> Layard's Striped Squirrel	Restricted to Sri Lanka	Molur et al. (2005)
	Family Muridae		
3.	<i>Mus dunni</i> Dunn's Mouse	Synonyms of <i>Mus terricolor</i> ; it is difficult to define, as it is often confused with <i>Mus booduga</i>	Musser & Carleton (2005)
4.	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i> Brown Rat or Norway Rat	Not native to India	Ruedas (2016)
5.	<i>Rattus ranjinae</i>	Distribution records from KL, not from TN	Molur et al. (2005)
	ORDER EULIPOTYPHLA Family Soricidae		
6.	<i>Suncus montanus</i>	<i>Suncus montanus</i> is restricted to Sri Lanka; the species found in TN is <i>Suncus niger</i>	Molur & Singh (2009)
7.	<i>Suncus stoliczkanus</i> Anderson's Shrew	No distribution either in TN or KL	Molur et al. (2005)
8.	<i>Suncus etruscus</i> Indian Pygmy Shrew	Distribution records from KL, not from TN	Molur et al. (2005)
9.	<i>Crocidura horsfieldi</i> Horsfield's Shrew	No distribution either in TN or KL	Molur et al. (2005)
	ORDER CHIROPTERA Family Rhinopomatidae		
10.	<i>Rhinopoma hardwickii</i> Lesser Mouse-tailed Bat	No distribution records from TN	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
11.	<i>Rhinopoma microphyllum</i> Greater Mouse-tailed Bat	Doubtful record	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
12.	<i>Rhinopoma muscatellum</i> Small Mouse-tailed Bat	No distribution either in TN or KL	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
	Family Emballonuridae		
13.	<i>Taphozous saccolaimus</i> Pouch-bearing Bat	Distribution records from KL, not from TN	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
14.	<i>Taphozous theobaldi</i> Theobald's Tomb Bat	Distribution records from KL, not from TN	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
	Family Rhinolophidae		
15.	<i>Rhinolophus affinis</i> Intermediate Horseshoe Bat	No exact locality	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
16.	<i>Rhinolophus luctus</i> Great Eastern or Woolly Horseshoe Bat or Large Leaf-Bat	Distribution records from KL, not from TN	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
17.	<i>Rhinolophus pusillus</i> Least Horseshoe Bat	Distribution records from KL, not from TN	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
18.	<i>Rhinolophus beddomei</i> Lesser Woolly Horeshoe Bat	Distribution records from KL, not from TN	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
	Family Hipposideridae		
19.	<i>Hipposideros galeritus</i> Cantor's Leaf-nosed Bat or Fawn Leaf-nosed Bat	No distribution records from TN	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
20.	<i>Hipposideros lankadiva</i> Kelaart's Leaf-nosed Bat	No distribution either in TN or KL	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
21.	<i>Hipposideros hypophyllus</i> Kolar Leaf-nosed Bat	No distribution either in TN or KL	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
	Family Molossidae		
22.	<i>Otomops wroughtoni</i> Wroughton's Free-tailed Bat	No distribution either in TN or KL	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)

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	Family Vespertilionidae		
23.	<i>Tylonycteris pachypus</i> Bamboo Bat or Flat-headed Bat	Distribution records from KL, not from TN	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
24.	<i>Myotis hasseltii</i> Van Hasselt's Bat	No distribution either in TN or KL	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
25.	<i>Kerivoula hardwickii</i> Hardwicke's Forest Bat	No distribution either in TN or KL	Bates & Harrison (1997); Molur et al. (2002)
	ORDER CARNIVORA Family Canidae		
26.	<i>Canis lupus</i> Indian Gray Wolf	Known only from historic records	Prater (1971)
	Family Mustelidae		
27.	<i>Lutra lutra</i> Common or Eurasian Otter	Known only from historic records	Jerdon 1867; Blanford 1888–1891; Pocock 1941; Prater 1971
	Family Viverridae		
28.	<i>Viverra civettina</i> Malabar Civet	Known only from historic records from KL. However, recent studies have ruled out the distribution from KL and TN.	Nandini & Mudappa (2010)
	Family Herpestidae		
29.	<i>Herpestes javanicus</i> Small Asian Mongoose	No distribution either in TN or KL	Patou et al. (2009)
	Family Felidae		
30.	<i>Prionailurus viverrinus</i> Fishing Cat	Known only from historic records and recent studies ruled out its presence from southern India.	Mukherjee et al. (2012); Janardhanan et al. (2014)
	ORDER ARTIODACTYLA Family Bovidae		
31.	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i> Nilgai	Known only from historic records	Prater (1971); Sankar and Johnsingh (2015)
	Order CETACEA Family Delphinidae		
32.	<i>Lagenodelphis hosei</i> Fraser's Dolphin	No records from India	Sathasivam (2000)
33.	<i>Orcaella brevirostris</i> Irrawady Dolphin	No distribution either in TN or KL; there was a record of one live animal stranded on the Chennai coast after cyclone	Sathasivam (2000)
34.	<i>Feresa attenuata</i> Pygmy Killer Whale	Distribution records from KL, not from TN	Nameer (2015)
35.	<i>Mesoplodon ginkgodens</i> Ginkgo-toothed Beaked or Japanese Beaked Whale	Distribution records from KL, not from TN	Nameer (2015)
	Family Ziphiidae		
36.	<i>Mesoplodon pacificus</i> Longman's Beaked Whale	No records from India	Sathasivam (2000)
37.	<i>Mesoplodon densirostris</i> Blainville's Beaked Whale	No records either from TN or KL	Sathasivam (2000)
38.	<i>Hyperoodon planifrons</i> Southern Bottlenose Whale	No records either from TN or KL	Sathasivam (2000)
39.	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i> Bottlenose Dolphin or Bottle-nosed Dolphin	The species reported from India is <i>Tursiops aduncus</i> not <i>T. truncatus</i>	Wang et al. (2014)
40.	<i>Delphinus delphis</i> Common Dolphin	The species reported from India is <i>Delphinus capensis</i> not <i>D. delphis</i>	Jayasankar et al. (2008)
	Family Balaenidae		
41.	<i>Balaena glacialis</i> Black or Northern Right Whale	No records either from TN or KL	Sathasivam (2000)

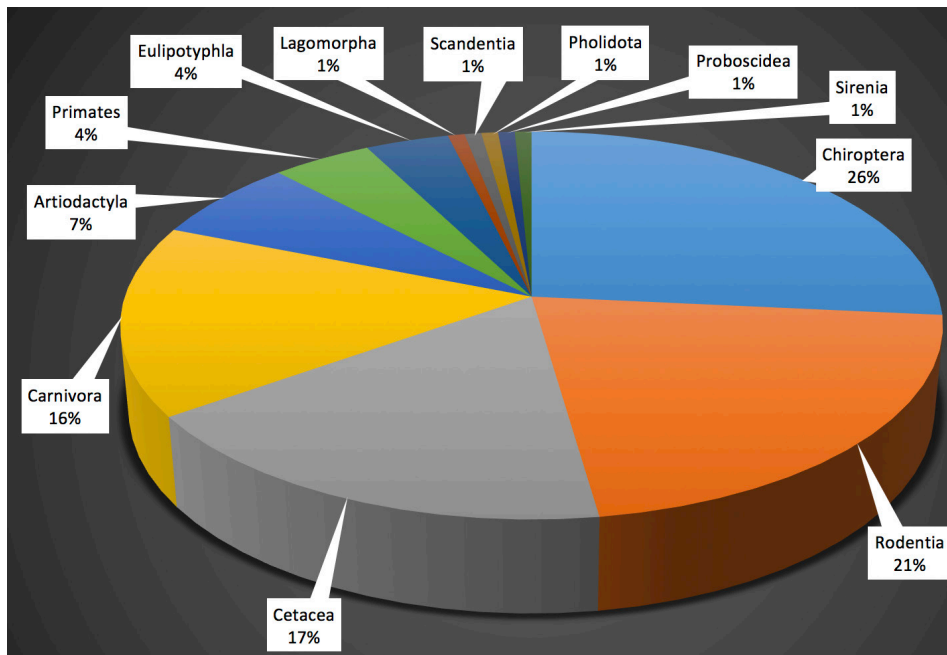


Figure 1. Percentage frequency of mammalian species of Tamil Nadu in different orders of class Mammalia.

Table 2. Mammal species as mentioned by Sathasivam (1996, 1998) and their current nomenclature as per Wilson & Reeder (2005) and ICZN.

	Name of the species as mentioned by Sathasivam (1996, 1998)	Current nomenclature as per Wilson & Reeder (2005) and ICZN
1.	<i>Cremnomys blanfordi</i> Blanfords' Rat or White-tailed Wood Rat	<i>Madromys blanfordi</i> Blanford's Rat
2.	<i>Paraechinus micropus</i> Pale or Indian Hedgehog	<i>Paraechinus nudiventris</i> Bare-bellied Hedgehog
3.	<i>Pipistrellus affinis</i> Chocolate Bat	<i>Falsistrellus affinis</i> Chocolate Pipistrelle
4.	<i>Pipistrellus dormeri</i> Dormer's Bat	<i>Scotozous dormeri</i> Dormer's Pipistrelle
5.	<i>Tadarida plicata</i> Wrinkle-lipped Free-tailed Bat	<i>Chaerephon plicatus</i> Wrinkle-lipped Free-tailed Bat
6.	<i>Ursus ursinus</i> Sloth Bear	<i>Melursus ursinus</i> Sloth Bear
7.	<i>Martes flavigula</i> Nilgiri Marten or Nilgiri Yellow-throated Marten	<i>Martes gwatkinsii</i> Nilgiri Marten
8.	<i>Moschiola meminna</i> Indian Mouse-Deer or Chevrotain	<i>Moschiola indica</i> Indian Chevrotain
9.	<i>Cervus unicolor</i> Sambar	<i>Rusa unicolor</i> Sambar
10.	<i>Hemitragus hyllocrius</i> Nilgiri Tahr	<i>Nilgiritragus hyllocrius</i> Nilgiri Tahr
11.	<i>Kogia simus</i> Dwarf Sperm Whale	<i>Kogia sima</i> Dwarf Sperm Whale

Tamil Nadu, was accorded the status of State Animal of Tamil Nadu (Gazette Notification of the Government of Tamil Nadu, 1988).

The checklist of mammals of any particular region needs to be periodically updated as the number of species changes due to new discoveries, taxonomic revisions and molecular phylogeny studies (Wilson & Reeder 2005). Recently, Nameer (2015, 2016) provided a comprehensive checklist of mammals of Kerala, and the information on mammals of both Tamil Nadu (present checklist) and Kerala together will help in understating the mammal diversity of southern Western Ghats. Moreover, the present checklist would help the researchers and state forest and wildlife managers to plan conservation strategies to manage the mammals in Tamil Nadu.

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Table 3. A total number of mammalian species of Tamil Nadu in different orders of class Mammalia and their conservation status as per the IUCN, IWPA and CITES.

Order of class Mammalia	No. of species
Chiroptera	35
Rodentia	28
Cetacea	23
Carnivora	21
Artiodactyla	9
Primates	6
Eulipotyphla	5
Lagomorpha	1
Scandentia	1
Pholidota	1
Proboscidea	1
Sirenia	1
IUCN Red List Threatened Species (2019)	
Critically Endangered	1
Endangered	14
Vulnerable	17
Near Threatened	8
Least Concern	82
Data Deficient	9
Not Assessed	1
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Table 4. Checklist of mammals of Tamil Nadu.

English name	Species name	Authority	Tamil name (குமிழ் பெயர்)	Vernacular name	WG / Plains of TN	END	IUCN	IWPA	CITES
TERRESTRIAL MAMMALS (நிலை பாலூட்டிகள்)									
I. ORDER PROBOSCIDEA									
1. Family Elephantidae (elephants)									
1 Asiatic Elephant (Indian Elephant) ¹	<i>Elephas maximus</i>	Linnaeus, 1758	யானை	யானை	Both		EN	I	I
II. ORDER SCANDENTIA									
2. Family Tupaiidae (tree shrews)									
2 Madras Treeshrew (Indian Tree Shrew) ²	<i>Anathana ellioti</i>	(Waterhouse, 1850)	சென்னை மர மூஞ்சூறு	சென்னை மர மூஞ்சூறு	Both	PI	LC		II
III. ORDER PRIMATES									
3. Family Loridae (lorises)									
3 Gray Slender Loris (Highland Slender Loris) ³	<i>Loris lydekkerianus</i>	Cabrera, 1908	தேவாங்கு	தேவாங்கு	Both		LC	I	II
4. Family Cercopithecoidea (old world monkeys)									
4 Bonnet Macaque (Zati) ⁴	<i>Macaca radiata</i>	(E. Geoffroy, 1812)	குரங்கு	குரங்கு	Both	PI	LC	II	II
5 Lion-tailed Macaque (Wanderoo) ⁵	<i>Macaca silenus</i>	(Linnaeus, 1758)	சிங்க-வால் குரங்கு	சிங்க-வால் குரங்கு	WG	WG	EN	I	I
6 Black-footed Gray Langur (Malabar Sacred Langur) ⁶	<i>Semnopithecus hypoleucos</i>	Blyth, 1841	கருப்பு-கால் சாம்பல் நிற குரங்கு	கருப்பு-கால் சாம்பல் நிற குரங்கு	WG	WG	VU		I
7 Tufted Gray Langur (Coromandel Sacred Langur) ⁷	<i>Semnopithecus priam</i>	Blyth, 1844	நூற்குஞ்சு முள்ள சாம்பல் நிற குரங்கு	நூற்குஞ்சு முள்ள சாம்பல் நிற குரங்கு	Both		NT		I
8 Nilgiri Langur (Nilgiri Leaf Monkey) ⁸	<i>Semnopithecus johnii</i>	(J. Fischer, 1829)	கருங்குரங்கு	கருங்குரங்கு	WG	WG	VU	I	II
IV. ORDER RODENTIA									
5. Family Sciuridae (squirrels)									
9 Indian Giant Squirrel (Malabar Giant Squirrel) ⁹	<i>Ratufa indica</i>	(Erxleben, 1777)	மலபார் அணில்	மலபார் அணில்	Both	PI	LC	II	II
10 Grizzled Giant Squirrel (Sri Lankan Giant Squirrel) ¹⁰	<i>Ratufa macroura</i>	Pennant, 1769	நரைத்த அணில்	நரைத்த அணில்	Both		NT	I	II
11 Indian Giant Flying Squirrel (Large Brown Flying Squirrel) ¹¹	<i>Petaurista philippensis</i>	(Elliott, 1839)	இந்திய பறக்கும் அணில்	இந்திய பறக்கும் அணில்	Both		LC	II	
12 Travancore Flying Squirrel ¹²	<i>Petinomys fuscocapillus</i>	(Jerdon, 1847)	திருவாங்கூர் பறக்கும் அணில்	திருவாங்கூர் பறக்கும் அணில்	WG		NT	I	
13 Indian Palm Squirrel (Three-striped Palm Squirrel) ¹³	<i>Funambulus palmarum</i>	(Linnaeus, 1766)	மூன்று பட்டைக் கோட்ட அணில்	மூன்று பட்டைக் கோட்ட அணில்	Both		LC		
14 Nilgiri Palm Squirrel (Dusky Palm Squirrel) ¹⁴	<i>Funambulus sublineatus</i>	(Waterhouse, 1838)	மங்கிய பட்டைக் கோட்ட அணில்	மங்கிய பட்டைக் கோட்ட அணில்	WG		VU		
15 Jungle Palm Squirrel (Western Ghats Striped Squirrel) ¹⁵	<i>Funambulus tristriatus</i>	(Waterhouse, 1837)	ஐங்கிள் பட்டைக் கோட்ட அணில்	ஐங்கிள் பட்டைக் கோட்ட அணில்	WG	WG	LC		

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16	6. Family Platacanthomyidae (spiny dormouse) Spiny Tree Mouse (Spiny Dormouse) ¹⁶	<i>Platacanthomys lasiurus</i>	Blyth, 1859	முள் மர எலி	Mul Mara Eli	WG	WG	VU	V	
17	7. Family Muridae (rats and mice) Indian Gerbil (Antelope Rat) ¹⁷	<i>Tatera indica</i>	(Hardwicke, 1807)	இந்திய கொம்பில் எலி	Intiya Kerpil Eli	Both		LC	V	
18	Lesser Bandicoot Rat (Indian Mole Rat) ¹⁸	<i>Bandicota bengalensis</i>	(Gray, 1835)	சிறிய பெருச்சாளி	Ciriya Peruccāli	Both		LC	V	
19	Greater Bandicoot Rat (Large Bandicoot Rat) ¹⁸	<i>Bandicota indica</i>	(Bechstein, 1800)	பெரிய பெருச்சாளி	Periya Peruccāli	Both		LC	V	
20	Cutch Rock Rat ¹⁹	<i>Cremnomys cutchicus</i>	Wroughton, 1912	கடல் பாறை எலி	Kaṭṭ Paṛai Eli	Plains	PI	LC	V	
21	Large Rock Rat (Elvira Rat) ²⁰	<i>Cremnomys elvira</i>	(Ellerman, 1946)	பெரிய பாறை எலி	Periya Pārai Eli	Plains	TN	CR	V	
22	Indian Bush Rat ¹⁸	<i>Golunda ellioti</i>	Gray, 1837	இந்திய புதர் எலி	Intiya Putar Eli	Both		LC	V	
23	Blandford's Rat (White-tailed Wood Rat) ²¹	<i>Madromys blanfordi</i>	(Thomas, 1881)	வெள்ளை வால் எலி	Veiljai Vāi Eli	Both		LC	V	
24	Common Metad (Soft-furred Field Rat) ²¹	<i>Millardia melitad</i>	(Gray, 1837)	மெட்டி எலி	Mettatu Eli	Both		LC	V	
25	Little Indian Field Mouse (Common Indian Field Mouse) ¹⁸	<i>Mus booduga</i>	(Gray, 1837)	இந்திய சிறிய கள் கண்டெலி	Intiya Ciriya Kala Cuṅṅel	Both		LC	V	
26	Cook's Mouse (Ryley's Spiny Mouse) ²³	<i>Mus cookii</i>	Ryley, 1914	குக்கிள் கண்டெலி	Kukki-ṅ Cuṅṅeli	WG		LC	V	
27	Bonhote's Mouse (Servant Mouse) ²⁴	<i>Mus famulus</i>	Bonhote, 1898	சேவைலக்கார கண்டெலி	Vēlaiikkāra Cuṅṅeli	WG	WG	EN	V	
28	House Mouse ¹⁸	<i>Mus musculus</i>	Linnaeus, 1758	வீட்டு கண்டெலி	Vīṭṭu Cuṅṅeli	Both		LC	V	
29	Phillips's Mouse (Wroughton's Small Spiny Mouse) ²⁵	<i>Mus philipsi</i>	Wroughton, 1912	பிலிப்ஸ்-ன் கண்டெலி	Pilips-ṅ Cuṅṅeli	Plains	PI	LC	V	
30	Flat-haired Mouse (Brown Spiny Mouse) ²⁶	<i>Mus platythrix</i>	Bennett, 1832	பழுப்பு முள் கண்டெலி	Paḷuppu Muḷ Cuṅṅeli	Both	PI	LC	V	
31	Elliot's Spiny Mouse (Rock-loving Mouse) ²⁷	<i>Mus saxicola</i>	Elliot, 1839	பாறை வாழ் கண்டெலி	Pārai Vāḷ Cuṅṅeli	Both		LC	V	
32	Common House Rat (Black Rat) ²⁸	<i>Rattus rattus</i>	(Linnaeus, 1758)	வீட்டு எலி	Vīṭṭu Eli	Both		LC	V	
33	Sahyadris Forest Rat ²⁹	<i>Rattus satarae</i>	Hinton, 1918	ஓயாத்ரிக் கள் வன எலி	Ṣayāṭṛikkal Vana Eli	WG	WG	VU	V	
34	Nilgiri Long-tailed Tree Mouse (Nilgiri vandeleuria) ³⁰	<i>Vandeleuria nilagrica</i>	Jerdon, 1867	நிலகிரி நீண்ட வாலுடைய மர எலி	Nīlakiri Nīṅṅa Vāḷutaiya Mara Eli	WG	WG	EN	V	
35	Asiatic Long-tailed Tree Mouse (Common Vandeleuria) ¹⁸	<i>Vandeleuria oleracea</i>	(Bennett, 1832)	ஆசிய நீண்ட வாலுடைய மர எலி	Āciya Nīṅṅa Vāḷutaiya Mara Eli	Both		LC	V	
36	8. Family Hystricidae (porcupines) Indian Crested Porcupine (Indian porcupine) ³¹	<i>Hystrix indica</i>	Kerr, 1792	முள்ளம்பன்றி	Mullampaṅṅi	Both		LC	IV	
37	Black-naped Hare (Indian Hare) ³¹ VI. ORDER EUPIPTYPLIA 10. Family Erinaceidae (hedgehogs)	<i>Lepus nigricollis</i>	F. Cuvier, 1823	காட்டு முயல்	Kāṭṭu muyal	Both		LC	IV	

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38	Bare-bellied Hedgehog (Madras Hedgehog) ³²	<i>Paraechinus nudiventris</i>	(Horsfield, 1851)	முள்ளெலி	Mujjeli	Both	TN, KL & AP	LC		
	11. Family Soricidae (shrews)									
39	Kelaart's Long-clawed Shrew ³³	<i>Feroculus feroculus</i>	(Kelaart, 1850)	கீலார்ட்-ன் நீண்ட விரல் மூஞ்சூறு	Kiārt-ṅ Nīṅṅa Viral Mūñčūru	WG		EN		
40	Day's Shrew ³⁴	<i>Suncus dayi</i>	(Dobson, 1888)	டே-ன் மூஞ்சூறு	Tē-ṅ Mūñčūru	WG	WG	EN		
41	Nilgiri Highland Shrew ³⁵	<i>Suncus niger</i>	Horsfield, 1851	நீலகிரி மோட்டு மூஞ்சூறு	Nīlakiri Mōṭṭu Mūñčūru	WG	WG	NA		
42	Asian Musk Shrew (House Shrew) ³⁶	<i>Suncus murinus</i>	(Linnaeus, 1766)	ஆசிய கஸ்தூரி மூஞ்சூறு	Āciya Kaṣṭūri Mūñčūru	Both		LC		
	VII. ORDER CHIROPTERA									
	12. Family Pteropodidae (flying foxes)									
43	Lesser Short-nosed Fruit Bat (Common Short-nosed Fruit Bat) ³⁷	<i>Cynopterus brachyotis</i>	(Müller, 1838)	சிறிய குறுகிய-மூக்கு பழ வெளவால்	Ciriya Kurukiya-mūkku Paja Velavāl	Both		LC	V	
44	Greater Short-nosed Fruit Bat (Short-nosed Indian Fruit Bat) ³⁸	<i>Cynopterus sphinx</i>	(Vahl, 1797)	பெரிய குறுகிய-மூக்கு பழ வெளவால்	Periya Kurukiya-mūkku Paja Velavāl	Both		LC	V	
45	Lesser Dawn Bat (Common Nectar Bat) ³⁹	<i>Eonycteris spelaea</i>	(Dobson, 1871)	மலர்ந்த இதன் வெளவால்	Malart Tēṅ Velavāl	WG		LC	V	
46	Salim Ali's Fruit Bat ⁴⁰	<i>Latidens salimalii</i>	Thonglongya, 1972	சலீம் அலி-ன் பழ வெளவால்	Calim Ali-ṅ Paja Velavāl	WG	WG	EN	I	
47	Indian Flying Fox (Greater Indian Fruit Bat) ³⁸	<i>Pteropus giganteus</i>	(Brünnich, 1782)	இந்திய பெரிய பழ வெளவால்	Intiya Periya Paja Velavāl	Both		LC	V	II
48	Leschenault's Rousette (Shorridge's Rousette) ³⁸	<i>Rousettus leschenaultii</i>	(Desmarest, 1820)	லீஸ்சௌல்டு-ன் ரூசெட்-டே வெளவால்	Līṣeṅāiṭṭu-ṅ Rūcēṭṭē Velavāl	Both		LC	V	
	13. Family Rhinolophidae (horseshoe bats)									
49	Blyth's Horseshoe Bat ⁴¹	<i>Rhinolophus lepidus</i>	Blyth, 1844	பிளைத்-ன் குதிரை லாட வெளவால்	Pilait-ṅ Kutirai Lāṭa Velavāl	Both		LC		
50	Rufous Horseshoe Bat ⁴²	<i>Rhinolophus rouxii</i>	Temminck, 1835	ரூஃபஸ் குதிரை லாட வெளவால்	Rūhpas Kutirai Lāṭa Velavāl	Both		LC		
	14. Family Hipposideridae (old world leaf-nosed bats)									
51	Dusky Leaf-nosed Bat (Bi-coloured Leaf-nosed Bat) ⁴³	<i>Hipposideros ater</i>	Templeton, 1848	மங்கிய இலை மூக்கு வெளவால்	Mankiya Ilai Mūkku Velavāl	Both		LC		
52	Fulvous Leaf-nosed Bat (Fulvous Roundleaf Bat) ⁴⁴	<i>Hipposideros fulvus</i>	Gray, 1838	ஃபுலவஸ் இலை மூக்கு வெளவால்	Hpūlvus Ilai Mūkku Velavāl	Both		LC		
53	Pomona Leaf-nosed Bat (Andersen's Leaf-nosed Bat) ⁴⁵	<i>Hipposideros pomona</i>	K. Andersen, 1918	பொமோனா இலை மூக்கு வெளவால்	Pomōṅṅā Ilai Mūkku Velavāl	Both		LC		
54	Schneider's Leaf-nosed Bat (Schneider's Roundleaf Bat) ⁴⁶	<i>Hipposideros speoris</i>	(Schneider, 1800)	ஸ்சைனடர்-ன் இலை மூக்கு வெளவால்	Sṅaitara-ṅ Ilai Mūkku Velavāl	Both		LC		
	15. Family Megadermatidae (false vampire bats)									
55	Greater False Vampire Bat (Indian False Vampire Bat) ⁴⁷	<i>Megaderma lyra</i>	É. Geoffroy, 1810	பெரிய காட்டேரி வெளவால்	Periya Kāṭṭēri Velavāl	Both		LC		

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56	Lesser False Vampire Bat (Common Asian Ghost Bat) ³⁸	<i>Megaderma spasma</i>	(Linnaeus, 1758)	சிறிய காட்டுக் கொம்பு	Ciriyā Kāṭṭeri Velavāi	WG		LC		
57	16. Family Emballonuridae (sac-winged bats)									
57	Long-winged Tomb Bat ⁶⁰	<i>Taphozous longimanus</i>	Hardwicke, 1825	நீண்ட சிறகு கல்லறை வெள்வால்	Nīṇṇa Ciraku Kallairai Velavāi	Both		LC		
58	Black-bearded Tomb Bat ⁶⁰	<i>Taphozous melanopogon</i>	Temminck, 1841	கருப்பு-தாடி கல்லறை வெள்வால்	Karuppu-tāṭi Kallairai Velavāi	Both		LC		
59	Naked-rumped Tomb Bat ⁶¹	<i>Taphozous nudiventris</i>	Cretzschmar, 1830	திறந்த ரம்பட்டு கல்லறை வெள்வால்	Iraṇṭa Ramṭṭu Kallairai Velavāi	Plains		LC		
60	17. Family Molossididae (free-tailed bats)									
60	Wrinkle-tipped Free-tailed Bat (Wrinkle-tipped Bat) ⁶²	<i>Chaerephon plicatus</i>	(Buchannan, 1800)	மடிப்பு-உத்து வாலற்ற வெள்வால்	Maṭṭippu-uttatu Vālarra Velavāi	Plains		LC		
61	Egyptian Free-tailed Bat (Egyptian Nyctinome) ⁶³	<i>Tadarida aegyptiaca</i>	(E. Geoffroy, 1818)	எகிப்திய வாலற்ற வெள்வால்	Ekiptiya Vālarra Velavāi	Both		LC		
62	18. Family Vespertilionidae (evening bats)									
62	Tickell's Bat ⁶⁴	<i>Hesperoptenus tickelli</i>	(Blyth, 1851)	டிக்கிள்ஸ்-ன் வெள்வால்	Tikkiils-ṇ Velavāi	WG		LC		
63	Greater Asiatic Yellow House Bat (Asiatic Greater Yellow House Bat) ⁶⁵	<i>Scotophilus heathii</i>	(Horsfield, 1831)	ஆசிய பெரிய மஞ்சள் வீட்டு வெள்வால்	Āciya Periya Mañcaḷ Vīṭṭu Velavāi	Both		LC		
64	Lesser Asiatic Yellow Bat (Lesser Asian House Bat) ⁶⁵	<i>Scotophilus kuhlii</i>	Leach, 1821	ஆசிய சிறிய மஞ்சள் வீட்டு வெள்வால்	Āciya Ciriya Mañcaḷ Vīṭṭu Velavāi	Both		LC		
65	Kelaart's Pipistrelle ⁶⁶	<i>Pipistrellus ceylonicus</i>	(Kelaart, 1852)	கீலார்டு-ன் பீபீஸ்டூர்லே வெள்வால்	Kīlārtu-ṇ Pipiṣṭurilē Velavāi	Both		LC		
66	Indian Pipistrelle (Little Indian Bat) ⁶⁷	<i>Pipistrellus coromandra</i>	(Gray, 1838)	இந்திய பீபீஸ்டூர்லே வெள்வால்	Intiya Pipiṣṭurilē Velavāi	Both		LC		
67	Least Pipistrelle (Indian Pygmy Bat) ⁶⁸	<i>Pipistrellus tenuis</i>	(Temminck, 1840)	மீச்சிறு பீபீஸ்டூர்லே வெள்வால்	Mīcciru Pipiṣṭurilē Velavāi	Both		LC		
68	Dormer's Pipistrelle (Dormer's Bat) ⁶⁸	<i>Scotozous dormeri</i>	Dobson, 1875	டோர்மெர்-ன் பீபீஸ்டூர்லே வெள்வால்	Tōrmer-ṇ Pipiṣṭurilē Velavāi	Both		LC		
69	Chocolate Pipistrelle (Grizzled Pipistrelle) ⁶⁸	<i>Falsistrellus affinis</i>	(Dobson, 1871)	சாக்லேட் பீபீஸ்டூர்லே வெள்வால்	Cākḷēṭ Pipiṣṭurilē Velavāi	WG		LC		
70	Horsfield's Myotis (Lesser Large-tooth Bat) ⁶⁹	<i>Myotis horsfieldii</i>	(Temminck, 1840)	ஹார்ஸ்டூர்-ன் பீபீஸ்டூர்லே வெள்வால்	Hārsipiyēṭṭu-ṇ Mīyōṭis Velavāi	Both		LC		
71	Burmese Whiskered Myotis (Large Brown Myotis) ⁶⁰	<i>Myotis montivagus</i>	(Dobson, 1874)	பூர்மீஸ் பீபீஸ்டூர்லே வெள்வால்	Pārmis Mīcaṭaiya Mīyōṭis Velavāi	WG		LC		
72	Small Long-fingered Bat (Nicobar Long-fingered Bat) ⁷¹	<i>Miniopterus pusillus</i>	Dobson, 1876	சிறிய நீண்ட விரலுள்ள வெள்வால்	Ciriya Nīṇṇa Vīraluḷḷa Velavāi	WG		LC		
73	Schreiber's Long-fingered Bat ⁶²	<i>Miniopterus schreibersii</i>	(Kuhl, 1817)	ஸ்சரைபர்ஸ்-ன் நீண்ட விரலுள்ள வெள்வால்	Sraipars-ṇ Nīṇṇa Vīraluḷḷa Velavāi	Plains		NT		
74	Lesser Hairy-winged Bat (Hairy-winged Bat) ⁶³	<i>Harpiacephalus harpia</i>	(Temminck, 1840)	சிறிய முடியுடைய சிறகு வெள்வால்	Ciriya Muṭiyuṭaiya Cīraku Velavāi	WG		LC		
75	Round-eared Tube-nosed Bat ⁶⁴	<i>Murina cyclotis</i>	Dobson, 1872	வட்ட-காது குழாய் மூக்கு வெள்வால்	Vaṭṭa-kātu Kuḷāy Mūḷku Velavāi	Both		LC		

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76	Lenis Woolly Bat ⁶⁵	<i>Kerivoula lenis</i>	Thomas, 1916	லெனிஸ் ரோம பேளவால்	Lenis Rōma Velavāi	WG		LC		
77	Painted Woolly Bat (Painted Bat) ⁶⁶	<i>Kerivoula picta</i>	(Pallas, 1767)	வான் ரோம வெளவால்	Varna Rōma Velavāi	WG		LC		
	VIII. ORDER PHOLIDOTA									
	19. Family Manidae (pangolins)									
78	Indian Pangolin (Scaly Anteater) ⁶⁷	<i>Manis crassicaudata</i>	E. Geoffroy, 1803	எறுமடபண்ணி	Eṟumpuṇṇi	Both		EN	I	I
	IX. ORDER CARNIVORA									
	20. Family Felidae (cats)									
79	Jungle Cat (Swamp Cat) ⁶⁸	<i>Felis chaus</i>	Schreber, 1777	காட்டு பூனை	Kāṭṭu Pūnai	Both		LC	II	II
80	Leopard Cat ⁶⁹	<i>Prionailurus bengalensis</i>	(Kerr, 1792)	கிறுத்தை பூனை	Āiṉṉai Pūnai	Both		LC	I	I
81	Rusty-spotted Cat ⁷⁰	<i>Prionailurus rubiginosus</i>	(I. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1831)	துருஏறிய நிற- புள்ளிகளுடைய பூனை	Turu'ēriya Nira -puṇṇikalutaiya Pūnai	Both		VU	I	I
82	Leopard (Panther) ⁷¹	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	(Linnaeus, 1758)	கிறுத்தை	Āiṉṉai	Both		NT	I	I
83	Tiger (Royal Bengal Tiger) ⁷²	<i>Panthera tigris</i>	(Linnaeus, 1758)	புலி	Puli	WG		EN	I	I
	21. Family Viverridae (viverrids)									
84	Asian Palm Civet (Mentawai Palm Civet) ⁷³	<i>Paradoxurus hermaphroditus</i>	(Pallas, 1777)	ஆசிய பாம்பு பூனை	Āsiya Pāmpu Pūnai	Both		LC	II	III
85	Jerdon's Palm Civet (Brown Palm Civet) ⁷⁴	<i>Paradoxurus jerdoni</i>	Bianford, 1885	ஜெர்ந்தோன்-ன் பாம்பு பூனை	Jerṉṉō-n Pāmpu Pūnai	WG	WG	LC	II	III
86	Small Indian Civet (Oriental Civet) ⁷⁵	<i>Viverricula indica</i>	(E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1803)	இந்திய சிறிய புலி பூனை	Inṉṉiya Cīriya Pūnai	Both		LC	II	III
	22. Family Herpestidae (mongooses)									
87	Grey Mongoose (Common Mongoose) ⁷⁶	<i>Herpestes edwardsii</i>	(E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1818)	சாம்பல் நிற கிரிப்பிளை	Cāmpal Nira Kīrippilāi	Both		LC	II	III
88	Indian Brown Mongoose (Brown Mongoose) ⁷⁷	<i>Herpestes fuscus</i>	Waterhouse, 1838	பழுப்பு நிற கிரிப்பிளை	Paḷuppu Nira Kīrippilāi	WG		VU	II	III
89	Ruddy Mongoose ⁷⁸	<i>Herpestes smithii</i>	Gray, 1837	கிவந்த கிரிப்பிளை	Civanta Kīrippilāi	Both		LC	II	III
90	Stripe-necked Mongoose (Striped-necked Mongoose) ⁷⁷	<i>Herpestes vitticollis</i>	Bennett, 1835	கழுத்து-கோட்ட கிரிப்பிளை	Kaluttu-Āōṭṭa Kīrippilāi	WG		LC	II	III
91	Striped Hyena (Hyena) ⁷⁹	<i>Hyaena hyaena</i>	(Linnaeus, 1758)	கழுதைப்புலி	Kalutaippuli	Both		NT	III	III
	24. Family Canidae (dogs)									
92	Golden Jackal (Jackal) ⁸⁰	<i>Canis aureus</i>	Linnaeus, 1758	நரி	Nari	Both		LC	II	III
93	Dhole (Wild Dog) ⁸¹	<i>Cuon alpinus</i>	(Pallas, 1811)	செந்நாய்	Cennāy	WG		EN	II	II
94	Bengal Fox (Indian Fox) ⁸²	<i>Vulpes bengalensis</i>	(Shaw, 1800)	குள்ள நரி	Kuḷḷa Nari	Both		LC	II	III
	25. Family Ursidae (bears)									

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95	Sloth Bear (Labiated Bear) ⁸³	<i>Melursus ursinus</i>	(Shaw, 1791)	கரடி	Karati	Both		VU	I	I
	26. Family Mustelidae (badgers, martens, otters)									
96	Oriental Small-clawed Otter (Asian Small-clawed Otter) ⁸⁴	<i>Aonyx cinerea</i>	(Illiger, 1815)	சிறிய நகங்களுடைய நிர்ப்பு	சிர்யா நகன்கலுதாயா நிர்ப்பு	Both		VU	I	II
97	Smooth-coated Otter (Indian Smooth-coated Otter) ⁸⁵	<i>Lutrogale perspicillata</i>	(J. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1826)	மென்மையான சரும நிர்ப்பு	மென்மையான-சரும நிர்ப்பு	Both		VU	II	II
98	Nilgiri Marten ⁸⁶	<i>Martes gwatkinsii</i>	Horsfield, 1851	நீலகிரி கீரி	நிலகிரி கீரி	WG	WG	VU	II	III
99	Honey Badger (Ratel) ⁸⁷	<i>Mellivora capensis</i>	(Schreber, 1776)	தேன்வளைக்கரடி	தேன்வளைக்கரடி	Both		LC	I	
	X. ORDER ARTIODACTYLA									
	27. Family Suidae (pigs)									
100	Wild Boar (Wild Pig) ⁸⁸	<i>Sus scrofa</i>	Linnaeus, 1758	காட்டுப்பன்றி	காட்டுப்பன்றி	Both		LC	III	
	28. Family Tragulidae (mouse deer)									
101	Indian Chevrotain (Mouse Deer) ⁸⁹	<i>Moschiola indica</i>	Gray, 1852	சருகு மாள்	சருகு மாள்	Both		LC	I	
	29. Family Cervidae (deer)									
102	Chital (Spotted Deer) ⁹⁰	<i>Axis axis</i>	(Erxleben, 1777)	புள்ளி மாள்	புள்ளி மாள்	Both		LC	III	
103	Indian Muntjac (Barking Deer) ⁹¹	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>	(Zimmermann, 1780)	குரைக்கும் மாள்	குரைக்கும் மாள்			LC	III	
104	Sambar (Sambar Deer) ⁹²	<i>Rusa unicolor</i>	(Kerr, 1792)	கடா மாள்	கடா மாள்	Both		VU	III	
	30. Family Bovidae (bovids)									
105	Blackbuck (Indian Antelope) ⁹³	<i>Antelope cervicapra</i>	(Linnaeus, 1758)	கலைமாள்	கலைமாள்	Both		NT	I	
106	Gaur (Indian Bison) ⁹⁴	<i>Bos gaurus</i>	C.H. Smith, 1827	காட்டு எருமை	காட்டு எருமை	WG		VU	I	I
107	Four-horned Antelope (Chousingha) ⁹⁵	<i>Tetracerus quadricornis</i>	(de Blainville, 1816)	நான்கு கொம்பு மாள்	நான்கு கொம்பு மாள்	Both		VU	I	
108	Nilgiri Tahr (Nilgiri Ibex) ⁹⁶	<i>Nilgiritragus hyalocrius</i>	(Ogilby, 1838)	வரையாடு	வரையாடு	WG	WG	EN	I	
	MARINE MAMMALS (கடல் பாலூட்டிகள்)									
	XI. ORDER SIRENIA									
	31. Family Dugongidae (Dugongs)									
109	Dugong (Sea Cow) ⁹⁷	<i>Dugong dugon</i>	(Muller, 1776)	கடல் பசு	கடல் பசு			VU	I	I
	XII. ORDER CETACEA									
	32. Family Delphinidae (marine dolphins)									
110	Long-beaked Common Dolphin ⁹⁸	<i>Delphinus capensis</i>	Gray, 1828	நீண்ட மூக்கு டாலபின்	நீண்ட மூக்கு டாலபின்			DD	II	II
111	Short-finned Pilot Whale ⁹⁹	<i>Globicephala macrohynchus</i>	Gray, 1846	குறுகிய துண்டைய பைலட் திமிங்கிலம்	குறுகிய துண்டைய பைலட் திமிங்கிலம்			DD	II	II
112	Risso's Dolphin ¹⁰⁰	<i>Grampus griseus</i>	(G Cuvier, 1812)	ரிஸ்ஸோ -ன் டாலபின்	ரிஸ்ஸோ -ன் டாலபின்			LC	II	II

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113 Killer Whale ¹⁰¹	<i>Orcinus orca</i>	(Linnaeus, 1758)	கொலைகார திமிங்கிலம்	Koikaāra Timiṅkilam			DD	II	II
114 Melon-headed Whale ¹⁰²	<i>Peponocephala electra</i>	(Gray, 1846)	மெலன் தலை திமிங்கிலம்	Melan-Talai Timiṅkilam			LC	II	II
115 False Killer Whale ¹⁰³	<i>Pseudorca crassidens</i>	(Owen, 1846)	தவறான கொலைகார திமிங்கிலம்	Tavaṟāna Kolaikaāra Timiṅkilam			DD	II	II
116 Indo-Pacific Hump-back Dolphin ¹⁰⁴	<i>Sousa chinensis</i>	(Osbeck, 1765)	இந்தோ-பசிபிக் கூன்முத்து டாலபின்	Intō-Pacipik Kūmmutuku Timiṅkilam Tālipin			NT	II	I
117 Pantropical Spotted Dolphin ¹⁰⁵	<i>Stenella attenuata</i>	(Gray, 1846)	வெப்பமண்டல புள்ளிகளுடைய டாலபின்	Veppamaṅṅala Puḷḷikaḷutaiya Tālipin			LC	II	II
118 Striped Dolphin ¹⁰⁶	<i>Stenella caeruleoalba</i>	(Meyen, 1833)	வரிகளுடைய டாலபின்	Varikaḷutaiya Tālipin			LC	II	II
119 Spinner Dolphin ¹⁰⁷	<i>Stenella longirostris</i>	(Gray, 1828)	ஸ்பின்னர் டாலபின்	Spinṅar Tālipin			DD	II	II
120 Rough-toothed Dolphin ¹⁰⁸	<i>Steno bredanensis</i>	(G. Cuvier in Lesson, 1828)	கரடுமுரடு புற்களுடைய டாலபின்	Karatumuraṟu Parkalutaiya Tālipin			LC	II	II
121 Indo-Pacific Bottlenose Dolphin ¹⁰⁹	<i>Tursiops aduncus</i>	(Ehrenberg, 1833)	இந்தோ-பசிபிக் பாட்டில் முக்குடைய டாலபின்	Intō-Pacipik Pāṭṭil Mūkkutaiya Tālipin			DD	II	II
33. Family Phocoenidae (porpoises)									
122 Finless Porpoise ¹¹⁰	<i>Neophocaena phocaenoides</i>	(G Cuvier, 1829)	துடுப்பற்ற கடல் பன்றி	Tutuṅṅaṟa Kaṭal paṅṅi			VU	I	I
34. Family Physeteridae (sperm whales)									
123 Sperm Whale ¹¹¹	<i>Physeter macrocephalus</i>	Linnaeus, 1758	விந்து வடிவான திமிங்கிலம்	Vintu Vativāna timiṅkilam			VU	II	I
35. Family Kogiidae (pygmy and dwarf sperm whales)									
124 Pygmy Sperm Whale ¹¹²	<i>Kogia breviceps</i>	(Blainville, 1838)	விந்து வடிவான சிறிய திமிங்கிலம்	Vintu Vativāna Ciriya timiṅkilam			DD	II	II
125 Dwarf Sperm Whale ¹¹³	<i>Kogia sima</i>	(Owen, 1866)	விந்து வடிவான குள்ள திமிங்கிலம்	Vintu Vativāna Kulla timiṅkilam			DD	II	II
36. Family Ziphiidae (beaked whales)									
126 Cuvier's Beaked Whale ¹¹⁴	<i>Ziphius cavirostris</i>	G. Cuvier, 1823	குவியரி-ன் அலகு திமிங்கிலம்	Kuviyaṟin piṅ timiṅkilam			LC	II	II
37. Family Balaenopteridae (rorquals)									
127 Minke Whale ¹¹⁵	<i>Balaenoptera acutorostrata</i>	Lacépède, 1804	மின்கே திமிங்கிலம்	Minke Timiṅkilam			LC	II	I
128 Sei Whale ¹¹⁶	<i>Balaenoptera borealis</i>	Lesson, 1828	சீய திமிங்கிலம்	Ciy Timiṅkilam			EN	II	I
129 Bryde's Whale ¹¹⁷	<i>Balaenoptera edeni</i>	Anderson, 1879	பிரைட்-ன் திமிங்கிலம்	Pirait-N Timiṅkilam			DD	II	I
130 Blue Whale ¹¹⁸	<i>Balaenoptera musculus</i>	(Linnaeus, 1758)	நீல திமிங்கிலம்	Nīla Timiṅkilam			EN	II	I
131 Fin Whale ¹¹⁹	<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>	(Linnaeus, 1758)	துடுப்பு திமிங்கிலம்	Tutuṅṅu Timiṅkilam			EN	II	I
132 Humpback Whale ¹²⁰	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>	(Borowski, 1781)	கூன்முத்து திமிங்கிலம்	Kūṅmutuku			LC	II	I

¹ North-eastern and southern India, Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal (Oliver 1978)
² South of Ganges river, eastern, central, south-western and southern parts of peninsular India (Chakraborty 2005)
³ Eastern Ghats to Mangalore, Karnataka and Malabar Coast from Goa to Trivandrum, Kerala (Roonwal & Mohnot 1977)
⁴ Southern India, Goa, Gujarat and Maharashtra (Roonwal & Mohnot 1977)
⁵ Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Roonwal & Mohnot 1977)
⁶ Southern India and Maharashtra (Roonwal & Mohnot 1977; Karanth et al. 2008; Nag et al. 2011)
⁷ Southern India (Roonwal & Mohnot 1977; Karanth et al. 2008; Nag et al. 2011)
⁸ Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (restricted to Western Ghats) (Roonwal & Mohnot 1977; Karanth et al. 2008; Nag et al. 2011)
⁹ Southern, eastern and central India and Gujarat and Maharashtra (Ellerman 1961; Shanker & Sukumar 1998; Molur et al. 2005)
¹⁰ Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Ellerman 1961; Molur et al. 2005)
¹¹ Southern India, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Goa, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan and West Bengal (Ellerman 1961; Molur et al. 2005; Sridhar et al. 2008)
¹² Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Ashraf et al. 1993; Molur et al. 2005; Sridhar et al. 2008)
¹³ Southern India, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha and Rajasthan (Ellerman 1961; Molur et al. 2005)
¹⁴ Western Ghats (south of Kodagu) in Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Ellerman 1961; Molur et al. 2005; Sridhar et al. 2008)
¹⁵ Western Ghats in Karnataka, Kerala, Goa, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu (Molur et al. 2005; Sridhar et al. 2008)
¹⁶ Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Prabhakar 1997; Shanker & Sukumar 1998; Molur et al. 2005)
¹⁷ Throughout India except North-eastern India, high altitudes of Himalaya and Sikkim (Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
¹⁸ Almost throughout the country (Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
¹⁹ Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Rajasthan and Tamil Nadu (Molur et al. 2005; Molur & Nameer 2016)
²⁰ Tamil Nadu (Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
²¹ Southern India, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha and West Bengal (Shanker & Sukumar 1998; Molur et al. 2005)
²² Throughout the country except North-eastern India (Shanker & Sukumar 1998; Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
²³ Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal (Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
²⁴ Kerala and Tamil Nadu (fragmented locations of Western Ghats) (Shanker & Sukumar 1998; Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
²⁵ Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Tamil Nadu (Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
²⁶ Southern India, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and West Bengal (Shanker & Sukumar 1998; Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
²⁷ Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Punjab, Uttarakhand and West Bengal (Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
²⁸ Almost throughout the country (Shanker & Sukumar 1998; Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
²⁹ Western Ghats in Karnataka, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu (Musser & Carleton 2005; Molur et al. 2005)
³⁰ Western Ghats in Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Shanker & Sukumar 1998; Agarwal 2000; Molur et al. 2005)
³¹ Almost throughout the country (Ellerman 1961)
³² Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Johnsingh 2001; Molur et al. 2005)
³³ Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Pradhan et al. 1997; Molur et al. 2005)
³⁴ Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Shanker & Sukumar 1998; Pradhan & Kurup 2001; Molur et al. 2005)
³⁵ Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Shanker & Sukumar 1998; Molur et al. 2005; Molur & Singh 2009)

³⁶ Almost throughout the country (Molur et al. 2005)
³⁷ Southern India, Andaman & Nicobar Is., Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
³⁸ Almost throughout the country (Bates & Harrison 1997)
³⁹ North-eastern India, Andaman & Nicobar Is., Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu and Uttarakhand (Vanitharani et al. 2005)
⁴⁰ Tamil Nadu (Vanitharani et al. 2005)
⁴¹ Throughout the country except Gujarat, Jammu & Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh (Das 1986)
⁴² Southern and North-eastern India, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Himachal Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Sikkim, Uttarakhand and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁴³ Southern India, Andaman & Nicobar Is., Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Meghalaya and Odisha (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁴⁴ Throughout country except high Himalaya and North-eastern India (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁴⁵ Southern India, Andaman & Nicobar Is., Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Sikkim and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁴⁶ Southern India, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Odisha and Uttar Pradesh (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁴⁷ Throughout country except high Himalaya and deserts (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁴⁸ Southern India, Andaman & Nicobar Is., Assam, Goa, Maharashtra, Meghalaya Mizoram and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁴⁹ Southern India, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Nagaland, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁵⁰ Southern India, Andaman & Nicobar Is., Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha and Rajasthan (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁵¹ Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁵² Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Meghalaya Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁵³ Southern India, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁵⁴ Southern India, Andaman & Nicobar Is., Assam, Goa, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁵⁵ Throughout country except high Himalaya and Jammu & Kashmir (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁵⁶ Southern India, Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁵⁷ Throughout country except Rajasthan (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁵⁸ Almost throughout the country (scattered population) (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁵⁹ Andaman & Nicobar Is., Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁶⁰ Southern India and Maharashtra (Vanitharani 2006)
⁶¹ Andaman & Nicobar Is., Karnataka and Tamil Nadu (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁶² Arunachal Pradesh, Maharashtra, Meghalaya, Sikkim, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal and Tamil Nadu (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁶³ Assam, Kerala, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁶⁴ Andhra Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Andaman & Nicobar Is., Sikkim, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal (Vanitharani et al. 2005)
⁶⁵ Known from Tamil Nadu and West Bengal (Vanitharani et al. 2003)
⁶⁶ Southern India, Assam, Goa, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Sikkim and West Bengal (Bates & Harrison 1997)
⁶⁷ Widely distributed from the plains and lower hills south of the Himalayas to Southern India (Ellerman & Morrison-Scott 1951)
⁶⁸ Throughout the country except the high Himalayas (Mudappa 1998)
⁶⁹ Throughout the country except desert parts of Gujarat and Rajasthan, and parts of Deccan Plateau (Mudappa 1998)
⁷⁰ Scattered pockets in the peninsular India upto Rajasthan, and also recorded from Uttar Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir (Mudappa 1998; Johnsingh 2001)

⁷¹ Throughout country except extreme high altitudes, hot and cold deserts (Pocock 1939, 1941)
⁷² Throughout country in the suitable isolated pockets except Jammu & Kashmir and North-western India (Pocock 1939, 1941)
⁷³ Throughout the country except arid parts of Rajasthan and Gujarat and Jammu & Kashmir and high Himalayas (Mudappa 1998)
⁷⁴ Goa, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Mudappa 1998)
⁷⁵ Throughout the country in suitable habitats except high Himalayas in Jammu & Kashmir (Mudappa 1998)
⁷⁶ Throughout the country in suitable habitats (Mudappa 1998)
⁷⁷ Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Mudappa 1998; Sridhar et al. 2008)
⁷⁸ Southern and central India, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal (Mudappa 1998)
⁷⁹ South to the Nilgiri hills, west to Gujarat, north to lowland of Jammu & Kashmir and Kumaon, east to West Bengal (Johnsingh 2001)
⁸⁰ Throughout the country (Pocock 1939, 1941)
⁸¹ South of river Ganges peninsula from Coorg and Nilgiri hills, and from northwards Jammu & Kashmir to North-eastern India (Pocock 1939, 1941)
⁸² Throughout the country except high Himalayas and North-eastern India (Pocock 1939, 1941)
⁸³ Throughout country in suitable habitats except Jammu & Kashmir, high Himalayas and arid parts of Gujarat and Rajasthan (Pocock 1939, 1941)
⁸⁴ Southern India, Himalayan terai to north-eastern states and Sundarbans in West Bengal (Mudappa 1998)
⁸⁵ Throughout the country except high regions of Himalayas, and arid regions of Gujarat and Rajasthan (Mudappa 1998)
⁸⁶ Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Mudappa 1998)
⁸⁷ Throughout the country except high Himalayas and North-eastern India (Mudappa 1998)
⁸⁸ Throughout the country except the high Himalayas and desert areas of Gujarat and Rajasthan (Ellerman & Morrison-Scott 1951)
⁸⁹ From Tamil Nadu to Madhya Pradesh (Groves & Meijaard 2005)
⁹⁰ Peninsular India, northwards Kumaon and Sikkim including Andaman & Nicobar Is. and West Bengal (Ellerman & Morrison-Scott 1951)
⁹¹ Throughout the country except high Himalayas of Jammu & Kashmir and desert region of Gujarat and Rajasthan (Ellerman & Morrison-Scott 1951)
⁹² Throughout the country except high Himalayas of Jammu & Kashmir and arid regions of Gujarat and Rajasthan (Ellerman & Morrison-Scott 1951)
⁹³ Punjab south to Tamil Nadu and east to Bihar, and Gujarat and Rajasthan (Ellerman & Morrison-Scott 1951)
⁹⁴ Southern and North-eastern India, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal (Ellerman & Morrison-Scott 1951)
⁹⁵ From the sub-Himalayan foothills to peninsular India, Gujarat, Maharashtra and North and western parts of Tamil Nadu (Ellerman & Morrison-Scott 1951)
⁹⁶ Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Ropique & Hassanin 2005)
⁹⁷ Reported from Andaman & Nicobar Is., Gulf of Mannar, Palk Bay and Gulf of Kachchh (Silas & Fernando 1985; Sathasivam 2000)
⁹⁸ Reported from east and west coasts of India in Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Odisha (Pillai & Kasinathan 1988; Sathasivam 2000)
⁹⁹ Reported from Bay of Bengal and Hooghly River mouth, Serampur, West Bengal also from Gulf of Mannar and off Maharashtra in the west coast (Alagarwami et al. 1973)
¹⁰⁰ Reported from Kerala, Tamil Nadu and around Andaman & Nicobar Is. and Lakshadweep Is. (Rajagopalan et al. 1984)
¹⁰¹ Reported from east coast (off Tamil Nadu), west coast (off Gujarat) and around Andaman & Nicobar Is. and Lakshadweep Is. (Sathasivam 2004)
¹⁰² Reported from Bay of Bengal in Andhra Pradesh, Andaman & Nicobar Is. and Tamil Nadu (Leatherwood et al. 1991; Sathasivam 2000)
¹⁰³ Reported from east and west coasts and Andaman & Nicobar Is., Andhra Pradesh, Lakshadweep Is. and Tamil Nadu (Thiagarajan et al. 1984)
¹⁰⁴ Reported from east and west coasts of Andaman & Nicobar Is., mouth of Ganges, Bay of Bengal, Arabian Sea and Indian Ocean (Arumugam et al. 1992; Muralidharan 2013)
¹⁰⁵ Reported from Bay of Bengal off West Bengal (Sundarbans) and Tamil Nadu (Sathasivam 2000)

¹⁰⁶ Reported from east coast of Southern India (Alling 1986; Kumaran 2003)
¹⁰⁷ Reported from east and west coasts of India in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Lakshadweep Is., Kerala, Maharashtra and Karnataka (Pillai et al. 1989; Sathasivam 2004)
¹⁰⁸ Reported from Bay of Bengal in Andaman & Nicobar Is. and Tamil Nadu (Sathasivam 2004)
¹⁰⁹ Reported from east and west coasts of India in Maharashtra to Kerala and Tamil Nadu (Afsal et al. 2008)
¹¹⁰ Reported from east and west coasts of India, Andaman & Nicobar Is., Lakshadweep Is., Tamil Nadu and Hooghli estuary in West Bengal (Ganapathy 1992; Kumaran & Subramanian 1993)
¹¹¹ Reported from Arabian Sea and Bay of Bengal in Andaman & Nicobar Is., Lakshadweep Is., Gujarat, Kerala, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu (Moses 1947; James & Soundararajan 1979)
¹¹² Reported from east coast and west coasts of India in Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Andaman & Nicobar Is. and Kerala (Sathasivam 2004; Velayutham et al. 2010)
¹¹³ Reported from east and west coasts of India in Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Kerala (De Silva 1987; Sathasivam 2000)
¹¹⁴ Reported from coast of Tamil Nadu and Lakshadweep Is. (Sathasivam 2000)
¹¹⁵ Reported from east and west coasts of India in Gujarat, Odisha and Tamil Nadu (Kasinathan 2002; Sathasivam 2004)
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¹¹⁸ Reported from east and west coasts and washed ashore in Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu (Moses 1947; Marichamy et al. 1984)
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