



**TAMIL NADU POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**

**PRESS RELEASE**

**GUIDELINES RELATING TO IMMERSION OF VINAYAGA IDOLS**

Tamil Nadu has one of the finest traditions in country towards protecting environment under the benevolent governance of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tamil Nadu. It is the duty of every citizen to protect our environment and safeguard our water bodies (sea, lake and river) in order to ensure that our drinking water sources are pristine and pure. In this regard, the public are requested to celebrate Vinayaga Chaturthi by immersing the idols only in the places notified for each district by the District Administration, to protect our water bodies.

Hence the public are requested as below:

1. Idols made up of raw clay (not baked) and other friendly materials such as kizhangu flour or from sago waste and without any chemicals shall alone permitted for safe immersion in water bodies.
2. Idols painted with chemical paints will not be allowed for immersion in water bodies.
3. It is requested to immerse the idols only in the places notified for each district by the District Administration and also by the guidelines specified by the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board.

**PLACES**


1. Vellore
2. Ranipet
3. Arcot
4. Arakkonam
5. Gudiyattam
6. Ambur
7. Vaniyambadi }
8. Tirupattur }

**THE WATER BODIES IDENTIFIED FOR THE IMMERSION OF VINAYAKA IDOLS IN VELLORE DISTRICT**

- Sathupperi, Oosur Eri, Karugambattur Eri  
Thandalam Eri, Puliyanthangal Eri  
Arcot Eri, Vepoor Eri  
Mangammappettai Eri, Maveru Eri  
Nellurpettai Eri  
Santrorkuppam Eri  
Palar & Ponneri Lake

The Public requested to celebrate Vinayaka Chaturthi without polluting the environment.

The District Collector, Superintendent of Police and the District Environmental Engineer may be contacted for further details.

  
District Collector,  
Vellore District.

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