MYANMAR

VOICELESS ANIMAL CRUELTY INDEX 2017

Overall Rank 41

Myanmar was a very poor performer under the Voiceless Animal Cruelty Index (VACI) 2017 (on par with Malaysia), due largely to its high level of animal production and inadequate animal protection laws.

Producing Cruelty

Rank 45

Myanmar slaughters around 20.8 land-based animals per person / year, which is significantly higher than the global average of 9.7 (and the third highest in Asia after Iran and Malaysia). The country's dependency on farmed animals is also high, with around 6 farmed animals per person (compared with a global average of around 4). Myanmar slaughters a high proportion of poultry (around 87.7%), including ducks, geese / guinea fowl and "other birds". Factory farming is common in dairy and poultry production.

Consuming Cruelty

Rank 18

The country's diet contains a moderate proportion of animal products, with around 29% of the average Myanmaris' diet being made up of land-based animal protein (compared with a global average of 28.5%). This equates to each person consuming around 19.5g of land-based animal protein per day (compared with a global average of 26.7g).

Sanctioning Cruelty

Rank 40

Myanmar was given an "F" under the Animal Protection Index (API) 2014, and was also a very poor performer under the Sanctioning Cruelty category. According to the API, the animal welfare legislation is inadequate and focuses largely on protecting animal health and production, rather than animal welfare. Learn more about the quality of Myanmar's legislative protections on the API here [http://api.worldanimalprotection.org/sites/default/files/api_myanmar_report.pdf].



Voiceless Animal Cruelty Index

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