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## Goats detained in India for damaging car

Police in southern city of Chennai find scapegoats after their new patrol car is damaged.

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The owner of the goats faces charges for negligent conduct of her animals [AP]

Three goats were caught and detained by police in the southern Indian city of Chennai after they allegedly vandalised a new police patrol vehicle, the *Times of India* has reported.

The trio were held as "scapegoats" for the crime which reportedly involved a dozen of their tribe trampling over the car - the latest example of anti-social behaviour in the Kilpauk district of the city.

Police said the goats had a record of damaging vehicles of residents, but had "crossed the line" with an attack on a new patrol vehicle, a maroon Innova. "We got the vehicle two days ago," said an officer on duty.

According to the complaint, about 12 goats dented the vehicle when they and climbed on top of it, "damaging the wipers and glass, and scratching the paint of the bonnet and body".

Police however found only three goats in their subsequent inquiries. "We took the animals to the station and made inquiries about the owner," the officer told the newspaper.

Their owner, Mary Arogynathan, 37, faces charges of negligent conduct of her animals, which were later handed over to the Society for the Protection of Animals.

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"Um, yeah, we just wanted to, you know, damage the car a little bit. No big deal. Let us go immediately!!!"

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**IAF101** · 4 days ago

Al Jazzeria - a so called "international news" organization spends it times reporting stories like this! No wonder the Americans wanted to bomb you to dust!! You are a disgrace to journalism!

Your attempt at humor is obvious and juvenile- "scapegoats" really ?? That's the best you could come up with ? Please try to get a life!

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**Rick001** → IAF101 · 4 days ago

Lighten up, there is plenty of news. You chose to click on the story. You chose to read it. No one forced you to. Are you really that stressed out that you would make such a derogatory comment. Al Jazzeria is not the one that needs to get a life. Your comment was uncalled for.

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**David Pearl** → Rick001 · 4 days ago

I agree with Rick.

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**wodnala** → IAF101 · 4 days ago

Now you mention it, IAF101, the story quite accurately identifies its subject matter as "scapegoats". It seems quite possible that those detained might not have been the animals which actually caused the damage. And on another level, the goat story itself could well be taking the place of other news which could get Aljazeera bombed yet again by those self-proclaimed champions of "democracy" and "freedom of the press".

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**Jack Conway** · 5 days ago

If I wanted stupid news I could of easily picked up half a dozen tabloids from the corner shop, or just browsed the Daily Mail website.

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**David Pearl** → Jack Conway · 4 days ago

Jack. could have, not could of. Learn English.

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Just trying to help. Sloppy grammar detracts from your message.

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No patronising ego centered comments do.

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**Michael Pinkard** → Jack Conway · 4 days ago

Well, for one, you began the patronizing w/ your insults to the site. Also, you accuse it of being stupid, but instead, made yourself look stupid, effectively (and ironically) rendering your comment "a pretentious arrogant waste of time."

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**Jack Conway** → Michael Pinkard · a day ago

Well stupid was the most accurate word I could think of to suite this article. Sorry for my lack of vocab, maybe that will tip the balance of intellectual demonstration with view to patronisation between a random anonymous poster and an internationally respected news organisation hmmm?

And as I said before, grammar has got nothing to do with people thoughts and feelings, expressing them sure but not their existence. So thats your opinion, certainly isnt mine so I can live with that.

If we actually wanna talk about why I think this article is stupid, which you kind of hinted at by quoting me instead of saying it yourself, then that would be worth paying attention to, rather than this display of al jazeera vanguard trolls that have crept from under the bridge.

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**Gallifrey** → Jack Conway · 3 days ago

Oh and it is you're not youre.

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**Jack Conway** → Gallifrey · a day ago

Pointless.

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**Gallifrey** → Jack Conway · 3 days ago

Jack, it is someone's ideas, not someones ideas. Learn English.

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**Jack Conway** → Gallifrey · 17 hours ago

What language am I speaking now?

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**Matt** → Jack Conway · 4 days ago

you're\*

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**Jack Conway** → Matt · 4 days ago

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 **Jack Conway** → Blue · a day ago  
Troll al jazeera vanguards, well I never.  
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 **Sarah Bond** → Jack Conway · 4 days ago  
Rubbish. This is far superior reporting as it shows a picture of the actual goats involved. The Daily Fail would have used a "file picture" of goats and then focused upon what their owner's house is worth.  
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 **Jack Conway** → Sarah Bond · 4 days ago  
Good point, but as good as it is, all it does is save al jazeera from utter humiliation by being compared to the Daily Fail. However, it still doesnt address or excuse the goat that was on the front page  
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 **abdul** · 3 days ago  
@ "Police however found only three goats in their subsequent inquiries"  
what happened to the rest 9 ..... custodial deaths ???  
It would have been a very testy investigation.....  
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 **Hard Little Machine** · 3 days ago  
Does al Jazeera blame the Jews or just marry the goats?  
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 **Doger Ice** · 5 days ago  
Those three goats must have been missing 1beak1 – one of regular readers here in AJE - because he was raised by goats because his mother had long abandoned him in citayyum station.  
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