Editor's Comment:

My editorial decision, suggesting to publish the Ms number 2019/AJRAVS/50562 as "Data Notes" (rather than ORA).

Editor decision regarding Ms AJRAVS 50562 On-Farm Fatality Rate of Cattle Transported to Igboora Abattoir

The subject treated is of major importance. Yet, as it is, the manuscript does not seem suitable to be published as an "original research article" in *Asian Journal of Research in Animal and Veterinary Sciences*, for the reasons provided below. In my opinion, the manuscript **should only be accepted as a "Data Note"** report (according to the list of types for AJRAVS).

The reasons are that the manuscript only reports the observed rate of fatality and provides no other conclusion than the wish to convince the operators involved in the transportation of cattle to reduce this fatality rate. The only contribution that could seem being of scientific nature is the statistical finding that the fatality rate looks independent of month, but this does not lead to any follow-up nor any relevant discussion that would be expected from a properly "scientific research".

In short, the report remains descriptive without any discussion of hypothesis nor conclusion other than self-evident from the outset. As such, it therefore fits best as "Data Notes".

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