

We're thrilled to have you join us for the 2025 edition of the Jawadhu Hills Ultra. We hope you have been training well for the challenges.

Please read through this email carefully to ensure you're well-prepared for the event.

Coordination:

- We have created a separate WhatsApp group for runners, and the link has been included in the pre-mailer. In-case you haven't received the mail, please reach out to the organising team.

Event Schedule:

- Race Day** - November 01, 2025 (Saturday)
- Bib Expo**
October 31, 2025 (Friday) | 02:00 PM - 10:00 PM
November 01, 2025 (Race Day) | 3:00 AM - 4:00 AM
- Location:**
[St. Joseph Higher Secondary School, Athipet, Jamunamarathur](#)
Note: All participants must sign the indemnity form. Bibs must be collected in person; no proxy will be allowed.
- Race Briefing**
October 31, 2025 (Friday) | 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Note: Important course information and safety instructions will be discussed.

Race Details:

Categories	85 KM (17 hrs cut-off)	50 KM (10 hrs cut-off)	25KM (5 hrs cut-off)
Elevation Gain	~2800 mtrs	~1750 mtrs	~700 mtrs
and Terrain	~(80:20) (trail:road)	~(80:20) (trail:road)	~(75:25) (trail:road)
Start Time	04:30 AM	05:00 AM	06:00 AM
Start / Finish Point	St. Joseph HSS, Athipet	Start - St. Joseph HSS, Athipet Finish – Vallathommai Village	St. Joseph HSS, Athipet
Staggered Start	No	No	Yes, 2 groups (10 min gap)
No. of AS / WS Excluding Start / Finish)	10 AS & 3 WS (~7-9 km apart)	5 AS & 2 WS (~7-9 km apart)	2 AS & 1 WS (~7-9 km apart)
Intermediate cut-off (Strictly will not be allowed to continue)	Yes, 3 places 10:30am - 27.5km (6 hrs) 02:30pm - 50km (10hrs) 07:30pm - 72km (15hrs)	Yes, 1 place 11am - 27.5km (6 hrs)	NIL
Drop-Bag	Yes, Available at 50KM	Yes, Available at Finish Point	NIL

NOTE:

- GPX file will not be shared with participants, because there could be changes in the course due to unforeseen situation by Nature. We will ensure that, the route is adequately marked.
- 50KM runners will be shuttled back to the start point in vehicle. The vehicle will depart once it's full – so runners are requested to wait near the finish point transport zone

Footwear/Gear:

- Trail running shoes with good grip are recommended. Avoid using new shoes on race day.
- Head torch is mandatory for all 50KM & 85KM runners.
- Hiking poles / Sunglasses / Sunscreen are optional.
- Expect to cross water streams and muddy sections.

Staggered Start or Waves (Applicable for 25 km only):

- There will be two starting waves, each 10 minutes apart.

- Your assigned wave is printed on your race bib and is based on your estimated finish time from previous races.
- Please stay in your assigned wave, as the cutoff time will be determined by your wave's starting time.

Dress Code:

- Full-sleeved T-shirts/Full pants or arm/leg sleeves are recommended, as the trail passes through narrow bushes that may cause irritation and allergy. (Event T-shirt is full-sleeve).
- A cap will protect you from midday sun and Full pant will protect you from bushes.

Network Information:

- Mobile network coverage will be limited. Please inform your family about this.
- You may get Jio & Vodafone signals in some areas where road access is available and Airtel only in very few places.
- There are no shops in the villages along the route, so prepare ahead of time.

Venue Details:

- The race starts and ends at St. Joseph Higher Secondary School, Athipet.
- Jamunamarathur is the nearest town, 3km from the venue
- One can reach the venue from
 - Polur – 40km
 - Alangayam – 25km
 - Tirupattur – 50km (via Alangayam)
 - Vellor – 90km (via Alangayam)
 - Vaniyambadi – 45km (via Alangayam)
 - Thiruvannamalai – 80km (via Polur)
 - Arcot – 95km (via Polur)
 - Vandavasi – 100km (via Polur)
- Public Transport buses between Alangayam and Polur pass through Jamunamaruthur. The frequency will be approximately 45 minutes.
- For outbound bus timings from Jamunamaruthur, please [click here](#).
- In case you are planning to reach the venue on Saturday morning, it will be a 1-hour drive from Polur or Alangayam

Overnight Stay Options:

Runners can stay at the below locations for free of cost.

1. School classrooms
2. Running ground (it would be noisy, since all the event prep work will happen here)

Those opting to stay overnight please bring along the following items:

- Sleeping Mat
- Sleeping Bag / Blanket
- Power Bank
- Water Bottle
- Torch
- Odomos
- Tent (incase camping in the ground)

Toilet facilities are available in the school campus.

Note: On the Race Day, no shuttle will be provided from your stay (hotels) to the start point.

Detailed information on the running route, route marking, food arrangements & aid station locations will be shared in our next email. Stay tuned!

If you have any further questions, feel free to reach out to us at chennaitrailclub@gmail.com.

We look forward to seeing you on the trail!