UPDATE ON ARIKOMBAN IN KMTR

A wild elephant named Arikomban, captured in Theni district was translocated in the forests of KMTR near Kuttiyar dam last week. The elephant has been foraging well and drinking copious amount of water from the reservoirs in this area and comfortable in its new home. The frontline staff of Kalakkad. Ambasamudram and Kanyakumari divisions of Kalakkad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve is monitoring the movement of Arikomban day night. Six teams of 48 forest personnel comprising of senior forest and officials, Veterinary surgeons, forest guards and Anti-poaching watchers are on their toes to track the movement of the elephant with the help of signals received from radio collar attached to its neck since 6 th June. The Forest Department is taking all steps to ensure the safety of the elephant and public in close coordination with the District Administration of Tirunelveli, Tenkasi and Kanyakumari.

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