

## Press Release

### Update on the Wildlife Elephant “Arikomban”

As per the information provided by the Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Kalakadu Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve, the Wild Tusker “Arikomban” who was translocated to the Kalakadu Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve has been feeding well. His health is being monitored by the Forest Veterinary Doctors and the Field Staff. Based on the primary data and field inspections, the health of the Wild Elephant Arikomban appears normal.

The Movement of the elephant is being continuously tracked through radio collar and also by a dedicated team of Forest Department staff, forest veterinarians and anti-poaching watchers. The Kalakadu Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve supports vegetation types such as Shola grassland complex, bamboo, reed brakes and swamps favourable for Elephants. As there is adequate water in Kuttiyar and Kodaiyar reservoirs along with salubrious weather conditions, “Arikomban” is appears very comfortable in his new habitat and recouping well in the past one week.

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