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A Wild Elephant, Arikomban, captured in the lands of Theni on the 5th of June- 2023, has gone through momentous change in the behaviour. The once bewildered and inveterate crop raiding elephant has transformed into an independent elephant, which in the past few weeks has shown remarkable results. Arikomban has taken to foraging from the very forest it has been translocated into as it resembles the habitat of Munnar.

The Forest Department is putting their maximum efforts to get Arikomban to join a nearby elephant herd, but the elephant is quite ambivalent. The forest department has been very assiduous when it came to the acclimatization of the elephant in the Kalakad Mundanthurai tiger reserve. Overall, the elephant is healthy, in great shape and trying to integrate with the other herds of elephant as per the daily monitoring by frontline staff from ground zero in Upper Kodayar.

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