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Male elephant caught by rangers in Kelantan village

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THE state Wildlife and National Parks Department captured a male elephant in an operation at Kampung Salor here on Friday.

Its director Mohamad Hafid Rohani said the elephant was believed to be the one that entered smallholdings and damaged crops belonging to villagers in the area.

He added that the elephant had been entering the smallholdings since October last year.

"The department received several reports on the elephant's rampage not only in Kampung Salor, but also in a few other nearby villages.

"The other villages are Kampung Batu Melintang, Kampung Jerek, Kampung Lawar and Kampung Pendok," he said in a statement.

Following the reports, he said the department's rangers were sent to the villages and on Friday, they managed to capture the animal in a farm at Kampung Salor.

Hafid said the elephant was believed to be among a herd of 30 that were roaming the villages since last year.

"This elephants were believed to have left the Gunung Basor forest reserve in search of food," he added.

He said the captured elephant would be relocated to Taman Negara.



The male elephant that was captured by Kelantan Wildlife and National Parks Department rangers in Kampung Salor, Jeli, on Friday. PIC COURTESY OF WILDLIFE AND NATIONAL PARKS DEPARTMENT