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CURBING POACHING

Perhilitan: Don't post videos of wild animal sightings

KUALA TERENGGANU: People are urged not to share videos of wild animal sightings on social media to prevent poaching.

State Department of Wildlife and National Parks (Perhilitan) director Loo Kean Seong said the video should instead be sent to Perhilitan to facilitate action.

"Sharing wildlife sighting videos on social media with details such as location and time they were spotted only gives an opportunity to irresponsible parties (poachers)."

Although the sharing of such videos was perhaps intended to inform others of the presence of wild animals in the area, he said it could prove detrimental to the animals' survival.

On Saturday, a 33-second video of a tiger spotted in Paka went viral.

It was posted by a man, who recorded it coming out of a bush and crossing a path used by villagers.

"Those who come across a tiger should keep a safe distance as it may act aggressively.

"If people want to take video of it, do it from a distance and report it to Perhilitan," Loo said. **Bernama**



A screen grab from a video showing a tiger emerging from a bush in Paka, Dungun, recently. PIC COURTESY OF READER