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Female wild elephant caught in Jeli

KOTA BARU: The Kelantan Department of Wildlife and National Parks (Perhilitan) captured a female wild elephant in Kampung Ipoh, Jeli, about 100km from here on Monday.

Perhilitan director Ady Ermanty Haniff Mohamed Hanif said the elephant, estimated to be 15 to 20 years old, was caught at about 5pm by rangers from its elephant capture unit.

“The operation was mounted following complaints from villagers that a herd of eight wild elephants had been on a rampage, destroying crops around Kampung Bukit Ipoh,

Belimbing, Dendong and Kampung Air Berching in Jeli since July.

“Earlier, we had taken several actions including providing advice, installing blue LED lights and conducting a series of shooting operations to scare and divert the elephants to a nearby forest,” he said in a statement yesterday.

Ady Ermanty said these measures were implemented for almost a month but the elephants still roamed around the villages. He said the villagers suffered losses of about RM63,000 this year due to damaged crops. - Bernama

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