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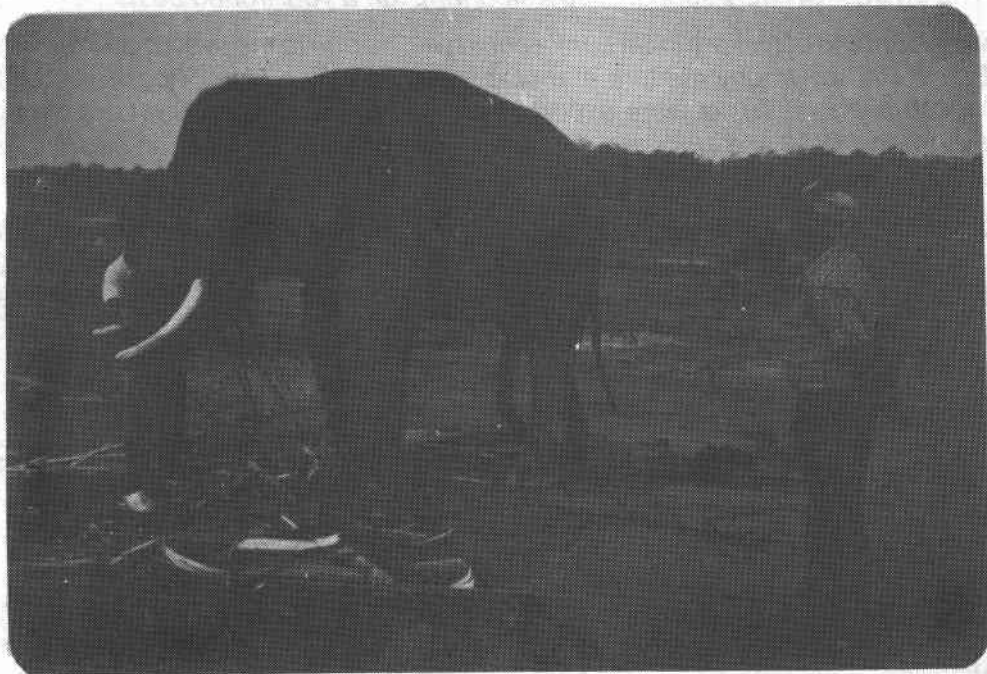
**MANAGEMENT OF ELEPHANTS IN CAPTIVITY:** A Training Course conducted at the Elephant Training Centre (ETC), Way Kambas National Park, Lampung, Sumatra, Indonesia by Dr V. Krishnamurthy from the Bombay Natural History Society's Elephant Project, South India (September-October 1991).

Dr V. Krishnamurthy (member of the AESG) arrived in Indonesia on 15 September to:

- (1) critically assess the current management of elephants in captivity at the ETC in Way Kambas National Park, Sumatra and recommend appropriate measures for its improvement.
- (2) train PHPA field staff in the management of elephants in captivity with special emphasis on the provision of a balanced diet and adequate veterinary care to the animals.

- (3) initiate a programme to breed elephants in captivity along the lines of the successful programme in South India.

ASIAN ELEPHANT SPECIALIST GROUP MEETING is scheduled to be held from 20-22 May 1992 at the SEAMEO-BIOTROP (South-east Asian Regional Centre for Tropical Biology), Bogor, West Java, Indonesia. The meeting is designed to bring many of the AESG members together to assess the status of the Asian Elephant and formulate projects that would address some of the most urgent problems vis-a-vis Asian elephant conservation. Members interested in attending the meeting and presenting a paper should communicate as soon as possible with either the Chairman, Mr Lyn de Alwis or Deputy-Chairman, Dr R. Sukumar.



*Fig. Dr Krishnamurthy looking at one of the adult bull elephants in captivity at the Elephant Training Centre in Way Kambas National Park, Indonesia while its mahout stands behind the animal. (Photo: Charles Santiapillai/WWF)*