

## Report of Three Twin Births in Captive Asian Elephants

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Twin male elephants born on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2010 at Ta Lad village, Sri Narong sub district Choombholburi district, Surin province, Thailand. Their names are Mang Mee and Sri Sook, The mother's name is Pang Thong Koon, a 35 year-old cow elephant



Twin calves that were born on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2010 in the Orang National Park in Assam, India. The mother's name is Alaka. The calves were 70 cm and 80 cm in height and look a little underweight.



Twin female elephants born on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2010 at Mea Joom Sam village, Mea Seuk sub district Mea Chaem district Chiang Mai province, Thailand. Their names are Thong Tang and Thong Kam. The mother's name is Pang Kam-Moon a 30 year-old cow elephant.

The birth of twins does not seem to be such a rare occurrence amongst captive Asian elephants. Readers may recall that we featured a set of twin baby elephants born in Nepal in *Gajah* 30 (Thapa 2009).

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