

Elephant translocation

Reasons for overpopulation at Majete National Park

- strict enforcement of anti-poaching laws
- successful breeding

Problems caused by elephant overpopulation

- greater competition, causing hunger for elephants
- damage to **31** in the park

The translocation process

- a suitable group of elephants from the same **32** was selected
- vets and park staff made use of **33** to help guide the elephants into an open plain
- elephants were immobilised with tranquilisers
 - this process had to be completed quickly to reduce **34**
 - elephants had to be turned on their **35** to avoid damage to their lungs
 - elephants' **36** had to be monitored constantly
 - tracking devices were fitted to the matriarchs
 - data including the size of their tusks and **37** was taken
- elephants were taken by truck to their new reserve

Advantages of translocation at Nkhotakota Wildlife Park

- **38** opportunities
- a reduction in the number of poachers and **39**
- an example of conservation that other parks can follow
- an increase in **40** as a contributor to GDP