

shot in March 1951 in Bellrien Forest range in North Kheri Forest Division near the Bela Parsua Rest House when beating through grass bordering a small lake with a line of elephants. A photograph of the first animal mounted by Van Ingen & Van Ingen is reproduced. It must be mentioned, however, that Pearson's original description said that 'the ears were short not projecting beyond the fur' and it is therefore not quite certain how closely the photograph resembles the live animal.

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3 'TUSKS OF INDIAN ELEPHANTS'

With reference to my letter of April 4, 1956 (*J. Bombay nat. Hist. Soc.* 53: 690-1) on the subject of big tusks, I have since heard from the Raja of Talcher. The measurements of his tusks (No. 2), shown by me in the statement of big tusks, should stand corrected as follows:

No.	Length outside curve	Greatest circumference	Weight
2	8' 11" R (8' 6")	26"	1 md. 19 sr. = 120 lb. (92 lb.)
	8' 9" L (8' 6")	19"	1 md. 16 sr. = 114 lb. (92 lb.)

The weights of the large Assam pair (No. 1) should be shown as 101 lb. each (91 lb. 13 ch.).

Thus, the record for *girth* and *weight* goes to the Raja of Talcher, while the record for *length* goes to the Assam pair.

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[The figures earlier recorded are mentioned in parentheses.—Eds.]



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