

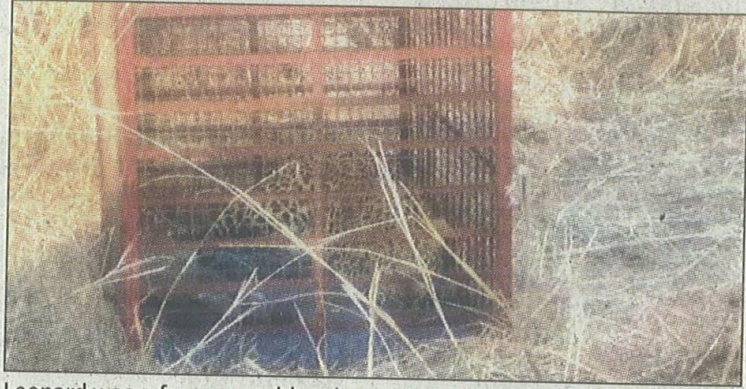
Leopard caught on IIT campus, released near Omkareshwar

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Indore: A leopard was caught in a trap set up by Indian Institute of Technology, Indore on its campus on Monday which was later handed over to the forest department.

The forest areas around IIT-I campus also have presence of many types of wild animals. The institute had set up two traps inside campus to tackle any such eventuality.

Before it was caught, the leopard had been seen roaming in the region and the students had been asked to stay away from the area. On Monday morning, the leopard was finally trapped in small cage set up by IIT. The big cat did not injure any person or any cattle in the vicinity. IIT-I official told TOI that the institute had immediately informed the forest department about leopard being caught in the trap and soon af-



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ter the team came to get it transferred in their larger trap.

Ralamandal rescue team had reached the spot to take the leopard from the institute. The leopard was not tranquilized while being shifted from smaller cage to the larger cage.

It was taken to Indore zoo, where a medical examination of the leopard was done by veterinary doctor and Indore zoo in-

charge Uttam Yadav.

"The leopard was a four-year-old male and was found to be completely healthy in the medical examination. It was later released in its natural habitat near Omkareshwar," SDO Indore Alvin Burman said.

A seizure memo was made by the forest department at the time of collection from IIT-I and release.