



Rescued dolphin dies

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KOTA KINABALU: The spinner dolphin (pic) which was transferred to University Malaysia Sabah's Borneo Marine Research Institute on Dec. 26 following its rescue at waters off Sulaman that day, has died.

Although reported to be in better condition, it showed signs of stress the next day. The dolphin was under serious stress of stranding and transport.

Its Director, Prof. Dr Saleem Mustafa said despite efforts to assist, it could not be saved. Staff from the Wildlife Department are conducting the Post Mortem and would be preparing a report, he said, Wednesday.

The dolphin was more than two metres and weighed around 70kg. It was an adult and mature specimen, which could be at least 7 years of age. It had a narrow body and a long beak.