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LT. GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT**

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The 87<sup>th</sup> Weekend morning round marked the Third Swachh Cycle Rally. NCC Cadet corps, Students of State Community Service, College and School Students joined Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Dr. Kiran Bedi in the Saturday Cycle Rally. The rally was joined by ADGP of Punjab, Shri Kunwar Vijay Pratap Singh, IPS and Shri Devansh Yadav, IAS Probationer.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Dr. Kiran Bedi, dedicated the third swachh cycle rally to a housing colony chosen enroute by random and also perform shramdaan to promote collective awareness towards Swachh Bharath and Swachh Puducherry. Accordingly, the rally was made to Teachers Colony at Pitchaveeran pet.

Cycling from Raj Nivas, with more than 150 students, the rally reached teachers colony and after the drive around the colony, the team took up of clearing the Play Ground that was choked with prickly foliage, huge trunk of cotton tree of circumference of 8 to 10 feet of length nearly 20 feet that had fallen across the play ground dividing it into two. The fire brigade was called to saw the tree trunk. The firemen were of the opinion that the trunks of tree were too huge and it required the help of machinery. However, the tree trunk was roped by the firemen and pulled aside by over 200 students and residents and brought to periphery of the ground, thereby restoring the ground to the residents.

By the time the ground had been cleared, the local MLA, Shri MNR Balan came to the site, raising his voice at Hon'ble Lt. Governor asking on whose permission she was here. His conduct has been captured on video and a report to this effect is being sent to Govt. of India.

On return to Raj Nivas, the students shared their experiences. Many of them said that it was an exciting feel and that it made them to learn the power of unity. Hon'ble Lt. Governor said that bicycling should become an integral part of their day to day activity. It should be seen as a joy, recreation, a hobby and a healthy exercise. Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Dr. Kiran Bedi, said that the rally was meant to give them a new learning and motivate them to be leaders of change. It was more of grooming of leadership of tomorrow. Keeping Puducherry swachh and neat helps in promoting disease free Puducherry with healthy citizens leading to development of Puducherry.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor, was accompanied by Shri Kunwar Vijay Pratap Singh, IPS, ADGP Punjab, Shri Devansh Yadav, IAS Probationer, Shri R. Sridharan, Private Secretary to Lt. Governor, Ms. Amrita Bahl, OSD to Lt. Governor. Ms. Asha Gupta, Comptroller of House Hold, Mr. Kumaran, Public Relations Officer, Shri Karthikeyan, Addl. ADC and NGO volunteers in the swachh rally.