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**PRESS RELEASE**

World Elders Abuse Awareness Day was observed in Raj Nivas today. Pledge on fighting against elders' abuse was in the presence of Dr. Kiran Bedi, Hon'ble Lt. Governor administered in the morning to the Officers and staff of Raj Nivas by Thiru G. Theva Neethi Dhas, Secretary to Lt. Governor. Hon'ble Lt. Governor exhorted the staff about the value of the elders and the need to respect, serve and protect them. (Picture enclosed)

In the evening, Hon'ble Lt. Governor flagged off the Bicycle Rally participated by 70 students of Sri Ramakrishna Vidyalaya Higher Secondary School to propagate the importance of safety and well being of elders. Hon'ble Lt. Governor advised the children to worship their parents and grandparents who gave everything for their sake. They should seek the blessings of the elders, that would lead them to prosperity in whatever they do. Hon'ble Lt. Governor observed that cycle rally of School Children to propagate Swachh Puducherry would be organized by Team Raj Nivas on Saturdays to inculcate the importance of keeping the environment clean. (Picture enclosed)

A congregation of elders sponsored by Help Age India was received in Raj Nivas as part of the celebration. Hon'ble Lt. Governor said, Raj Nivas that had been transformed into People's Nivas was today honoured by the visit of the elders and was truly blessed by their presence. Hon'ble Lt. Governor said to them that even in the Open House, grievance of many elders was redressed and Raj Nivas would always be a strong support to elders. (Picture enclosed)

A Tamil comedy film was screened as a part of celebration of the elders day. Over 300 elders from various homes for elders participated in the celebration and watched the film. It was a day of joy for the elders and equally for Team Raj Nivas. (Picture enclosed)