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## PRESS RELEASE

Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Dr. Kiran Bedi visited Karuvadikuppam Pond, Government Quarters at Lawspet and Vallimedu Pond on East Coast Road, on Saturday (25-03-2017) in her weekend round by bicycle.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor had on various instances appealed to the students and youth to volunteer for Shramdhan, to revive the defunct water bodies. In response to the call, the Global TYSO Volunteer Organisation had identified the Karuvadikuppam Pond for Shramdhan. This organisation in association with the Oulgaret Municipality and the support of constituency MLA, had cleaned and revived the pond. Hon'ble Lt. Governor appreciated the good work carried out by the youth and the Municipality and advised to maintain the water body free from any encroachments.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor directed Municipal Commissioner, Oulgaret to ensure that the waste water let out into the Pond, from the houses surrounding the pond, be stopped forthwith. Hon'ble Lt. Governor directed the Municipality to consider the request of residents to develop a walkway around the Pond.

Thereafter, Hon'ble Lt. Governor visited the Government quarters at Lawspet to review the progress made, with regard to observations made during the previous visit. Residents of the Quarters extended warm welcome and thanked Hon'ble Lt. Governor for the improvements made, in particular the renovation of the park. Hon'ble Lt. Governor appreciated the People's representatives and Government Officers especially the Engineers of PWD for the excellent work done in reviving the park.

Residents of the Quarters requested Hon'ble Lt. Governor to issue directions to the PWD/Electricity Departments to take up the maintenance works of the quarters. Hon'ble Lt. Governor instructed authorities to provide requisite funds in the ensuing budget to undertake repair works.

Residents of Quarters were impressed upon the necessity of waste segregation at source and appealed to adopt the practice. Hon'ble Lt. Governor suggested that the spouse of the Hon'ble Minister, Thiru MOHF Shahjahan, also the constituency MLA may be coopted, to be a patron of the Women's Residents Welfare Association of the quarters to consolidate the progress already made and to collaborate with all stake holders. Hon'ble Lt. Governor informed that she would meet them on one of the Saturday evening in the first fortnight of April, 2017.



Hon'ble Lt. Governor then visited the Vallimedu Pond on the East Coast Road along with Oulgaret Municipal Commissioner, Thiru Ramesh, PWD Officials and Global TYSO Volunteers Organisation. Oulgaret Municipality was asked to prepare an action plan to revive the pond and execute wherever possible by co-opting the students and youth.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor appreciated the members of Global TYSO and exhorted them to continue with the good work by associating themselves with the people's representatives and Government agencies.

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