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**PRESS RELEASE**

The idea dawned in the mind of Dr. Kiran Bedi, Hon'ble Lt. Governor at the NCC Cadet function to adopt a village, was the cause for Raj Nivas to adopt the T.N. Palayam village on 11-12-2016.

With the cooperation and support of Government machinery, NGOs, Corporates various welfare initiatives which include creating toilet facilities, cleanliness campaigns, skill development for the students, women and youth of the village, tree plantation were carried out. Eye and health camps, traffic and digital awareness programmes were also conducted. Hon'ble Lt. Governor also celebrated New Year and Pongal festival with the people of T.N. Palayam. Apart from these, over a period of five months periodic cleanliness drives, health initiatives and educative programs were organised.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor visited T.N. Palayam on the morning of 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017 to launch some more CSR initiatives. The day witnessed a culmination of synergy by virtue of the following CSR initiatives.

The Job Fair conducted by The Equitas Bank, in which 29 companies participated drew participation of 454 applicants. At the close of the job fair, 298 candidates had been shortlisted and 34 candidates were issued Letters of Appointment. Differently Abled Persons, who participated in the fair were selected for an Upskill Training Programme for 60 days at Auroville by an NGO - "Youth for Jobs"

Aam Admi Bima Yojna, a security scheme for rural landless households was implemented by LIC of India in Puducherry. In TN.Palayam, 750 households were covered by this scheme by Life Insurance Corporation in association with Lakshmi Vilas Bank.

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Arvind Eye Hospital adopted the horticulture profile of the Government Middle School, TN Palayam to provide an aesthetic environment for students. Tree sapling was planted by Hon'ble Lt. Governor Dr. Kiran Bedi, to symbolize start of this initiative. The team from Arvind Eye Hospital also donated the First Box of Joy – Story and Coloring books to the children of the School. Dr. Venkatesh, CMO, Arvind Eye Hospitals assured continued support to the school.

The Rotary of Puducherry (Eves) donated 3 Computers and an RO plant for the Govt. School. The Hon'ble Lt. Governor while dedicating these to the school, emphasized on the need for regular maintenance and training programmes, to ensure optimal use of the computers.

In view of the ensuring Summer Vacation, The Maheshwari Mahila Mandal have come forward to conduct following activity classes in the village – Mehendi- Origami/ Beauty Care/ Juice Making.

The morning was a splendid culmination of synergizing CSR towards fulfillment of people's needs.

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