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The 106th morning round of Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Dr. Kiran Bedi was a revisit to TPRS factory site at Manapet in Bahour Commune.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor visited the TPRS factory site on 29th April, 2017, on a complaint that the residents of the village are subject to disturbance, due to noise pollution emanating from the said factory premises. During the visit, the Management of the factory was directed to comply with the norms stipulated by Puducherry Pollution Control Committee (PPCC), with regard to noise decibels.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor decided to revisit the TPRS factory, based on a repeat complaint received during the open house on 13th Sept, 2017, from the residents in the vicinity of the factory, that the noise levels have not reduced and residents are facing hardship. At the factory site, the officers of PPCC have informed and produced records of Show Cause Notice dated 10th May, 2017, issued to the Management of the factory, to adopt measures mentioned in the Notice to reduce noise levels and submit compliance within 60 days. It was informed that the Management had only complied with instructions with respect to one unit of the factory and the second unit is still left unattended, with regard to acoustic regulations.

The Management of the factory has been strictly instructed to comply with the norms prescribed by the PPCC in their Show Cause Notice and submit compliance of the shortfalls identified, within 30 days. It was also explained to the residents that the site where factory is located is an industrial zone as per Government Notification, but it would be ensured by PPCC, that the factory complies with the stipulated regulations.

The Management was also advised to train the local residents and consider them for employment on priority, as it would serve as a means of livelihood. Management assured Hon'ble Lt. Governor, that they would comply with the directions and advice given, in a time bound manner.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor also advised that the petitioners be kept informed of the action taken on their grievances, by the respective Government Departments, so that complainants understands the status of their grievance redressal and also their rights and limitations.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor accompanied with Additional Secretary to Lt. Governor, OSD to Lt. Governor, and Officials from the Department of Science and Technology.
