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PRESS RELEASE

Yoga learning for general public was held in the lawns of Raj Nivas today (9th July, 2017) and as part of 90th weekend round, Dr. Kiran Bedi, Hon'ble Lt. Governor inspected Karuvadikuppam crematorium to check the functioning of electric crematorium.

Yoga session was conducted from 6 am to 7 am by the volunteers from Isha Foundation, with the participation of students and general public. Hon'ble Lt. Governor thanked the Isha Foundation for conducting the Yoga session and advised the participants to practice Yoga regularly, for overall well being.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor, thereafter inspected Karuvadikuppam electric crematorium based on a complaint, wherein it was stated that the electric crematorium is non-functional for long and requested to make in operational.

Assistant Engineer, Oulgaret Municipality informed that the electric crematorium is non-functional for the past six months and action has been initiated to get it repaired and would be made operational soon. It was also observed that there was no annual maintenance contract (AMC) to ensure regular maintenance, which resulted in the present breakdown of the facility. Record maintenance at the crematorium was also found to be grossly inadequate.

Secretary (LAD) and Oulgaret Municipality Commissioner were directed to come up with a time bound action plan, to make the electric crematorium facility functional at the earliest and also put in a system to ensure proper record maintenance and user fee collection, to avoid such complaints in future from general public.

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