



**GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
LT. GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT**

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PRESS RELEASE

The residents of VOC Nagar, Muthialpet had visited Open House at Raj Nivas and submitted a representation to Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Dr. Kiran Bedi, to revive the Municipal Park that had been long neglected and had turned into a den for antisocial elements. Hon'ble Lt. Governor dedicated the 109th Weekend Morning Round to visit the VOC Nagar Park in Muthialpet. Bicycling from Raj Nivas, Hon'ble Lt. Governor visited VOC Nagar Park and Solai Nagar Park in Muthialpet.

The Resident Welfare Association and the residents of the locality gave a warm welcome to Hon'ble Lt. Governor. The Park had been cleaned up and spruced by the Municipal staff and also tree saplings were kept ready for plantation. Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Dr. Kiran Bedi after planting a sapling requested the resident people to let their children plant a tree. The children were taught to plant sapling and told that they are the owners of the sapling and it will be their responsibility to nurture it.

After a brief interaction with the Resident Welfare Association and residents of the colony, it was decided to hand over the Building situated within the Park premises to women's self help group for community ownership. Under NULM concept, the SHGs will be trained and provided livelihood and skills training for creative use of the premises.

To prevent the misuse of the building by antisocial elements, the beat constable will ensure regular visits to enhance security. The Police provided to the women of the area with the Information card containing Police emergency numbers. The residents were advised to call and inform 100 PCR, in case of misuse of park by miscreants.

On the invitation of the people of the area, Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Dr. Kiran Bedi, visited the display of "Golu" in one of the home of the residents. Thereafter, visit was made to Solai Nagar Park. The park was well maintained, but the visit revealed the misplaced installation of High Mast Light within the park premises. The High Mast light was also under repair.

The Commissioner, Municipality stated that with street lights abetting, the requirement of High Mast Light will be reviewed. Hon'ble Lt. Governor suggested to follow the procedure in erection of such high mast lights, which are done at heavy cost after getting clearance of Technical committee that looks into all aspects.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor was accompanied by Mr. Ganesan, Commissioner, Pondicherry Municipality, Mr. R. Sridharan, PS to LG, Mr. Baskaran, Inspector of Police and Mr. Karthikeyan, Additional ADC to LG and Mr. Balaji Revenue Officer of Pondicherry Municipality.