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The 86th Weekend morning round was dedicated for the Second Swachh Cycle Rally. Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Dr. Kiran Bedi has dedicated every Saturday for Swachh Rally with students and people. Students and People interested to join could do so on voluntary basis and participate in the rally starting from the main gates of Raj Nivas for creating collective awareness towards Swachh Puducherry.

This Saturday, the Students of VOC Government Higher Secondary School, Puducherry participated in the rally. Also, Shri Devansh Yadav, IAS Probationer joined the cycle rally. He said that it was his first experience and he was excited to be part of the rally. Swachh Bhart is all about community led approach. The students, part of the rally were the ideal target group and he said that there was an amalgamation of different stake holders of Government participating in the rally taking the message of Swachh Puducherry to the people. Hon'ble Lt. Governor said that the participation of the IAS Probationer was induction of the Young Officer into grass root leadership. Along with the students, the future leaders, Raj Nivas was serving Puducherry by leading the change true to the quote of the Father of the Nation "Be the change you want to be"

The cycle rally went around Puducherry through the main roads taking a route that covered the periphery of the Pondicherry town right from Muthialpet to Mudaliarpeth through ECR and returning to Raj Nivas. The students after the rally said they were very excited to have been part of the rally and it was a test of their endurance to cycle for nearly an hour around Puducherry.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Dr. Kiran Bedi, said that the rally was meant to give them a new learning and motivate them to be leaders of change. It was more by doing and practically being on field that one learnt more than that wrought from text books. Hon'ble Lt. Governor said that participating in such rallies takes the students outdoor and cultivates in them qualities of self confidence and leadership. When the students expressed their satisfaction that Puducherry was being maintained clean, Hon'ble Lt. Governor said that the students should show their gratitude to the old aged women sanitation staff. The students were told to respect those poor workers and provide them with whatever small assistance that may be possible. The students were asked to take this movement to their home, their neighbours, their locality. On their own, they were exhorted to conduct rallies in their school to pass the message of Swachhata to the country.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor, was accompanied by Shri Devansh Yadav, IAS Probationer, Shri R. Sridharan, Private Secretary to Lt. Governor, Ms. Asha Gupta, Comptroller of House Hold, Mr. Kumaran, Public Relations Officer, Shri Karthikeyan, Addl. ADC and NGO volunteers in the swachh rally.