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**PRESS RELEASE**

Pavendhar Bharathidhasan Government Primary School is located at Koonichampet village. About 490 children are studying in this school and 16 Teachers are teaching the students. Human Resource Development Ministry selects the best school every year at the national level based on cleanliness, drinking water provision and sanitation and honours with the "**Swachh Vidhyalaya**" Award. Last year, the school was selected as best among 52 schools, obtaining 100% points. This year **Thiru Sasikumar, Head Master** Incharge of the School has bagged the **National Best Teacher Award**. He will receive the award today from Hon'ble President of India in a function to be held in Delhi.

Dr. Kiran Bedi, Hon'ble Lt. Governor visited the school today morning to see what made the Head Master Thiru Sasikumar win a National Teachers Award today. Hon'ble Lt. Governor witnessed the School to be spotlessly clean, green, orderly and focused. The Head Master constantly gives ideas to the Teachers and uses his own savings to improve whatever he can. The school had a very positive culture of constant improvement. What are all an incharge of the institution can do that all he had done.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor emphasized the need of grading <sup>or categorising</sup> the schools based on the parameters like cleanliness, greenery, water harvesting systems in place, innovative activities, school discipline, punctuality, attention, leadership and innovative activities of the principal and teachers, quality of teaching, school results, active Parent and Teachers Associations, Community activities taken up by the school, sports activities, shramdaan within, trainings Calendar and more. Primary school of Koonichampet which has earned the best school award with all the endeavour of Thiru Sasikumar can be part of practical training how to manage it so well.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor has suggested to constitute a team of evaluators each year by the Chief Secretary comprising of past awardees of State and National and also representatives of parents and mangment. The team can go around and grade the schools A, B and C in order to encourage the schools and its activities each year. It shall become self incentivised.

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