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## **Press Release**

## ESIC issues instructions for submission of claim for Unemployment Benefit under Atal Bimit Kalyan Yojana

ESI Corporation under the Chairmanship of Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Labour & Employment, Govt. of India has taken the decision to extend the scheme of Atal Beemit Kalyan Yojana for another one year i.e. from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2020 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. It has also been decided to enhance the rate of unemployment relief under the scheme to 50% of wages from earlier rate of 25% along with relaxation of eligibility conditions for insured workers who have lost their employment due to COVID-19 pandemic and related lockdown. Under the existing guidelines, claim for the unemployment benefit was required to be submitted through the employer. Shri Gangwar said that in a significant relaxation, claim can now be submitted directly to the designated ESIC Branch **Office**. The enhanced benefit and relaxed conditions are applicable during the period 24th March 2020 to 31st December 2020. A notification to this intent has been issued. ESIC has also issued instructions for submission of claims by the affected workers. Claims to get the relief can be made online at website www.esic.in along with submission of the physical claim with an affidavit, photocopy of Aadhaar Card and Bank Account details to the designated ESIC Branch Office by post or in person. The relief will be paid directly to the bank accounts of workers. Labour Minister, while lauding the efforts of ESIC

said that at present, about 3.41 Crores of family units of workers and providing matchless cash benefits and reasonable medical care to its 13.24 crore beneficiaries. Today, its infrastructure has increased many folds with 1520 Dispensaries (including mobile dispensaries)/307 ISM Units and 159 ESI Hospitals, 793 Branch/Pay Offices and 64 Regional & Sub-Regional Offices and implemented in 566 districts in 34 States/UTs.

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