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Inauguration of 100 bedded ESIC Hospital at Rudrapur (Uttarakhand) on 30.10.2019

Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Labour & Employment, Govt. of India inaugurated the 100 bedded ESIC Hospital at Rudrapur (Uttarakhand) on Wednesday, the 30th October, 2019.

The other dignitaries to grace the occasion were **Dr. Harak Singh Rawat**, Hon'ble Minister for Forests & Wild Life, Environment & Solid Waste Disposal, Labour, Employment, Training, AYUSH, AYUSH Education, Govt. of Uttarakhand, **Shri Rampal Singh**, Hon'ble Mayor, Municipal Corporation, Rudrapur, **Shri Rajesh Shukla**, Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly, other Dignitaries & Officers of Govt.of India, ESIC and Govt. of Uttarakhand.

Addressing the gathering, Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar, Hon'ble LEM said that the 100 bedded ESIC Hospital at Rudrapur has been constructed in a plot area of 5 acres alongwith 32 staff quarters with an approx. cost of Rs.97.72 crore. To begin with the OPD services are being provided. However, in due course, the 100 bedded ESIC Hospital shall equipped with state of the art facilities like operation theatre, casualty block, radiology, orthopaedic clinic, psychiatric clinic, general medicine and many more for the Insured Persons and their dependants. This Hospital would be exclusively run for the benefit of insured persons and their family members covered under ESI Scheme.

He informed that Govt. of India has taken the decision of historic reduction of ESI contributions rates being paid by employees and employers covered under ESI Scheme from 6.5 % (Employees' share 1.75% & Employers' share 4.75%) to 4% (Employees' share 0.75% & Employers' share 3.25%). For this reduction, around 3.6 crore employees and 12.85 lakhs employers will be benefitted. He also informed that ESIC has taken many decisions like opening of underutilized ESIC Hospitals and Dispensary-cum-Branch Office (DCBO) pan India and starting of Scheme Atal Bimit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana, etc.

He further informed about the steps taken by Central Govt. to promote ease of doing business by amalgamating 38 Labour Laws into 4 Labour Codes. He also informed the crowd about the Pradhan Manti - Shram Yogi Man Dhan Yojna (PM-SYM) started by Govt. of India for workers of unorganised sector.

Dr. Harak Singh Rawat, Hon'ble Minister for Forests & Wild Life, Environment & Solid Waste Disposal, Labour, Employment, Training, AYUSH, AYUSH Education, Govt. of Uttarakhand Shri Rampal Singh, Hon'ble Mayor, Municipal Corporation, Rudrapur and Shri Rajesh Shukla, Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly also addressed the gathering and thanked Hon'ble Minister Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar and welcomed the inauguration of this ESIC Hospital, Rudrapur. They appreciated the efforts being made by Central Govt. towards providing better medical facilities to the worker population.

ESI Scheme in India

The Employees' State Insurance Corporation is a pioneer Social Security organization providing comprehensive social security benefits like reasonable Medical Care and a range of Cash Benefits in times of need such as employment injury, sickness, death etc. The ESI Act applies to premises/precincts where 10 or more persons are employed. The employees drawing wages up to Rs.21,000/- a month are entitled to health insurance cover and other benefits, under the ESI Act. The Act now applies to over 12.11 lakh factories and establishments across the country, benefiting about 3.49 crores family units of workers. As of now, the total beneficiary population of ESI Scheme stands over 13.56 crores. Ever since its inception in 1952, the ESI Corporation has, so far, set up 154 Hospitals, 1500/148 Dispensaries / ISM Units, Dispensary-cum-Branch Office in 29 districts, 793 Branch/Pay Offices and 64 Regional & Sub-Regional Offices.
