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Laying of Foundation Stone of 100 bedded ESIC Model Hospital, Phulwarisharif, Patna on 25.04.2017

Shri Bandaru Dattatreya, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Labour & Employment, Govt. of India laid the Foundation Stone of 100 bedded ESIC Model Hospital, Phulwarisharif, Patna on 25.04.2017.

The other Dignitaries to grace the occasion were Shri Ram Kripal Yadav, Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development, Govt. of India, Shri Vijay Prakash, Hon'ble Minister for Labour, Govt. of Bihar, Shri R K Sinha, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha, Shri Shyam Rajak, Hon'ble MLA, Sh. Arun Kumar Sinha, Hon'ble MLA, Smt. Asha Devi, Hon'ble MLA, Shri Chandra Prakash Singh, Hon'ble Member, ESI Corporation, Shri Deepak kumar Singh, Labour Secretary, Govt. of Bihar and Smt. Sandhya Shukla, Financial Commissioner, ESIC.

During the function, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge), Shri Bandaru Dattatreya informed that the proposed 100 bedded **ESIC Model Hospital**, **Phulwarisharif**, **Patna (Bihar)** will be constructed with a project cost of Rs.85 crores in a sprawling plot area of 4.88 acres. This hospital will have facilities such as OPD, IPD, ICU, NICU, 24x7 hours emergency services with dedicated OT, Modern Path Laboratories & Diagnostic facilities i.e. CT scan, MRI, 03 nos. of Modular Operation Theatres and many more will be provided to the Insured Persons and their dependants of the area. He announced that this Hospital will further be upgraded from 100 bedded to 200 bedded with super speciality facilities.

He also announced the following:-

- 1. ESI Hospital at Bihta will also be started very soon.
- 2. After completion, ESIC Medical College & Hospital at Bihta will be handed over to State Govt. without any cost. Admissions to the ward of Insured Persons in this college will be provided under IP quota.
- 3. Beedi Mazadoor Hospita of Biharsharif has been taken over by ESIC.
- 4. In Katihar, 20 bedded ESI Model Dispensary will be opened.
- 5. 05 ESI Dispensaries at Munger, Kahalgaon, Katihar, Digha and Gaya will be upgraded into 06 bedded hospitals.
- 6. One 10 bedded ESI Hospital at Motihari, Champaran (Bihar) will be constructed shortly.
- 7. He also requested Govt. of Bihar to provide land so that more ESI Hospitals and Dispensaries may be constructed.

While laying the foundation stone of ESIC Model Hospital, Phulwarisharif, Patna he also informed that construction workers are now covered under ESI Scheme for availing the benefits. Hon'ble Minister also announced that ESI Corporation will provide all medical facilities to working class in the organized sector as well as for the un-organized sectors like Aganwadi workers, Asha workers, and many more.

During the function, Hon'ble Minister, Shri Banadaru Dattatreya felicitated an Insured Woman, Smt. Asha Devi. He said that ESIC is offering better and brighter service for all the ESI Beneficiaries making every Insured Person (IP) feel like a VIP.

Shri Ram Kripal Yadav, Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development, Govt. of India and Shri Vijay Prakash, Hon'ble Minister for Labour, Govt. of Bihar thanked Shri Bandaru Dattatreya and appreciated the foundation stone laying of 100 bedded ESIC Model Hospital at Phulwarisharif, Patna and also said that this state-of-the-art hospital will be beneficial for

workforce of Bihar State. Shri R K Sinha, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha, Shri Shyam Rajak, Hon'ble MLA and Shri Chandra Prakash Singh, Hon'ble Member, ESI Corporation also address the gathering during the function.

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 7.83 lakh factories and establishments across the country, benefiting about 2.13 crores family units of workers. As of now, the total beneficiary population of ESI Scheme stands over 8.28 crores. Ever since its inception in 1952, the ESI Corporation has, so far, set up 151 Hospitals, 1467/159 Dispensaries / ISM Units, 813 Branch/Pay Offices and 62 Regional & Sub-Regional/Divisional Offices.

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