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Press Release

- > Approval of Annual Report & Accounts for the F.Y. 2018-19.
- Creation of additional new Super Specialty posts at ESIC
 Medical College & Hospital, Sanathnagar (Telangana), K.K Nagar
 (Chennai) and Faridabad (Haryana).
- Approval for upgradation of ESI Hospital, Durgapur, West Bengal from 150 beds to 250 beds.
- > Reconstitution of Local Committee under Regulation 10A.
- > 3 Year DNB (Post MD/MS/DNB) courses in Super-Speciality disciplines at ESIC Super Speciality Hospital, Sanathnagar.
- > Release of ESIC Calendar-2020, ESIC Diary 2020 and ESI Samachar.

The ESI Corporation during its 179th meeting held on 05.12.19 under the Chairmanship of **Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar, Hon'ble Minister of State for Labour & Employment (Independent Charge), Govt. of India** has taken some very important decisions towards improvements in its service delivery mechanism.

Following important decisions were taken during the meeting:

- 1. The audited Annual Accounts of the ESIC for the year 2018-19 along with the Report of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India and draft Annual Report for the year 2018-19 were adopted in the meeting for onwards forwarding these to Central Government. As per the Annual Report 1,77,444 additional factories/establishments were brought under ESI Scheme during the year 2018-19 taking total figure to 12,11,174. The no. of Insured Persons/family units rose to 3.49 crores from 3.43 crores of previous year. The expenditure on medical benefit rose to Rs. 8721 Cr. in the year 2018-19 as against Rs. 6867 Cr. of previous year.
- 2. In order to reduce the stress of ESI beneficiaries due to delay in the treatment and non-provision/unavailability of few super-speciality departments/ Doctors in ESIC Medical College & Hospital Sanathnagar (Telangana), K.K Nagar (Chennai) & Faridabad (Haryana), the Corporation in its meeting approved the

proposal for creation of additional new super speciality pots viz. oncology, Neurology, Nephrology, Gastroenterology etc. It will help providing these super-speciality medical cares in medical colleges/hospitals besides cutting down tertiary case referrals and consequent SST expenditure.

- 3. Considering the high bed occupancy in ESI Hospital, Durgapur the approval for upgradation from existing 150 beds to 250beds was accorded in the meeting.
- 4. The proposal for reconstitution of Local Committee under Regulation 10A has been approved in the meeting in order to have grass root level monitoring in each district of benefits & facilities available under the scheme as mandated under ESI Act, 1948.
- 5. The proposal to start 3 Year DNB (Post MD/MS/DNB) courses in Super-Speciality disciplines at ESIC Super Speciality Hospital, Sanathnagar has been approved.
- 6. Besides, ESIC Diary 2020, ESIC Calendar, 2020 and ESI Samachar were released by Hon'ble LEM during the meeting. The Theme of Calendar 2020 & Diary 2020 is ESIC Vision 2022 featuring the latest initiatives to augment the reach of ESI Scheme and strengthen service delivery.

Moreover, Hon'ble LEM & Chairman directed Corporation to examine existing processes and submit proposal for expeditious settlement of claim of referral Hospitals.

The other dignitaries participating in the meeting were Shri Heera Lal Samaria, IAS, Secretary, Labour & Employment, Govt. of India, Sh. Raj Kumar, IAS, Director General, ESIC, Smt. Anuradha Prasad, Addl. Secretary, Labour & Employment, Govt. of India, Smt. Vibha Bhalla, Jt. Secretary, Labour & Employment, Govt. of India Sh. S.P. Bhardwaj, F.C. (In-charge) and Ms. Garima Bhagat, IRS, CVO, ESIC, Representatives of Employees and Employers and Hon'ble ESI Corporation Members, Hon'ble MPs, representatives of State Govts. and Officers of MoL&E and ESIC.

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 159 Hospitals, 1500/148 Dispensaries / ISM Units, 793 Branch/Pay Offices, 43 DCBOs and 63 Regional & Sub-Regional Offices.
