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Inauguration of ESIC Nursing College & Auditorium, Indiranagar, Bengaluru and 3 years achievements/initiatives of the Govt. (Labour Ministry) on 16.05.2017

Shri Bandaru Dattatreya, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Labour & Employment, Govt. of India inaugurated ESIC Nursing College & Auditorium, Indiranagar, Bengaluru (Karnataka) on 16.05.2017. **Shri H.N. Ananth Kumar, Hon'ble Minister for Chemical & Fertilizers and Parliamentary Affairs, Govt. Of India** was the Chief Guest of the function.

During the occasion, the three year achievements and initiatives/reforms undertaken by Ministry of Labour & Employment, ESIC and EPFO was also presented. Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Labour & Employment, Govt. of India also released booklet on ESIC 2017- Expansion & Delivery System, EPFO Citizen Charter and launched EPFO e-court management system. ESIC Medical Health Check-up Camps and Exhibition stalls of different departments under Ministry of Labour & Employment were also organized.

While addressing the gathering, Hon'ble Labour Minister said that ESIC Nursing College has capacity of 40 seats per batch and is conducting 'B.Sc. Nursing' of four years duration. It will offer a great opportunity for the local aspirants to study B.Sc. Nursing.

Hon'ble union Labour Minister informed the gathering about the pro-poor and pro-labour initiatives of the Union Govt. and spoke about various initiatives and reforms undertaken under ESIC and different Labour Acts, viz. Minimum Wages Act, Maternity Act etc. He said that ESIC is offering better and brighter services for all the ESI Beneficiaries making every Insured Person (IP) feel like a VIP.

Besides above, he made following announcements for Karnataka State during the event:

- The inaugurated ESIC Nursing College, Indiranagar to be upgraded from 40 students per batch to the capacity of 60 students.
- Construction of 200 bedded ESIC Hospital at Bommasandra.
- Construction of 100 bedded ESIC Hospital at Mysore.
- Construction of 100 bedded ESIC Hospital at Doddaballapur, and
- Construction of ESIC dispensary at Nalguda, Distt. Mysore.

During the function, both the Hon'ble Union Ministers, Shri Ananth Kumar and Shri Banadaru Dattatreya also felicitated six employers for encouraging their employees to get registered under ESI and EPF Scheme and avail benefits.

Shri H.N. Ananth Kumar, Hon'ble Minister for Chemical & Fertilizers and Parliamentary Affairs, Govt. Of India who was the Chief Guest of the function appreciated the efforts of Hon'ble Union Labour and Employment Minister and was full of praises for the reforms undertaken by the present Union Govt. He also said that the inaugurated Auditorium is one of the best Auditoriums of Bengaluru. He further announced that Jan Aushadh Kendra will be opened in all ESIC dispensaries and hospitals very soon.

The other dignitaries to grace the occasion were Shri P.C. Mohan, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, Bengaluru Central, Shri K. Vasudevurthy, Hon'ble Dy. Mayor, BBMP Bengaluru, Shri C.R. Lakshminarayan, Hon'ble Corporator, BBMP and Shri M. Gautham Kumar, Hon'ble Corporator, BBMP, Shri Deepak Kumar, DG ESIC, Shri Heera Lal Samaria, Additional Secretary, Labour Ministry, Shri B.C. Prabhakar, Hon'ble Member, ESIC, Shri Shekhar Raju, Hon'ble Member, ESIC, Shri V.P. Joy, CPFC, EPFO, Shri Manish Kumar Gupta, Jt. Secretary, Ministry of labour & Employment, Govt. of India and Shri J.H. Nayak, Regional Director, ESIC, Bengaluru.

ESI Scheme in Karnataka

The ESI Scheme was implemented in the State of Karnataka in July 1958 covering about 48,000 workers in Bangalore. Now, the Scheme has been extended to the entire Karnataka State covering more than 23 lakh employees working in about 81,285 factories / establishment, thereby catering to the needs of more than 95 lakh beneficiaries. For administration of the Scheme, E.S.I. Corporation is having One Regional Office, Six Sub-Regional Offices and 43 Branch Offices.

For delivery of Medical Benefit in the state of Karnataka, three Hospitals are being run by ESI Corporation. ESI scheme (Medical Services), Government of Karnataka is running 7 Hospitals, 110 Dispensaries and one Diagnostic Centre. Apart from this, ESIC is having tie up arrangement with reputed private hospitals / diagnostic centres for providing Super Specialty Treatment to the beneficiaries.

ESIC in Karnataka is also running two Medical Colleges, one in Bengaluru and the other one in Gulbarga, having intake capacity of 100 seats in Under Graduate (MBBS) course, 45% of the seats in these colleges are reserved for wards of ESI registered employees (insured persons). ESI Medical College, Rajajinagar is also a Post Graduate Education centre. ESIC has two Nursing Colleges, one at Indiranagar, Bengaluru and the other at Gulbarga. Dental College is also being run by ESIC at Gulbarga.

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.
