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## Press Release

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## Foundation Stone Laying for Upgradation of ESI Hospital, Davanagere (Karnataka) on 20-02-2019

Shri **Venkataramanappa**, Hon'ble Minister for Labour, Govt. of Karnataka laid the foundation stone for Upgradation of ESI Hospital, Davanagere on 20-02-2019 in the august presence of **Shri G. M. Siddeshwara**, Hon'ble Member of Parliament , **Shri S.A. Ravindranath**, Hon'ble MLA (Davanagere North) and **Shri S.V.Ramachandra**, Hon'ble MLA(Jagalur Constituency).

### ESI Hospital, Davangere

Based on the increase in the insured person population and keeping in view the interest of the beneficiaries, ESIC is upgrading the facilities of ESI Hospital, Davangere by increasing the bed strength from 50 beds to 100 beds. The estimated cost involved in providing additional beds in ESI Hospital, Davanagere is 25 crores and the expected date of completion of above project is 31-12-2020. The facilities such as In patient Department, Wards (additional 50 beds) & Operation Theatre., Medical Gas Pipeline (MGPS), Fire fighting works, High Voltage Alternating Current (HVAC), Lifts, Kitchen, Laundry etc., will be made available in this hospital.

#### **ESI SCHEME IN KARNATAKA**

The Scheme was implemented in the State of Karnataka in July 1958 in Bangalore. Now, the Scheme has been extended to the entire Karnataka State covering more than 34.96 lakh employees working in about 97777 factories / establishment, thereby catering to the needs of more than 1.39 crore beneficiaries. The Regional Office situated in Bangalore is looking after the administration of ESI Scheme in the state of Karnataka through a network of 6 Sub Regional Offices, 44 Branch Offices and One Dispensary cum Branch Office.

### ESI Scheme in India

The Employees' State Insurance Corporation is a 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 10.73 lakh factories and establishments across the country, benefiting about 3.43 crores family units of workers. As of now, the total beneficiary population of ESI Scheme stands over 13.32 cores. Ever since its inception in 1952, the ESI Corporation has so far, set up 154 hospitals, 1489/174 Dispensaries / ISM Units, 815 Branch / Pay offices and 64 Regional & Sub-Regional Offices.