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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Foundation Stone Laying of ESI Dispensaries at Vilakudy and Kadampanad(Kunnathoor),  
Kollam (Kerala) on 13.04.2013**

The foundation stone laying of ESI Dispensaries at Vilakudy & Kadampanad(Kunnathoor), Kollam, (Kerala) was done by Shri Kodikunnil Suresh, Hon'ble Minister of State for Labour & Employment, Govt. of India on 13.04.2013. Shri K.N. Balagopal, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha was the Special Guest at Vilakudy. Shri Koor Kunjumon, Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly, Kerala presided over the function at Kadampanad(Kunnathoor).

**ESI Dispensary at Vilakudy & Kadampanad(Kunnathoor), Kollam(Kerala):**

To adapt with the changing health delivery scenario in the country and also to be the best in terms of infrastructure and other facilities, ESIC has started an ambitious programme for the modernization of its hospitals and dispensaries. The ESI Corporation is constructing two ESI Dispensaries in Vilakudy and Kadampanad(Kunnathoor), Kollam for better health and instant service delivery especially for the cashew workers of these areas. Vilakudy Dispensary is two doctors dispensary whereas Kadampanad(Kunnathoor) is five doctors Dispensary, being built as per the norms of Medical Council of India. The estimated project cost of Vilakudy Dispensary is Rs. 2.64 crores spread in area of 1.01 acre and total estimated project cost of Kadampanad Dispensary is Rs. 3.14 crores having area of 2.5 acre.

The ESI Scheme in Kerala was first implemented in September, 1956 and as on today, a total of 29000 factories and establishments involving 6.70 lakhs employees are covered under the ESI Act. The total number of beneficiaries in this State is about 33 lakhs. The employees of these units and their families are provided full medical care including Super-Speciality treatment. Kerala Region is administratively set up of one Regional Office at Trichur, two Sub-Region Offices at Ernakulam & Kollam and one Divisional Office at Kozhikode. Cash Benefits are disbursed through 52 Branch Offices.

In order to provide good medical care, the ESI Corporation is directly running 04 ESIC Hospitals in the State at Parippally, Asramam (Kollam), Ezhukone (Kollam) and Udyogamandal (Ernakulam). The ESIC Hospital at Asramam is a Model and Super Speciality Hospital. For providing

Super-speciality treatment to Insured Persons, the Corporation has entered into tie up arrangements for providing cashless treatment with around 70 Hospitals.

Besides this, a huge network of State run 9 ESI Hospitals and 138 ESI Dispensaries are providing medical care in Kerala. There are other projects which are under planning stage in the State like Dispensary at Kulasekharapuram with sanctioned amount of Rs.3.25 crores, Dispensary at Navikulam with sanctioned amount of Rs.3.36 crores, Dispensary at Vilakudy and Dispensary at Kadampanad. In addition to these, the construction of an ESIC Medical College at Parippally is in full swing.

The two functions have the gracious presence of Smt. Asha Sasidharan, Hon'ble President Block Panchayath, Smt. Mini Jose Prakash, Hon'ble President Grama Panchayath, Smt. L. Usha Kumary, Hon'ble President Grama Panchayath, Adv. Biju K. Mathew, Hon'ble Member District Panchayath, Shri Mohammed Aslam, Hon'ble Member Block Panchayath, Shri C. Sajeevan, Hon'ble Member Grama Panchayath, Shri J. Shahjahan, Hon'ble Member Grama Panchayath, Shri Y. Shajahan, Hon'ble President Block Panchayath, Smt. Arunamony B., Hon'ble President Grama Panchayath, Shri Karuvallil Sasi, Hon'ble Member, District Panchayath, Shri M. Sunil Kumar, Hon'ble Member Grama Panchayath, Shri K. Suresh Babu, Hon'ble Member, ESIC, Shri S.K.G. Rahate, Financial Commissioner, ESIC and Shri S.C. Chakraborty, Commissioner, ESIC.

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