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Shri Mallikarjun Kharge, Hon'ble Union Minister of Labour & Employment has inaugurated the modernized ESIC Model Hospital (first phase) at Rajajinagar, Bangalore (Karnataka) today on 13.11.2010. This Hospital is the first ESIC Hospital where work of modernization and upgradation (first phase) has been completed and which is now state-of-art Hospital comparable to international standard; to be opened for the ESI Beneficiaries. As a part of the initiative for providing the best medical facilities in ESI Hospitals and to compete with private medical hospitals, ESI Corporation has started to upgrade and modernize its existing ESIC Hospitals, one of which is this state-of-the-art Hospital at Rajajinagar, Bangalore. This ISO certified ESIC Model Hospital will have a capacity of 500 beds.

In the first phase of the modernization of this Hospital, the wards for Orthopedic, Pediatrics, Surgery, Burn & Plastic, Urology and OBG have started functioning. Diagnostic facilities i.e. CT Scan/MRI, X-ray, Ultrasound, Pathology, Microbiology and Biochemistry have also been started. Besides this, 12 operation theatres with modern facilities will be made available for different kinds of surgeries within the hospital. This new building is centrally air-conditioned with latest medical equipments. The total estimated cost for modernization of this Model Hospital is Rs. 238 crore and the cost incurred on the modernization of this first phase is Rs. 110 crore. Medical Stores, MRD, Conference Hall for CMEs, Medical Education Unit and Library are also being established in this building. This Hospital will have all the state-of-the-art facilities comparable to any private corporate hospital in the country.

Shri K. Rahman Khan, Hon'ble Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha **presided** the function. The **Chief Guest** of the function was Shri B.N. Bachegowda, Hon'ble Minister of Labour, Govt. of Karnataka. The inaugural ceremony had the august presence of Shri S. Suresh Kumar, Hon'ble Minister of Law, Justice, Human Rights, Urban Development, Govt. of Karnataka, Shri Chandra Kant Khaire, Hon'ble Member of Parliament and Member ESI Corporation, Shri Narendar Babu, Hon'ble M.L.A., Smt. Motamma, Hon'ble Leader of Opposition, Legislative Assembly, Karnataka, Shri Prabhat C. Chaturvedi, Secretary, Ministry of Labour & Employment, Govt. of India, Dr. C.S. Kedar, Director General, ESIC Shri Ramesh Zalki, Secretary, Labour, Govt. of Karnataka, Shri S.K. Nataraj, Hon'ble Mayor, BBMP, Shri M. Nagaraj, Hon'ble Leader of Opposition, BBMP.

The ESI Corporation is committed to work for the welfare of workers and improvement in their quality of life and for providing all possible social security to them. The ESI Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences and Research (PGIMSR) at this ESIC Model Hospital has also come up after getting the permission from the M.C.I. Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors have been already appointed in eight specialties. The institute now got 10 P.G. students i.e. 2 each in General Medicine, OBG, Biochemistry, Pathology and Microbiology. This Hospital will also have a full-fledged Medical College in near future for imparting medical education at the graduation level.

With the passage of time, Corporation now owns a huge infrastructure and provides benefit through 146 Hospitals, 42 Hospitals Annexes, 1388 ESI Dispensaries, 1678 Panel Clinics, 797 Branch/Pay Offices and 52 Regional/Sub-Regional/Divisional Offices.

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