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INAUGURATION OF ESIC SUB-REGIONAL OFFICE MANGALORE, KARNATAKA
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Shri Kodikunnil Suresh, Hon'ble Minister of State for Labour & Employment, Govt. of India Inaugurated the ESIC Sub- Regional Office, Mangalore (Karnataka) on 24.10.2013. **Shri P. T. Parameshwara Naik, Hon'ble Minister of State for Labour (Independent Charge), Government of Karnataka** presided over the function.

While addressing the gathering Shri Kodikunnil Suresh, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Labour & Employment said that this Sub-Regional Office, Mangalore will cater to the needs of Insured Persons and employers of this area. He also said that Central Govt. has brought out many welfare schemes and projects for the welfare of industrial workers of Karnataka State. Hon'ble Union Minister, Shri Kodikunnil Suresh informed that ESIC has decided to enhance the wage ceiling for coverage of employees under ESI Scheme from Rs.15,000/- to Rs.25,000/-. He also informed that ESIC has started its 02 Medical Colleges in Rajajinagar, Bangalore and Gulbarga State of Karnataka.

Shri P.T. Parameshwara Naik, Hon'ble Minister of State for Labour(Independent Charge), Govt. of Karnataka who presided over the function also appreciated the initiatives of Union Ministry of Labour & Employment for bringing many ESIC Medical institutions in Karnataka State.

SUB-REGIONAL OFFICE, MANGALORE

Mangalore with a total area of 132.4 sq km is the main port city of Karnataka State situated to the west of the capital city Bangalore, with a population of approximately 4.5 lakhs. Many major and minor industries including shipping industries are functioning here.

The ESI Scheme was first implemented in Mangalore with effect from 21st June 1962. Gradually the Scheme is extended to other centres based on the progress achieved with regards to implementation and also coverage of the factories / establishments under the purview of the ESI Scheme. The ESI Corporation decided to set-up a Sub-Regional Office at Mangalore to ease the difficulties of employers and the Insured Persons. This office exercises jurisdiction over 12 centres spread in Dakshina Kannada and Udupi Districts. Around 2000 factories / establishments have been covered under ESI Scheme and around 2,20,000 insured persons are getting the benefit under the Scheme.

ADMINISTRATIVE SET UP OF ESIC IN KARNATAKA

The newly set up Sub-Regional Office, Mangalore is functioning from a rented building. Three Branch Offices, viz., Baikampady, Udupi & Mangalore come under the jurisdiction of Sub-Regional Office, Mangalore.

A 100 bedded ESI Hospital, sufficiently equipped, is functioning at Mangalore since 1979. 9 ESI Dispensaries working in different areas are attached to this Hospital. In order to help the patients and the insured persons to visit ESI Hospital, a mini bus shuttle service is arranged to pick up/drop the patients from ESI Dispensaries to ESI Hospital and vice-versa. Tie-up arrangements have also been made with 6 reputed private hospitals for super specialty service.

The ESI Corporation has set up 6 Sub-Regional Offices in the State of Karnataka. Hubli (1998), Bangalore-South (Bommasandra), (July 2009), Bangalore-North (Peenya) (from April 2009), Mysore (2012) and very recently Gulbarga Divisional Office has been upgraded to Sub-Regional Office since July 2013 and now, Mangalore in 2013.

ESI SCHEME IN INDIA

The Employees' State Insurance Act was promulgated in the year 1948. The ESI Scheme today stands implemented at over 810 centers in 30 States and Union Territories. The Act applies to over 6.66 lakhs factories and establishments across the country, benefitting about 1.86 crores family units of workers. As of now, the total beneficiary population of ESI Scheme stands over 7.21 crores. The ESI Corporation has, so far, set up 151 Hospitals including 34 Model Hospitals, 1372/91 Dispensaries/ISM Units, 812 Branch Offices/Pay Offices and 61 Regional/Sub-Regional and Divisional Offices.

The inaugural ceremony has the august presence of Shri Nalin Kumar Kateel, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, Shri Rajendra Kumar, Hon'ble Corporator, Shri M.B. Dyaberi, Labour Secretary, Govt. of Karnataka and Member ESIC, Shri R.S. Rao, Regional Director, ESIC, Bangalore, Shri R.K. Gautam, Joint Director, ESIC, Hqrs., New Delhi and other senior officers from ESIC, Karnataka.

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