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Foundation Stone Laying of ESI Dispensary at Vadavathoor, Kottayam (Kerala)
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Shri Kodikunnil Suresh, Hon'ble Minister of State for Labour & Employment, Govt. of India laid the foundation stone of ESI Dispensary at Vadavathoor, Kottayam, (Kerala) on 08.02.2014. **Shri Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan, Hon'ble Minister for Forest, Environment, Transport, Sports and Cinema, Govt. of Kerala** presided over the function.

While laying the foundation stone of the ESI Dispensary, Shri Kodikunnil Suresh, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Labour & Employment said that the ESI Corporation has taken a giant leap in the state of Kerala by successfully undertaking number of projects for augmenting the services in ESIC/ESI institutions, hospitals and dispensaries.

ESI Dispensary, Vadavathoor, Kottayam:

ESIC is continuously expanding its infrastructure and the network of health service delivery to reach out to maximum number of beneficiaries. ESIC is constructing a 3 Doctor, ESI Dispensary in Vadavathoor, Kottayam to cater to the medical care of Insured Persons and their family members who live in the vicinity. This building for Dispensary will follow the norms of Medical Council of India.

ESI Dispensary, Vadavathur, started in 1980s in the Vadavathur Hospital Building, was a single doctor dispensary. At present more employers such as Private Hospitals and Unaided Schools under the jurisdiction of this dispensary have also been covered and now, the dispensary caters to nearly 14000 employees and their families. Due to the increase in the number of Insured Persons, the dispensary has been upgraded to three Doctors Dispensary. The New Dispensary complex is planned for giving better services to the Insured Persons.

ESI Scheme in Kerala:

The ESI Scheme in Kerala was first implemented on September, 1956 in five districts namely Kollam, Alappuzha, Ernakulam, Thrissur and Calicut. Today, a total of 29000 factories and establishments involving about 7.00 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, four Sub-Region Offices at Ernakulam, Kollam, thiruvananthapuram and 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 reputed Hospitals. Besides this, a huge network of State run 9 ESI Hospitals and 138 ESI Dispensaries are providing medical care in Kerala.

The other Dignitaries who graced the occasion were Shri Jose K. Mani, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, Shri V. Radhakrishnan, Hon'ble Member, ESIC, Smt. Nirmala Jimmy, Hon'ble President, District Panchayat, Smt. Sherly Reveendran, Hon'ble President, Block Panchayat, Shri Byiju Cherukottayil, Hon'ble President, Gram Panchayat, Shri Prasad N.K., Hon'ble Member, District Panchayat, Smt. Rajani Santosh, Hon'ble Member, Block Panchayat, Shri Jacob John, Hon'ble Member, Gram Panchayat, Smt. Padma Kumari, Hon'ble Member, Gram Panchayat.

