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ESI Corporation orders its Hospitals for Preventive Health Check-up of around 1.00 crores workers covered under the ESI Scheme

Unveiling of Annual Preventive Health Check-up for Insured Persons

The Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) has **introduced a landmark health initiative to keep Insured Persons (IPs) healthy and aware about their health by starting of Annual Preventive Health Check-up for Insured Persons (IPs) of age 40 years and above in all ESIC/ESIS Hospital and equipped ESI Dispensary.** A large section of workforce is working in hazardous industrial environment or at dangerous work places; and a sizeable workforce is prone to various health problems due to such occupational hazards. Initially, Insured Persons ignore these health problems but in later stage, such problems will develop in serious illness and thus hamper their earning capacity.

In order to keep them well aware about their health, these Annual Preventive Health Check-up have been ordered by ESIC Headquarters to all 151 ESI Hospitals all over the country. The following main investigations will be done in these Annual Preventive Health Check-ups; besides routine general physical/clinical examinations:-

1. Hb, TLC, DLC, ESR
2. Random Blood sugar
3. Kidney Function Test – Blood Urea, S. Creatinine
4. Liver Function Test-S. Bilirubin, SGOT, SGPT, S.Alk. Phosphatase
5. Urine-Routine and Microscopy
6. X-Ray Chest – PA view
7. ECG

After the Preventive Health Check-up, the health profile/record of each Insured Persons will be uploaded in Electronic Health Record, which will ease the doctors as well as the patients to know their medical history. This IP welfare centric step will ensure a healthy workforce which will further contribute to their productivity in their respective sectors, and towards overall economy of the country.

There are around 2.10 crores Insured Persons covered under ESI Scheme. According to an estimate, about 1.00 crores Insured Persons (IPs) are in the age group of 40 years and above, keeping in view the aspects like salary structure, employment sectors, geographical extent etc. of ESI Scheme.

ESI Scheme in India

The Employees' State Insurance Corporation is a pioneer 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. 15,000/- a month are entitled to health insurance cover and other benefits, under the ESI Act. The Act now applies to over 7.23 lakh factories and establishments across the country, benefiting about 2.03 crores family units of workers. As of now, the total beneficiary population of ESI Scheme stands over 7.89 crores. Ever since its inception in 1952, the ESI Corporation has, so far, set up 151 Hospitals, 1459/188 Dispensaries / ISM Units, 812 Branch/Pay Offices and 61 Regional & Sub-Regional/Divisional Offices.

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