GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 81 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.02.2023

ESIC HOSPITAL AT ANDHERI (MUMBAI)

81. SHRI ANIL DESAI:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a)whether it is a fact that there is a presence of large number of ESIC beneficiaries who are living in Andheri and surrounding areas in Mumbai;
- (b)whether the only main ESIC hospital in Andheri was gutted in a fire on 17 December, 1918 and since then not available to the common people;
- (c)if so, the reasons for not taking any action to reopen the same for the benefit of thousands of ESIC beneficiaries of the city; and
- (d) the time schedule for reconstruction of the same and making facilities available for the general public?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

- (a): As on 31.03.2022, there were a total of 3,38,507 Employees' State Insurance (ESI) beneficiaries attached to the Branch Office of the ESI Corporation at Andheri and 13,71052 ESI beneficiaries attached to the adjoining ESIC Branch offices of Goregaon, Irla, Jogeshwari, Marol and Sakinaka.
- (b) to (d): After the fire incident occurred at the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) hospital at Andheri (Mumbai) in the year 2018, the hospital services were shifted to the ESI hospital at Kandivali (Mumbai) for providing medical facilities to the beneficiaries. Thereafter, consistent efforts have been made by the ESIC to complete the various works at the site including construction of Out Patient Department (OPD) block, Operational Theatre (OT) block, PG Hospital, staff housing etc. in order to complete the hospital at the earliest.
