

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1776
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.02.2023**

HEALTH FACILITIES IN WAYANAD, KERALA

1776. SHRI RAHUL GANDHI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether new ESIC hospitals and dispensaries are proposed to be established in Kerala and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the measures that are being taken to upgrade infrastructure at existing ESIC hospitals any dispensaries and to improve delivery service in Kerala;**
- (c) whether the Government has received and proposals from the Kerala Government to expand medical infrastructure and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by ESIC to expand health facilities in aspirational districts, especially in Wayanad district?**

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

(a) to (d): At present, there are 12 Employees' State Insurance (ESI) hospitals and 149 ESI dispensaries in the state of Kerala. In addition, the ESI Corporation has given in-principle approval for setting up of 2 new 100 bedded ESI hospitals at Perumbavoor and Idukki in the state.

During the last five years, approval has been given for setting up of 13 new ESI dispensaries in the state of Kerala including two dispensaries in Wayanad district.

The ESIC has taken various measures for upgradation of the infrastructure at existing ESIC hospitals and dispensaries and to improve service delivery in the state. These measures include increase in number of beds at ESI hospitals at Asramam and Ernakulam, conversion of a block for operation theatre complex, establishment of blood storage unit, provision of mortuary unit and pharmacy counter at the ESIC hospital, Ezhukone; setting up of Intensive Care Units (ICUs) in 6 ESI hospitals at Peroorkada, Vadavathoor, Alappuzha, Ernakulam, Olarikkara and Feroke; setting up of new Dialysis Units shortly at ESI hospital Mulankunnathukavu, Thrissur; and Chemotherapy units in 3 ESI hospitals at Peroorkada, Olarikkara and Feroke.
