

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2416
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2021**

ESIC HOSPITAL IN MURSHIDABAD

2416. SHRI KHALILUR RAHAMAN:

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

- (a) whether it is true that a letter was submitted to Ministry on 22.06.2021 with the request for an ESIC Hospital in Murshidabad District;**
- (b) the reasons as to why the request has been rejected vide letter no U-16/12/18/1/VIP/2021-Med.II (W.B.) Dated 27.07.2021 considering only the Jangipur catchment area when it was meant for the entire district;**
- (c) the details of prerequisites for setting up a hospital in the district with a population of 31947; and**
- (d) whether the Government will reconsider the proposal for the hospital, if so, the time by which this proposal is likely to be considered and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. A letter dated 22.06.2021 was received to Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) regarding opening of an ESIC hospital at Jangipur in district Murshidabad (West Bengal). However, the proposal was not found feasible as it was not meeting the ESIC norms for setting up of an ESI hospital.

As per the existing ESIC norms, a minimum of 20,000 Insured Persons (IPs) population is taken in radius of 25 km for setting up of a 30 bedded hospital. For setting up a 100 bedded hospital, a minimum of 50,000 IP population is taken in a radius of 25 km.

In the month of June, 2021, the IP population of Jangipur, district Murshidabad (West Bengal) was about 6000. No other catchment area has more than 20000 IPs within radius of 25 km in Murshidabad district. Setting up of a new ESI hospital in district Murshidabad can be possible once the ESIC norms are met.
