

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2311
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025**

MODERNISATION AND UPGRADATION OF ESIC HOSPITALS

2311. SHRI C N ANNADURAI:

SHRI SELVAM G:

SHRI NAVASKANI K:

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

- (a) whether the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) has approved proposals to modernise and upgrade ESI hospitals in various parts of the country, including Tamil Nadu;**
- (b) if so, the details of ESI hospitals selected for modernisation/upgradation in Tamil Nadu, including name, location, bed strength and year of establishment;**
- (c) the details of the nature of modernisation and upgradation proposed and the timeline for their completion;**
- (d) the details of the funds allocated and released for the said upgradation works in Tamil Nadu during the last three years and the current year, hospital-wise;**
- (e) whether the Government is aware of any shortage of staff, outdated equipment or infrastructure bottlenecks affecting the performance of ESI hospitals in Tamil Nadu and if so, the details of remedial measures taken by the Government; and**
- (f) whether there is any proposal to establish new ESI hospitals or dispensaries in underserved districts of Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)**

(a) to (f): Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) is continuously making efforts to develop in-house specialty and super-specialty services by incorporating modern technologies in ESI hospitals itself. Some of the measures taken to ensure quality and timely healthcare are: enhancement of bed strength, procurement of

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advanced medical equipment, establishing the intensive care unit (ICU) / high dependency unit (HDU) facilities as per ESIC guidelines, establishing new hospitals, use of unused land for upgradation and expansion of hospital infrastructure as per needs and demands, upgradation of user-friendly app for OPD appointments in order to streamline registration, reduce waiting time and enhance patient convenience etc. The details of ESIC hospitals identified for modernization / upgradation since 01st January 2023 to 30.06.2025 in Tamil Nadu is at Annexure-I. ESIC has also sanctioned 6 new hospitals for setting up in Tamil Nadu. The details of such hospitals are at Annexure-II.

Recruitment of doctors and staff in ESI hospitals is a continuous process. ESIC has recently issued offer of appointment to 1323 candidates, selected for the post of Insurance Medical Officer (IMO) Grade II, Specialist Gr II (Senior Scale/Junior Scale) and Teaching Faculty for posting in different ESIC Hospitals and Medical Colleges. ESIC has also recruited 2458 number of Nursing Officers. Further, ESIC has also taken necessary steps to fill up 832 vacancies of Nursing Officers, 243 vacancies of Assistant Professor and 11 vacancies of Dean. All Deans/Medical Superintendents of ESIC Medical Institutions have been authorized to hire the contractual Specialists/Teaching Faculty and Nursing & Paramedical Staff to address the shortage, if any, as per requirement.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2311 FOR 04.08.2025 BY SHRI C N ANNADURAI AND 02 OTHERS REGARDING MODERNISATION AND UPGRADATION OF ESIC HOSPITALS.

ESI hospitals in Tamil Nadu identified for modernization during 01.01.2023 to 30.06.2025

S. No.	Name of Project	Bed Strengt h	Year of Establishme nt	Date of completion	Nature of Modernization	Fund Allocated & Released
1	ESI Hospital, K.K. Nagar, Chennai	1000	Taken over from State: 1991	The project has been assigned to M/s RITES. Completion date: 18 months.	Construction of oncology & Nuclear medicine block	Fund Allocated: 123.54 Cr. Fund Released: Nil
2	ESI Hospital, Madurai	200	1971	Project is at Conceptual stage.	Demolition and reconstruction as per new requirement	Fund Allocation after approval of Preliminary Estimate.

ANNEXURE-II

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Details of new ESI hospitals sanctioned for setting up in Tamil Nadu

S. No.	District	Location	Sanctioned beds
1	Kanchipuram	Sriperumbudur	100
2	Dindigul	Dindigul	100
3	Thoothukudi	Tuticorin	100
4	Kanyakumari	Kanyakumari	100
5	Chengalpattu	Chengalpattu	100
6	Erode	Erode	100
