GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

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PERFORMANCE OF ESI HOSPITALS DISPENSARIES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the performance of Employee State Insurance (ESI) hospitals/dispensaries have not been found to be satisfactory and the matter was discussed at the Labour Ministers Conference held recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any directions have been issued by the Union Government to such hospitals/dispensaries to improve the medical facilities provided to the ESI beneficiaries;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the total annual expenditure incurred on the maintenance of the such hospitals/dispensaries, State-wise;
- (e) whether the Government has conducted any independent survey/study by specialised agency to find out the problems being faced by such hospitals/dispensaries in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken by the Government to improve their performance?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) & (b): The performance of ESI Hospitals/Dispensaries is generally satisfactory. The matter regarding further improvement/upgradation of the infrastructure, amenities, availability of medicines and filling up of vacant medical and para -medical posts in ESI Hospitals and Dispensaries were discussed in the State Labour Ministers' Conference held at New Delhi on 22nd January, 2010.
- (c) & (d): The ESI Corporation has taken various steps for improvement in the facilities provided to the ESI beneficiaries as per statement details at Annexure-I. The details of expenditure is at Annexure-II.
- (e) & (f): The ESI Corporation has appointed M/s Gallup India Private Limited for conducting the client satisfaction survey in ESI Hospitals and dispensaries.