

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2473
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025**

ESIC HOSPITAL IN VELLORE

2473. THIRU D M KATHIR ANAND:

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

- (a)whether the Government has conducted any survey or received reports indicating the high demand for a dedicated ESIC hospital in the Vellore Lok Sabha Constituency, which includes several labour-intensive zones like Ambur, Gudiyattam and Vaniyambadi, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b)whether the Government has received any formal request from Tamil Nadu or elected representatives seeking the establishment of an ESIC hospital in this region and if so, the current status of action taken by the Government including funding, design approval and hospital commissioning timeline;**
- (c)whether the Government will ensure inadequate health infrastructure to give high priority to Vellore under ESIC expansion plans that has large ESI subscriber base and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d)if not, the manner in which the Government plans to ensure social security and medical equity for industrial workers and their families in this backward region?**

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (d): Setting up of Employees State Insurance (ESI) hospitals is a continuous process. As per ESIC norms, minimum 20,000 and 50,000 present Insured Person (IP) population / futuristic number of IP population in upcoming 05 years is required within radius of 25 Kms of proposed location for setting up of 30 bedded and 100 bedded ESI hospital respectively.**

At present, a 50 bedded ESIS hospital is functional in Vellore. The IP population in remaining areas of Vellore Lok Sabha Constituency viz. Ambur, Gudiyattam, Vaniyambadi, Pallikonda, Pernmabut and Tirupathur were 26668, 9302, 13652, 1182, 5831 and 3773 respectively as on 31.03.2024.

ESIC received a proposal from State of Tamil Nadu for setting up of hospital at Ambur in December 2024. However, the proposal was incomplete lacking details of land availability etc.

Apart from 50 bedded hospital in Vellore, 06 State-run ESI dispensaries are also functional i.e. one each at Ambur, Gudiyatham, Vaniyambadi, Pallikonda, Pernambut and Vellore. ESIC has also made tie-up arrangement with 02 hospitals to provide health facilities to its beneficiaries in the region.
