

ESIC Central Board meeting was held on 10.9.2021 under the chairmanship of Honourable Minister for Labour and Employment Shri. Bhupendar Yadav. Important decisions taken in the meeting:

- 1. ESI coverage will be extended all unorganised sector workers as per Social Security Code. For that special committee is being constituted to submit detailed report on the basic facilities to be set up, their contributions and benefits. In the first instance nearly 1.5 crore unorganised sector workers will be brought under coverage.**
- 2. All employees will be linked with Aadhaar.**
- 3. In order to improve the working of the ESI Scheme more effective a meeting of All state labour ministers will be called on shortly.**
- 4. In order remove difficulties in medical care , medical reimbursement as well as improvement of facilities in ESI Hospitals will be given top priorities.**
- 5. Unemployment Allowance under Atal Beemit Yakti Kalyan Yojana due to covid 19 has been extended further one year more up to 30.6.2022.**
- 6. For claim of sickness benefits the eligibility criteria will be reduced from 78 days to 39 days work in corresponding contribution period in the wake of covid 19 and reduction of work for which notification will be issued shortly.**
- 7. ESI scheme will be extended to plantation sector.**

Shri. Rameswar Teli , Minister of State for Labour and Employment has also attended the meeting.

B.M.S welcomed the decisions.

V. Radhakrishnan,

National Secretary, BMS and Member, ESIC Central Board.