

# **Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya to Inaugurate 30-bedded ESIC Hospital in Ompora, Budgam, J&K on 24th April 2026**

## **Hospital to Serve Over 50,000 Workers and their Family Members**

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Union Minister of Labour & Employment and Youth Affairs & Sports, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, will inaugurate the newly constructed 30-bedded ESIC Hospital (expandable upto 100 Bedded) at Ompora, District Budgam, UT of Jammu & Kashmir on 24.04.2026. The facility, which is extendable up to 100 beds, marks a major milestone in enhancing healthcare delivery under the Employees' State Insurance (ESI) scheme in the region.

In a special gesture, Dr. Mandaviya will honour the construction workers who contributed to the development of the hospital. The facility will serve over 50,000 workers and their families of the region, improving healthcare access for residents of Budgam and surrounding districts.

The hospital project is constructed on a sprawling area of 5 acres with a project cost of around Rs. 165 Crore. The hospital project includes the Hospital building, Service building and 32 residential quarters covering the plinth area of around 24,500 sq. mtrs. Initially, the hospital will begin with 30-beds and gradually, the bed strength will be increased to 100-beds.



The facility includes three modular operation theatres and one dedicated emergency OT for both planned and critical procedures. It is equipped with four patient lifts for efficient movement and a modern HVAC system to ensure optimal air quality and comfort. The infrastructure features eco-friendly systems such as solar water heating and sewage and effluent treatment plants.

The ESI Scheme was introduced in the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir on 16<sup>th</sup> October 1989, covering about 7,000 workers in Jammu, Kathua, and Srinagar. At present, the ESI Scheme is implemented across all districts of J&K UT serving approximately 1,83,119 insured persons and about 7,00,000 beneficiaries and is administered through the ESIC Regional Office at Jammu and the Jammu-Kashmir Employees' State Insurance Society (JKESIS).

The Medical Benefit Delivery System in the UT of J&K provides primary healthcare through five Dispensary Cum Branch Offices at Srinagar, Kathua, Katra, Samba, and Udhampur, and eight Employees' State Insurance Scheme (ESIS) Dispensaries—03 in Srinagar, 02 in Jammu, and one each in Budgam, Kathua, and Samba under the JKESI Society. Secondary care is available at the 50-bedded ESIC Model Hospital, Bari-Brahmana, Samba, with additional tie-up arrangements with 15 private nursing homes, hospitals, and diagnostic centres for secondary and super-specialty treatment. Cash benefits are delivered through a Branch Office at Jammu and 05 DCBOs located at Kathua, Samba, Udhampur, Katra, and Srinagar.

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