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To,

All Deans/MSs/D(M)D/D(M)N/Regional Directors
ESI Corporation

**Sub: One time relaxation in contributory condition for entitlement to
receive medical benefit including SST .**

Madam/Sir,

As you are aware that during on-going COVID-19 pandemic, ESI Corporation has taken number of measures so that IPs/beneficiaries face no difficulty in availing various benefits under ESI Scheme.

Since the start of nationwide lockdown in March 2020 last year, a number of ESI covered units were shut down resulting in non-payment of contribution towards ESI Scheme. Such ESI beneficiaries may face difficulty in availing medical benefit/ reimbursement of medical claims due to non-contribution.

Considering the potential hardship which may be faced by such beneficiaries it has been decided by the Competent Authority to grant one time relaxation in entitlement criteria for ESI Scheme contribution while assessing eligibility for medical benefits. Accordingly, for all practical purpose while processing entitlement for medical benefit including Super Speciality treatment services of a pre-existing ESI beneficiary, it shall be assumed that contribution has also been received during contributory period w.e.f. 1st April 2020 to 30th September 2020 and there is no break in contribution of fund towards ESI Scheme during this period.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours sincerely

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