

Press Release

The Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) has approved **SPREE 2025 (Scheme for Promotion of Registration of Employers and Employees)**—during its **196th ESI Corporation Meeting** held in **Shimla, Himachal Pradesh**, under the chairmanship of **Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya**, Hon'ble Union Minister for Labour & Employment and Youth Affairs & Sports.

SPREE 2025

The Scheme for Promotion of Registration of Employers and Employees (SPREE) 2025, approved by the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC), is a special initiative aimed at expanding social security coverage under the ESI Act. The scheme will be active from 1st July to 31st December 2025 and provides a one-time opportunity for unregistered employers and employees—including contractual and temporary workers—to enroll without facing inspections or demands for past dues.

Under SPREE 2025:

- Employers can register their units and employees digitally through the ESIC portal, Shram Suvidha and MCA portal.
- Registration will be considered valid from the date declared by the employer.
- No contribution or benefit will apply for periods prior to registration.
- No inspection or demand of past records will be made for the pre-registration period.

The scheme encourages voluntary compliance by removing the fear of retrospective penalties and easing the registration process. Prior to SPREE, non-registration within specified timeframes could result in legal action and demand for backdated dues. SPREE 2025 addresses these barriers, aiming to bring left-out establishments and workers into the ESI fold and ensure broader social protection.

The launch of SPREE 2025 marks a progressive step by the Employees' State Insurance Corporation towards inclusive and accessible social security. By simplifying the registration process and offering immunity from retrospective liabilities, the scheme not only encourages employers to regularize their workforce but also ensures that more workers, especially those in contractual sectors, gain access to essential health and social benefits under the ESI Act. ESIC remains committed to strengthening its outreach and fulfilling its mandate of universal social protection, aligning with the vision of a welfare-centric labour ecosystem in India.

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## **FAQs – SPREE 2025 (Scheme to Promote Registration of Employers/Employees)**

### **1. What is SPREE 2025?**

SPREE (Scheme to Promote Registration of Employers/Employees) is a special initiative by the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC), offering a one-time window from 1st July to 31st December 2025 for employers to register their factory/establishments and all eligible employees without any demand of dues for the past period.

### **2. Who can benefit from this scheme?**

- Employers of factories or establishments (shops, hotels & restaurants, cinema halls, Road Motor Transport Establishments, Newspaper Establishments, Private Medical Institutions, educational institutions and contract and casual employees of municipal corporations) with 10 or more employees, situated in implemented areas, which are not yet registered under ESI Act despite being eligible.
- Employers who have not registered all eligible employees including temporary, casual, or contractual workers under ESI Act.

### **3. Why should employers register under SPREE 2025?**

- No inspection of past records or demand for dues for periods before the declared date of registration by employer under this scheme.
- No contribution liability for the prior period.
- Immunity against any action for non-registration in the past.


### **4. What is the key benefit for employees?**

Once registered, employees (Insured Persons) get access to the following from the date of registration of their employer:

- Medical care for themselves and their families.
- Cash benefits in cases of sickness, maternity, injury, or death due to employment.
- Protection under the ESI Act, 1948, offering long-term security.

### **5. What is the registration process under SPREE 2025?**

Employers may register their establishment through:

- ESIC Portal: <https://www.esic.gov.in>
  - For Help regarding registration through ESIC Portal:-  
[https://portal.esic.gov.in/ESICInsurance1/ESICInsurancePortal/Employer\\_Employee\\_registration\\_through\\_portal.pdf](https://portal.esic.gov.in/ESICInsurance1/ESICInsurancePortal/Employer_Employee_registration_through_portal.pdf)
  - Shram Suvidha Portal (To register, please visit the given below links :-  
<https://registration.shramsuvudha.gov.in/user/register>
  - MCA Portal
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## **6. What is the date of coverage under SPREE 2025?**

- The employer's coverage will begin from the date of registration by them at the time of registration under this scheme.
- The employee's coverage will also be from the date declared by the employer.
- No past dues of contribution will be claimed and no retrospective benefits will apply before the date of registration of the employer under this scheme.

## **7. Will there be any inspections or penalties?**

No. Under SPREE 2025:

- No inspections will be conducted for the period prior to the date of coverage.
- No contributions of previous period will be demanded.
- It is a voluntary, hassle-free scheme.

## **8. How does SPREE 2025 support national objectives?**

It promotes:

- Universal social security coverage.
- Extending coverage to all employees including temporary and casual workforce in factories and establishments (shops, hotels & restaurants, cinema halls, Road Motor Transport Establishments, Newspaper Establishments, Private Medical Institutions, educational institutions and contract and casual employees of municipal corporations)
- Supports the goal of Ease of doing business

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