

## Contractor employees to be counted for coverage of an establishment under ESI Act

***RD ESI Corporation v. Singh Engineering Works, Bhilai and Anr [ Chhattisgarh HC 2019 LLR 719***

When more than 10 workers were found working in the premises of the employer, the Employee' State Insurance Act, 1948 would be applicable, irrespective of the fact that the workers were of contractors or not but the establishment of the employer would fall under the purview of the Act since the contractors of workers are 'employee' under Section 2(9) of the Act and no further independent proof is required.