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F. No. 25022/8/2018/FCC Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division)

> Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium New Delhi-110001, Dated: 21 .05.2018

Office Memorandum

Subject:- Launch of an online Event Clearance Portal for grant of security clearance -- Reg.

The undersigned is directed to intimate that Ministry of Home Affairs on 02nd May, 2018 has launched an online Event Clearance Platform (https://conference.mha.gov.in) for grant of online security clearance to the Conference / Seminar / Workshop being organized in India by a Ministry / Department of the Government of India / State Governments / UT Administrations / Public Sector Undertakings / Central Educational Institutions / Public Funded Universities / Private Institutions or NGOs. The organizers are required to register themselves and apply for grant of the security clearance using the online system.

- 02. A detailed FAQ, Dos, Don'ts and User Manual are available at the website for better understanding of the user. No offline/physical application form requesting for grant of Security Clearance will be entertained now onwards.
- 03. It may be reiterated that the organizers are required to approach the Ministry of Home Affairs for grant of security clearance to organize conference/ seminar/ workshop in India only if the event falls in any of the following two or both categories:
- (i) If any participant is from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Sudan, foreigners of Pakistani origin and Stateless persons (PRC Category) and
- (ii) If any participant of conference / seminar/ workshop is required to visit 'Restricted' or 'Protected' areas in India or areas affected by terrorism, militancy and extremism etc. viz. Jammu & Kashmir and the North Eastern States (Other than States of Manipur, Mizoram and Nagaland).

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- 04. It is requested that concerned officers dealing with the subject may kindly be sensitized for effective use of the portal.
- 05. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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6. Ministry of External Affairs (Joint Secretary (CPV), Patiala House Annexe, New Delhi--with the request to convey the above information to all the Indian Missions/Posts abroad.