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Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
(Foreigners Division)

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New Delhi-110001, Dated: 16.02.2016

To

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Subject: 21ˢᵗ International Conference on Organic Synthesis (ICOS 21) from 11ᵗʰ to 16ᵗʰ December, 2016 at IIT Bombay.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to your letter no. Admn I/I-26/2016 dated 21.01.2016 on the above mentioned subject and to convey this Ministry's 'no objection' in principle from security angle for holding the above mentioned event(s) on the subject, dates and venue specified in the letter under reference subject to political clearance by the Ministry of External Affairs and approval of the Nodal Ministry.

2.   **All foreign participants should be informed to submit online application for Conference Visa at www.indianvisaonline.gov.in immediately.**

3.   Indian Missions abroad are authorized to issue Conference Visas to delegates on production of an invitation letter from the organizer(s), a copy of this letter and a copy of the communication from the Ministry of External Affairs conveying the political clearance.

4.   **However, Conference Visa for participants from (1)Afghanistan (2) Iraq, (3)Pakistan (4)Sudan (5)Foreigners of Pakistani origin and (6)Stateless persons can be issued only after MHA Clearance. Therefore, online application for Conference Visa must be applied at least 60 days in advance. Instructions in annexed sheet must be meticulously followed.**

5.   **Applications/list of participants from the above mentioned countries not submitted in time are liable to be summarily rejected.**

Yours faithfully

(signature)
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Instructions regarding participants from (1) Afghanistan (2) Iraq (3)Pakistan (4) Sudan (5) foreigners of Pakistani origin and (6) Stateless persons.

The participants from the countries listed above should submit online visa application at the Indian Mission/ Post concerned. Copy of the invitation letter from the organizer, clearance from MHA for holding the event from security angle and political clearance from MEA should also be submitted along with the visa application.

2.   For nationals of above countries participating in the conference, information in the format given below should be submitted to the Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division) at Least thirty (30) days before the commencement of the said event/conference if the event I being organized in India by a Ministry or Department of the Government of India, State Governments or UT Administrations, Public Sector Undertakings, Central Educational Institutions, Public Funded Universities or an Organization owned and controlled by the Government of India or any State Government/ UT, United Nations or its Specialized Agencies.

3.   For nationals of above countries participating in the conference, information in the format given below should be submitted to the Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division) at Least sixty (60) days before the commencement of the said event/Conference if the event is being organized in India by private organizers- be it an NGO or a private institution.

Format for furnishing information

S.No	Name	Father's/Husband's Name	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Nationality & Passport No.	Date of Issue	Place of Issue	Date of Expiry	Address in country of residence

The Unique ID (File no.) of the online visa application submitted may also be furnished.

4.   If the number of participants is more than 15, the information should be provided in soft copy **(in excel (x.ls) format)** in three (03) CD also.

5.   For further information, FAQs on 'Conference Visa' under Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) in MHA's website www.mha.nic.in/Foreigdiv/ForeigHome.html may be referred.

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