

Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium  
New Delhi-110001, Dated: 06.08.2018

To  
Professor Roy Rohatgi  
Trustee – Foundation for International Taxation  
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221, Nariman Point, Mumbai - 400021

**Subject:- Annual International Taxation Conference from 06<sup>th</sup> to 08<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 at ITC Maratha Hotel, Sahar, Mumbai.**

Sir/Madam,

Please refer to your letter no. nil dated 14.07.2018 on the above mentioned subject. After scrutiny of the documents, it is found that you have not submitted the complete proposal mentioning the details of participants/venue along with relevant documents.

2. As per extant instructions, security event clearance of Ministry of Home Affairs is required **only** in case one or both of the following conditions are met:-

- (a) Events involving participants from the Prior Reference Category (PRC) countries i.e. Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Sudan, foreigners of Pakistani origin and Stateless persons.
- (b) Events where participants are 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 the States of Manipur, Mizoram and Nagaland).

3. If the Event/Conference attracts one or both the above said provisions, only then a complete proposal may be submitted to this office in the following format at least 60 days prior to the commencement of the Event, mentioning the details of foreign participants **in respect of PRC Countries only**.

S.No	Name of the applicant	Father's / Husband's Name	Nationality	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Passport Number	Date Place of Issue	& Date of Expiry	Address
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

4. Indian Missions are authorized to issue Conference Visa for the Event NOT covered under the conditions mentioned in Para 2 of this letter to all delegates on production of an invitation to a Conference/Seminar/Workshop 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 [list of such institutions is available on the website [www.mhrd.gov.in](http://www.mhrd.gov.in) and the website of the University Grants Commission ([www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in))], or an organization owned and controlled by the Government of India or any State Government / UT, United Nations or its Specialized Agencies. If the Conference/Seminar/Workshop is sponsored by an NGO or a private institution, the Mission would satisfy, as per instructions conveyed to them, before granting visa to the participants except in cases as mentioned in Para 2 (a) and (b) above. If the Mission concerned has any doubt about the background of the sponsoring NGO/ private institution, only then the matter may be referred to MEA and MHA for verification of the background of the NGO/ private institution concerned.

5. It is further informed that Ministry of Home Affairs has launched an online event clearance platform (<https://conference.mha.gov.in>) for grant of security clearance for organizing an event. Necessary instruction in this regards is annexed as Annexure-'A' for reference and future compliance.

Yours faithfully

(N.K. Sahoo)  
Section Officer (CC)

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SECTION OFFICER (CC)  
28/8/2018