

MHA GUIDELINES

<https://conference.mha.gov.in/events/Registrationpre.aspx>

If participant does not belong to Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Sudan, foreigners of Pakistani origin and Stateless persons (PRC Category) PRC or if participants are not 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) then no need to take prior permission.

Guidelines for security / event clearance of Ministry of Home Affairs

1. 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:-
 - Events involving participants from the Prior Reference Category (PRC) countries i.e. Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Sudan, foreigners of Pakistani origin and Stateless persons.
 - 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).
2. If the event/conference attracts one or both the above said provisions, only then a complete proposal at least 30 days prior to the commencement of the event, mentioning the details of foreign participants as indicated in the following format may be submitted to this Office.

S.No	Name of the applicant	Father's / Husband's Name	Nationality	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Passport Number	Date of Issue	Place of Issue	Date of Expiry	Address
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

3. Indian Missions are authorized to issue conference visas for the event NOT covered under the conditions mentioned in Para 1 as above 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 and the website of the University Grants Commission (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. .
4. [MHA instructions to the missions issued vide no. 25022/8/2018 F.CC dated 6th Feb., 2018.](#)