F. No. 42141213/CC Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division)

NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110001, Dated: 24.11.2014

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: 7th International Conference on Communication Systems and Networks (COMSNETS) 2015 from 6th to 10th January, 2015 at Bengaluru.

The undersigned is directed to refer Ministry of Communications and IT O/M 10(1)//2014-CC&BT dated 14.11.2014 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.

- 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)China (3)Iran (4) Iraq, (5)Pakistan (6)Sudan (7)Foreigners of Pakistani origin and (8)Stateless persons can be issued only after MHA Clarence. 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.

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Instructions regarding participants from (1) Afghanistan (2) China (3)Iran (4) Iraq (5) Pakistan (6) Sudan (7) foreigners of Pakistani origin and (8) 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 is 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	Husband's	of	Nationality & Passport No.	of	Place of Issue	of	in country
							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 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.