F. No. 42161449/CC Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- 9th International Conference on Communications Systems & Networks (COMSNETS), 2017 from 4th to 8th January, 2017 at Bangalore.

The undersigned is directed to refer Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology O/M No.10(1)/2014-CC&BT dated 22.11.2016 on the above mentioned subject and to convey this Ministry's 'no objection' in principle for obtaining **Conference visa** for foreign participants in the above mentioned event(s) subject to usual checks as prescribed.

- 2. The organisers are also requested to obtain Political clearance from Ministry of External Affairs and necessary clearance from various other authorities in connection with the event.
- 3. The foreign participant should submit online application for visa at www.indianvisaonline.gov.in immediately.
- 4. Indian Missions abroad are authorized to issue **Conference Visa** 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 political clearance.
- 5. However, 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 Visa <u>must</u> be made <u>at least 60 days in advance</u>. Simultaneously, information about the participants from these countries should <u>also</u> be made available to the Foreigners Division, Ministry of Home Affairs in the format given below:

Format for furnishing information

S. No			& Passport		Expiry	Online visa application Number	Address country residence	in of

(Note: All fields are mandatory)

6. If the number of participants from/of the above mentioned countries is more than 15, the information should be provided in soft copy (in excel (x.ls) format) in CD (in Triplicate) also.

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

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