

F. No. 42180123/CC-457
Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
(Foreigners Division)

Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium
New Delhi-110001, Dated: 11.10.2018

To

Prof. Ranjan Kumar Swain
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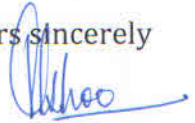
Subject:- International Seminar on "Emerging Trends in Physics & Applications" (ISETPA-2019) from 02nd to 04th February, 2019 at Parla Maharaja Engineering College, Berhampur, Odisha.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to your letter no. P MEC/OPS/1350 dated 10.09.2018 on the above mentioned subject, I am directed to convey that in the light of extant instructions contained in the Visa Manual, security clearance of Ministry of Home Affairs is required only for the foreign participants from the Prior Reference Countries i.e. **Afghanistan, Iraq, Pakistan, Sudan, foreigners of Pakistani Origin and Stateless persons**. Since there are no participants from the PRC category in the above mentioned event / list, accordingly event clearance from MHA is not required for Conference Visa. **Indian Missions are authorised** to issue conference visas with due diligence only after scrutinizing the case on its merits to foreign delegates on production of an invitation to a conference/ seminar / workshop being organised in India as per the provisions in Visa Manual.

2. **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. It is further intimated that no request for grant of security clearance for conduct of events in offline mode will be entertained after 30.09.2018.**

Yours sincerely



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