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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Home Affairs**  
**Foreigners-I Division**  
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Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium  
New Delhi-110001, Dated: 25.03.2025

To

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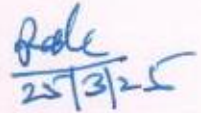
**Subject:- 8<sup>th</sup> India US Forum from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2025 at New Delhi**

Madam,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated 17.03.2025 on the above mentioned subject and to convey that in the light of extant instructions outlined in the Visa Manual, security clearance of Ministry of Home Affairs is required for an event only if, (i) there are foreign participants from **PRC Countries i.e. Afghanistan, Iraq, Pakistan, Sudan, foreigners of Pakistani Origin and Stateless persons** or (ii) **the venue of the event falls under RAP/PAP area**. The organiser of such events needs to apply to MHA on its online event clearance platform (<https://conference.mha.gov.in>) for obtaining the security clearance of MHA. Necessary instruction in this regard is annexed as Annexure-'A' for reference and future compliance.

2. For events, other than the two categories mentioned above, Indian Missions are authorised to issue '**Conference Visa**' to the Foreign Participants.

Yours faithfully

  
25/3/25

**(Raj Kumar Sah)**  
Section Officer (CC)