Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium
New Delhi-110001, Dated: 03 .06.2025

To

Prof. Ashish Juneja,
Organizing Chairperson, Geotech Asia 2025,
Professor, Department of Civil Engineering,
Indian Institute of Technology Bombay,
Powai, Mumbai - 400076

Subject:- Geotech Asia 2025 International Conference from 7th to 10th October, 2025 at Hotel Taj Cidade de Goa Horizon, Goa

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated 09.06.2025 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 <u>only if,</u> **(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

(Raj Kumar Sah)
Section Officer (CC)

Ministry of Home Affairs on 02nd May, 2018 has launched online Event Clearance Platform (https://conference.mha.gov.in) for grant of online security clearance to the 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 or private institutions or NGOs. The organizers are required to register themselves and apply for grant of the security clearance using the online system. A detailed FAQ, Dos, Don'ts and User Manual are available at the website for better understanding of the user. No offline/physical application form requesting for grant of Security Clearance will be entertained now onwards.

2.   The organizers are required to approach the Ministry of Home Affairs for grant of security clearance to organize conference/seminar/workshop in India only in the following two categories:

(i)   If any participant is from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Sudan, foreigners of Pakistani origin and Stateless persons (PRC Category) and

(ii)   Any participants of conferences /seminars/workshops 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 States of Manipur, Mizoram and Nagaland)

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To,
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Sub:- Permission for Geotech Asia 2025 International Conference (October 7, 2025) at Taj Cidade de Goa Horizon, Goa.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated 09/06/2025 on the above cited subject and to inform you that necessary security cover shall be provided to Principal Persons attending the Conference.

Further, the approval of the Government is granted to organize the Geotect Asia 2025 International Conference to be held on 07/10/2025 at Taj Cidade de Goa Horizon, Goa.

Yours faithfully,

(Manthan Manoj Naik)
Under Secretary (Home-II)

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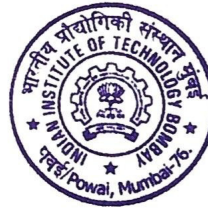Registrar

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