F. No.42250263/CC Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs Foreigners-I Division (Computer Cell) *****

Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium New Delhi-110001, Dated: 03.06.2025

To

Dr. Ekroop Caur, IAS, Secretary, Department of Electronics, Information Technology Biotechnology and Science & Technology, Government of Karnataka, 6th Floor, 5th Stage, MSBuilding, Ambedkar Veedhi, Bengaluru- 560001

Subject:- 'Quantum India Bengaluru (QIB) 2025' on the theme of 'Building a Quantum Ecosystem: Qubits to Society' from 31st July, 2025 to 1st August, 2025 at the Hilton, Bengaluru

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter no. ITBT 75 SEC 2025 dated 27.05.2025 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 (<u>https://conference.mha.gov.in</u>) 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)