F. No23G001192023/CC Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division)

> Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium New Delhi-110001, Dated: 03.08.2023

To

Association of Spine Surgeons of India, C/o Indian Spinal Injuries Centre, Sector-C, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi- 110070

Subject:- Spine20 2023 from 10th to 11th August, 2023 at India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to your online event Id. No. 23G001192023 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 **including state police authorities from Law & Order point of view** in connection with the event. The movement of participants to prohibited areas, sensitive and defence locations is restricted.
- 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, re-verification relating to Blacklist/LOC and subject to usual checks & no local objection.
- 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 (for each participant/individual). Therefore, online application for Visa must be made at least 60 days in advance.

Yours faithfully

(Rajkumar Sah) Section Officer (CC)