F. No.01N001722023/CC Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division)

> Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium New Delhi-110001, Dated: 19.10.2023

To

Central Water Commission, 425 Sewa Bhawan, Sector 1, R. K. Puram, Delhi- 110066

Subject:-25th International Congress and 74th International Executive Council (IEC) of International Commission of Irrigation and Drainage from 2nd to 8th November, 2023 at Radisson Blu Resort Visakhapatnam.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to your online event Id. No. 01N001722023 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

(Tarun Kumar) Section Officer