F. No. 1-5/2017-TS.I Government of India Ministry of Education Department of Higher Education Technical Section-I

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated : 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2022

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The Registrar, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras.

Subject : Approval for holding the International Conference titled 23rd International Association for Hydro Environment Engineering and Research - Asia Pacific Division scheduled to be held during 14-17 December, 2022.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Institute's letter dated 10.05.2022 on the subject mentioned above and to convey the approval of the competent authority for holding the above said International Conference. This Ministry has no objection for organising the above said Conference, subject to political clearance from Ministry of External Affair as per O.M. dated 25.11.2020 (copy enclosed). Further, no additional funds will be provided by this Ministry for organising the said International Conference.

2. In view of participants from some specific countries, attention is drawn to MHA's OM No. 25022/62/2010-F(CC), dated 16.08.2010(copy enclosed), especially Paras 5 & 6. As per the guidelines laid in the above paras, institute shall take MHA's approval in respect of participants from the countries listed in the para-5. The procedure mentioned in Para 6 shall be observed for seeking prior security clearance for organizing conference/seminar/workshop from MHA.

3. Reference is also invited to MHA's OM 25022/8/2018-FCC dated 24.08.2018 (copy enclosed) regarding launch of an online Event Clearance Platform for grant of security clearance by the MHA. The institute is required to apply on MHA's online Event Clearance Platform (https://conference.mha.gov.in) for grant of security clearance in respect of participants participating from restricted countries as defined under OM dated 16.08.2010. This Ministry's clearance will be subject to the outcome of MHA's approval in respect of participants from restricted countries.

4. The clearance from State Authorities shall also be taken, wherever necessary. You are also advised to follow the guidelines of Department of Expenditure vide O.M. No. 19(36)/E.Coord/2018 dated 30th May, 2018 (copy enclosed).

Yours faithfully,

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