F. No.23G000622020/CC Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division)

> Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium New Delhi-110001, Dated: 05.11.2020

To

National Rifle Association of India, 51-B, Nari House, Tughlakabad Institutional Area, Delhi – 110062

Subject:- ISSF World Cup Rifle/Pistol/Shotgun from 19th to 28th March, 2021 at Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Ranges, Tughlakabad, New Delhi.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to your online event Id. No. 23G000622020 on the above mentioned subject and to convey this Ministry's 'no objection' in principle for obtaining 'B-3 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 'B-3 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. Therefore, online application for Visa must be made at least 60 days in advance.
- This will however be subject to compliance of MHA SOP, issued vide order No. 40-3/3030-DM-I(A) dated 22.08.2020 as amended time to time and production of a No. Objection certificate/permission from Competent Authority in the Ministry of External Affairs, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, and Govt. of NCT of Delhi. The airline operator shall also strictly adhere to the guidelines regarding COVID-19 issued by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MOH&FW), MEA and Director General Civil Aviation (DGCA).
- 7. This NOC pertains only to Visa and Immigration process. In respect of Quarantine and all other health/COVID-19 related matters, guidelines of the MOH&FW shall be adhered to.

Yours faithfully

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