

File No. L-20025/35/2024-IC/FTS: 8264756  
Government of India  
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare  
Department of Health and Family Welfare  
(I.C. Section)

504-D, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated the 11th February, 2024

To

Dr. A Kurian Joseph,  
Organizing Chairman,  
Joseph Hospital,  
No. 10 A, Dr. Guruswamy Road,  
Chetpet, Chennai – 600031.

Subject: Permission for Organizing "Asia Pacific Association of Gynecologic Endoscopy APAGE 2024" scheduled to be held from **29<sup>th</sup> August to 01<sup>st</sup> September, 2024** at the ITC Grand Chola in India - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Joseph Hospital's letter dated 22.01.2024 on the subject noted above and to say that the request of Joseph Hospital has been considered by this Ministry and the Hospital is permitted to hold "Asia Pacific Association of Gynecologic Endoscopy APAGE 2024" scheduled to be held from **29<sup>th</sup> August to 01<sup>st</sup> September, 2024** at The ITC Grand Chola in India subject to the following conditions: -

- i. No expenditure devolves on Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. Of India.
- ii. Prior approval/Clearance from the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) and Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) is obtained for participation of foreign delegates/faculties.
- iii. The organizers shall adhere to latest COVID – 19 guidelines as applicable during the conference (20th – 23rd January, 2022) as issued by MHA, MOHFW and State Health authorities
- iv. All other necessary approval/ clearances from the concerned authorities are obtained by the organizers.
- v. The patient service should not be affected during the period of the conference.
- vi. The Conference is not used to promote business interests of any private of public companies/organizations or any of their products in any manner.
- vii. A brief report on the conference may be submitted as soon as the conference is over. In case, the Hospital fails to submit the conference report, permission may not be granted for future conference (s).

Yours faithfully,

(D. Ramesh Babu)  
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India  
Tele: (011) 2306 2796  
Email: dramesh.babu@nic.in

Copy to:

1. M/o External Affairs, Coordination Section, South Block, New Delhi.
2. M/o Home Affairs, Foreigners Division, Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, Near India Gate, New Delhi- 110002.