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Dated the 19th June, 2026

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Invitation to apply for an Online Regional Seminar on the Chemical Weapons Convention and Chemical Safety and Security Management for Member States of the OPCW in the Asia Region on 3rd September 2026 – reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Technical Secretariat's Note No. S/2538/2026 dated 15th June, 2026 (**copy enclosed**), seeking nominations on the above-mentioned subject.

2. The NACWC being the national focal point seeks nominations of suitable and qualified candidates who have at least five years of professional work experience in academia, science and technology institutions, the chemical industry, industry associations, or regulatory agencies in the field of chemical safety and security. The relevant documents supporting the above-mentioned requirements and following the 'Guidelines for the OPCW sponsored events' issued by NACWC may please be sent to this office **latest by 24th July, 2026** through online portal - OPCW Training Management System (<https://training.nacwc.gov.in/Login.aspx>).

3. The Head of the concerned Department/Organization may also certify that the applicant is clear from vigilance angle and no departmental proceeding against the nominee is contemplated or inquired into. Further, it may also please be ensured that nominated individuals have good command of English, both written and oral.

4. Applicant(s) who have already participated in the similar previous programme(s) may not be considered for the course. After attending the course, nominated individuals shall be expected to make a report and a brief presentation to the National Authority.

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To

1. All Concerned Ministries/Departments (As per standard lists).
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises of India, Kartavya Bhawan 3, Kartavya Path, New Delhi – 110001
3. The Chairman, Defence Research & Development Organization (DRDO), DRDO Bhawan, Vijay Chowk Area, Central Secretariat, New Delhi – 110004.
4. The Director General, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) & Secretary, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR), Anusandhan Bhawan, 2 Rafi Ahmed Kidwai Marg, New Delhi – 110001.
5. The Director General, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Krishi Bhawan, Raisina Road, Opposite Rail Bhawan, New Delhi – 110001.
6. The Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.
7. The Director General, NDRF, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.

8. The Director General, Directorate General-Fire Services, Civil Defense & Home Guards, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, East Block-7, Level-7, R.K. Puram, New Delhi-110066.
9. The Joint Secretary & DG, DGFASLI, N S Mankikar Marg, Sion, Mumbai 400022.
10. Chief Controller of Explosives, Petroleum & Explosives Safety Organization (PESO), Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, A Block CGO Complex Fifth floor Seminary Hills Nagpur - (Maharashtra) – 440006
11. The Chairperson, Basic Chemicals, Cosmetics & Dyes Export Promotion Council (CHEMEXCIL), Jhansi Castle, 4th Floor, 7 Cooperage Road, Colaba, Mumbai - 400 001
12. The Indian Chemical Council, 602 Sir Vithaldas Chambers, 6 Floor, 16 Mumbai Samachar Marg, Mumbai - 400 001.
13. Any concerned organization related to chemical industries/research and academia, and dealing with chemicals.



NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR AN ONLINE REGIONAL SEMINAR ON
THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION AND CHEMICAL SAFETY
AND SECURITY MANAGEMENT FOR MEMBER STATES
OF THE OPCW IN THE ASIA REGION
3 SEPTEMBER 2026**

BACKGROUND

1. The Technical Secretariat of the OPCW (the Secretariat) wishes to inform Member States that an online seminar on the Chemical Weapons Convention (the Convention) and chemical safety and security management for Member States of the OPCW in the Asia region will be held in English on 3 September 2026.
2. The Secretariat invites National Authorities or governmental representatives responsible for chemical safety and security management, representatives from chemical industry associations, and managers involved in chemical industry safety and security and Responsible Care[®] to submit applications for the seminar, which is being organised to further promote international cooperation programmes that focus on chemical industry outreach and industry-related aspects of the implementation of Article XI of the Convention.
3. The objectives of the seminar are to:
 - (a) provide tools to assess, mitigate, and respond to the risks of chemical accidents, and prevent misuse of dual-use chemicals;
 - (b) highlight how emerging technologies, such as artificial intelligence, may affect chemical safety and security, as well as the overall implementation of the Convention;
 - (c) provide an opportunity for participating Member States to consider and discuss specific chemical safety and security management issues related to chemical processes;
 - (d) contribute to sharing information and exchanging experiences and generate recommendations on the practical implementation of chemical safety and security management programmes; and
 - (e) foster broader cooperation between Member States on issues related to the chemical industry to ensure the achievement of the objectives of Article XI of the Convention (promoting the peaceful uses of chemistry).
4. The seminar programme will be provided to selected participants in due course.



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

5. The seminar is open to participants who:
 - (a) are citizens of OPCW Member States in the Asia region;
 - (b) have at least five years of professional work experience in academia, science and technology institutions, the chemical industry, industry associations, or regulatory agencies in the field of chemical safety and security;
 - (c) have not attended similar events organised by the OPCW in the last three years; and
 - (d) have a good written and oral command of English.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

6. Interested candidates are invited to submit their applications through Eventus, the OPCW event management platform (<https://apps.opcw.org/eventus>). Applicants must first create an account and then register for the event.
7. Only nominations endorsed by the National Authority or Permanent Representation of the applicant's country to the OPCW will be considered. Each application must be endorsed digitally on the Eventus platform by the applicant's respective National Authority or Permanent Representation, and be accompanied by a curriculum vitae or a short abstract describing the applicant's current research, work, and projects, in particular in the areas of chemical safety and security, transportation security, hazardous waste management, and new trends in chemical technology. A photocopy of the personal identification page of the applicant's passport is also requested. The Secretariat strongly encourages applications from qualified women candidates. Only selected candidates will be notified by the Secretariat.
8. Applications must be submitted in Eventus no later than 31 July 2026. Incomplete or improperly filled out applications will not be considered. Additional information may be obtained from the International Cooperation Branch of the International Cooperation and Assistance Division. The contact persons are Ms Ting Zhang, Senior Administrative Assistant (ting.zhang@opcw.org) and Mr Azamatbek Salikhov, Associate Programme Officer (azamatbek.salikhov@opcw.org).