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To, The Consulate General of Israel, Marathon Futurex 1301, A Wing N.M. Joshi Marg Lower Parel Mumbai – 400013.

Subject: Visa application of Prof. Tirthankar Roy Choudhury.

Dear Madam/Sir,

The National Centre for Radio Astrophysics (NCRA) is a centre of the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research. We have set up a unique facility, the Giant Metrewave Radio Telescope (GMRT), for radio astronomical research at metre wavelengths. The GMRT is a very versatile instrument for investigating a variety of important radio astrophysical problems. NCRA has interactive and collaborative scientific and research programs with various institutes all over the world.

Prof. Tirthankar Roy Choudhury (Indian national, with passport number Z3944857) is employed by the National Centre for Radio Astrophysics (NCRA) since 12th March, 2012 as a Professor – H. Prof. Tirthankar Roy Choudhury has been invited for the conference "Neutral Hydrogen as a Cosmological Probe Across Cosmic Time" at Nazareth, Israel from 15th to 19th May, 2023 to present an invited talk. After the conference, Prof. Tirthankar Roy Choudhury will return to India, on 20th May, 2023.

Prof. Tirthankar Roy Choudhury has long-term medical insurance as part of his job at NCRA. He also has complete medical coverage during his trip (see attached document). His expenses for the trip to Israel will be borne by NCRA.

We request you to issue the necessary visa to Prof. Tirthankar Roy Choudhury for his visit to Israel for the above purpose for a period of 14th May to 20th May, 2023.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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