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Type	Model
Type I	THC-B159-MS
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Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause harmful interference.
2. This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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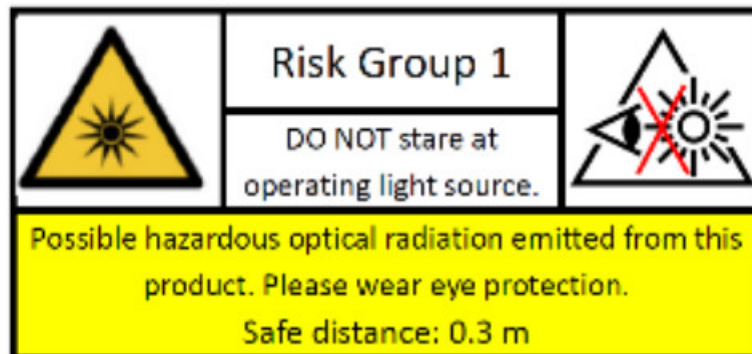
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These instructions are intended to ensure that users can use the product correctly to avoid danger or property loss.

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**Cautions:** Injury or equipment damage may occur if any



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## Introduction

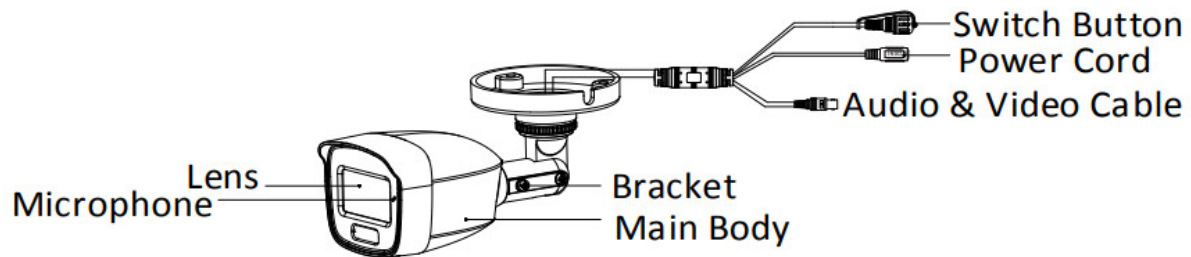
### 1.1 Product Features

The main features are as follows:

- High-performance CMOS sensor
- Smart light
- 4-in-1 video output
- Audio over coaxial cable

### 1.2 Overview

Overview of Type I Camera

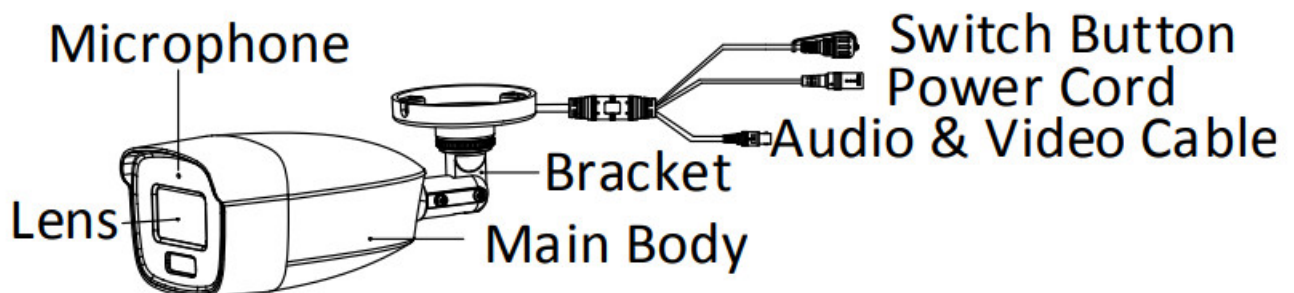


**Figure 1-1 Overview of Type I Camera**

**Note:**

Press and hold the switch button for 5 seconds to switch the video output. Four kinds of video outputs are available: TVI, AHD, CVI, and CVBS.

**Overview of Type II Camera**



**Figure 1-2 Overview of Type II Camera**

**Note:**

Press and hold the switch button for 5 seconds to switch the video output. Four kinds of video outputs are available: TVI, AHD, CVI, and CVBS.

**Installation**

**Before you start**

- Make sure that the device in the package is in good condition and all the assembly parts are included.
- Make sure that all the related equipment is power-off during the installation.
- Check the specification of the products for the installation environment.
- Check whether the power supply is matched with your power output to avoid damage.
- Make sure the wall is strong enough to withstand three times the weight of the camera and the mount.
- If the product does not function properly, contact your dealer or the nearest service center. Do NOT disassemble the camera for repair or maintenance by yourself.

**2.1 Installation of Type I Camera**

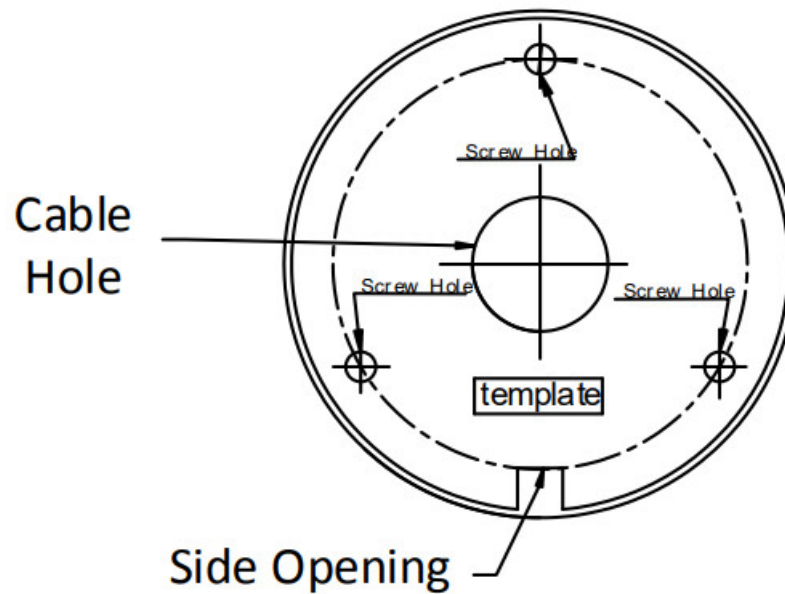
Ceiling/Wall Mounting without Junction Box Before you start:

The ceiling mounting and wall mounting are similar.

The following steps take ceiling mounting as an example.

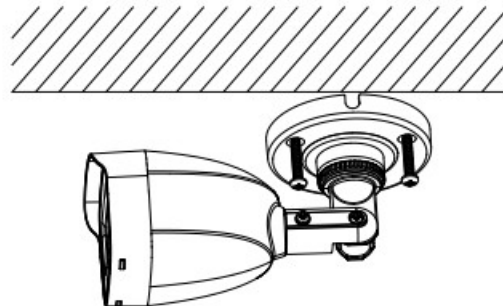
**Steps:**

1. Paste the drill template (supplied) to the place where you want to install the camera.
2. (Optional) For the cement ceiling, drill the screw holes with a 5.5 mm drill and insert the supplied wall plugs.



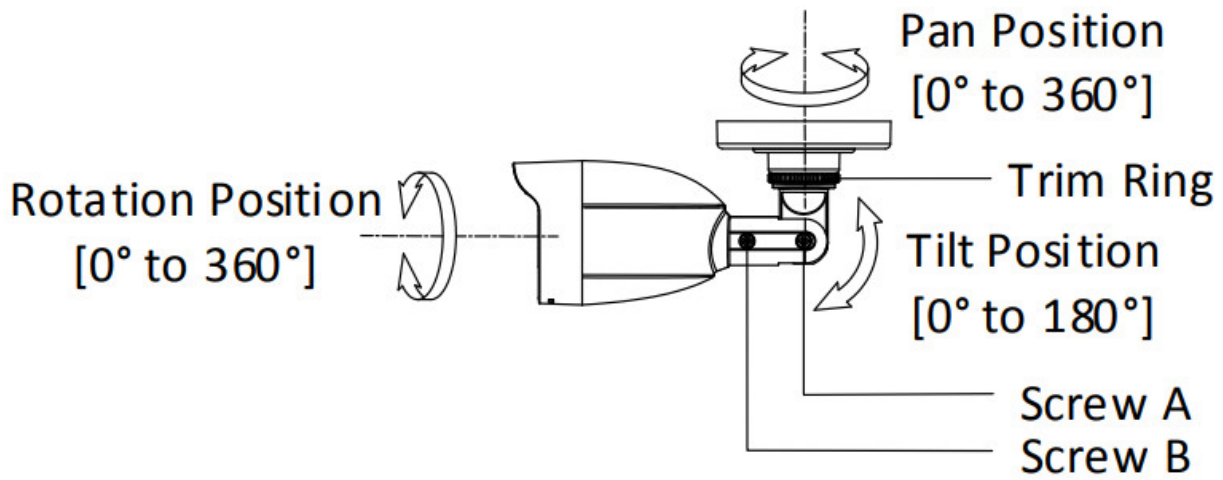
**Figure 2-1 Drill Template**

3. (Optional) Drill the cable hole, when the cables are routed through the ceiling.
4. Align the screw holes in the bracket to the ceiling, and secure the camera with three PA4 × 25 screws (supplied).



**Figure 2-2 Secure the Camera to the Ceiling**

5. Connect the cables.
6. Power on the camera to check whether the image on the monitor is gotten from the optimum angle. If not, adjust the camera according to the figure below.



**Figure 2-3 3-Axis Adjustment**

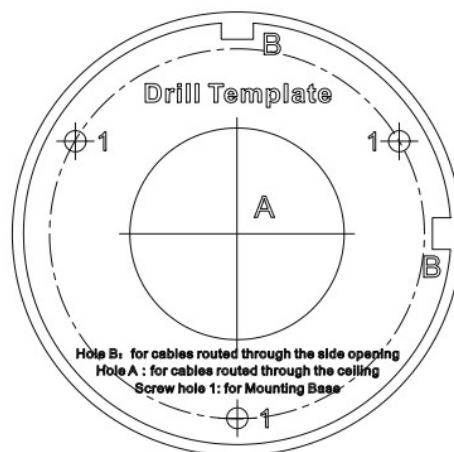
- 1). Loosen the trim ring to adjust the pan position [0° to 360°].
- 2). Loosen screw A to adjust the tilt position [0° to 180°].
- 3). Loosen screw B to adjust the rotation position [0° to 360°].
7. Tighten the trim ring and screws to finish the installation.

**Ceiling/Wall Mounting with Junction Box Before you start:**

- You need to purchase a junction box in advance.
- Ceiling mounting and wall mounting are similar.

The following steps take wall mounting as an example. Steps:

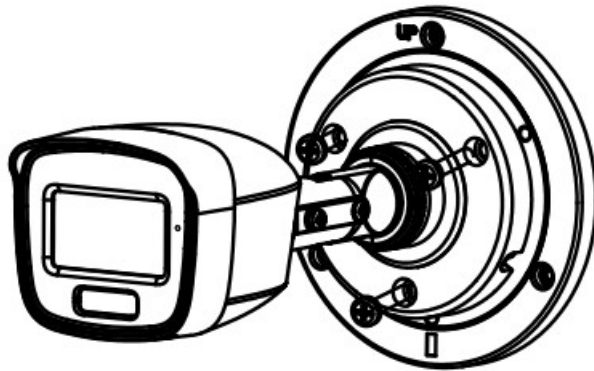
1. Paste the drill template for the junction box to the place where you want to install the camera.
2. (Optional) For the cement wall, drill the screw holes with a 5.5 mm drill and insert the supplied wall plugs.



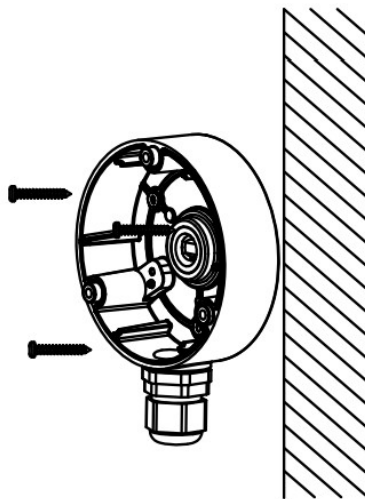
**Figure 2-4 Drill Template for Junction Box**

3. (Optional) Drill the cable hole, when the cables are routed through the wall.
4. Take apart the junction box.
5. Align the screw holes of the camera with those on the junction box cover. Attach the camera to the junction box cover with three PM4 × 10 screws.



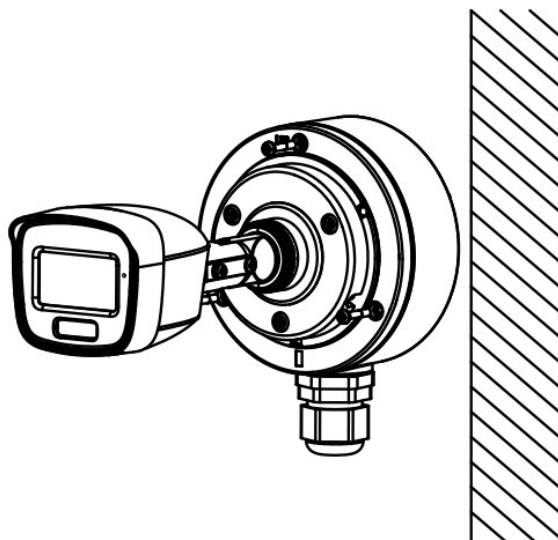


6. Secure the junction box body on the wall with three PA4 × 25 screws (supplied).



**Figure 2-6 Secure the Junction Box on the Wall**

7. Route the cables through the bottom cable hole or side cable hole of the junction box and connect the cables.
8. Fix the junction box cover on its body with three PM3 × 16 L6 screws that come with the junction box.



**Figure 2-7 Fix the Junction Box Cover on Its Body**

9. Repeat steps 6 to 7 of 2.1.1 Ceiling/Wall Mounting without Junction Box to finish the installation.

## **2.2 Installation of Type II Camera**

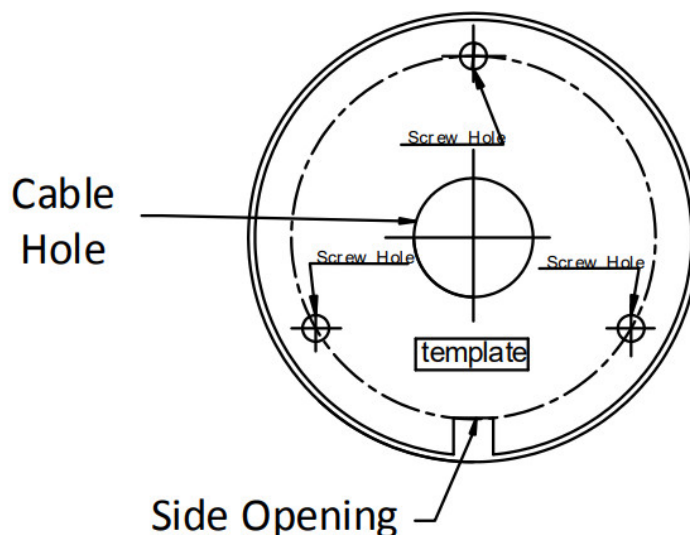
Ceiling/Wall Mounting without Junction Box Before you start:

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The following steps take ceiling mounting as an example.

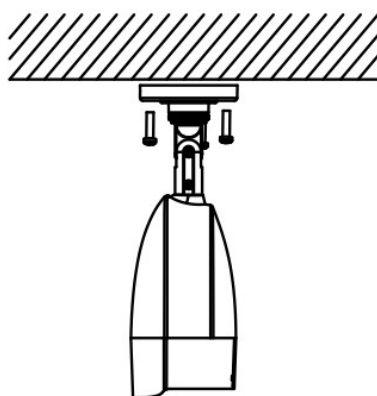
**Steps:**

1. Paste the drill template (supplied) to the place where you want to install the camera.
2. (Optional) For the cement ceiling, drill the screw holes with a 5.5 mm drill and insert the supplied wall plugs.



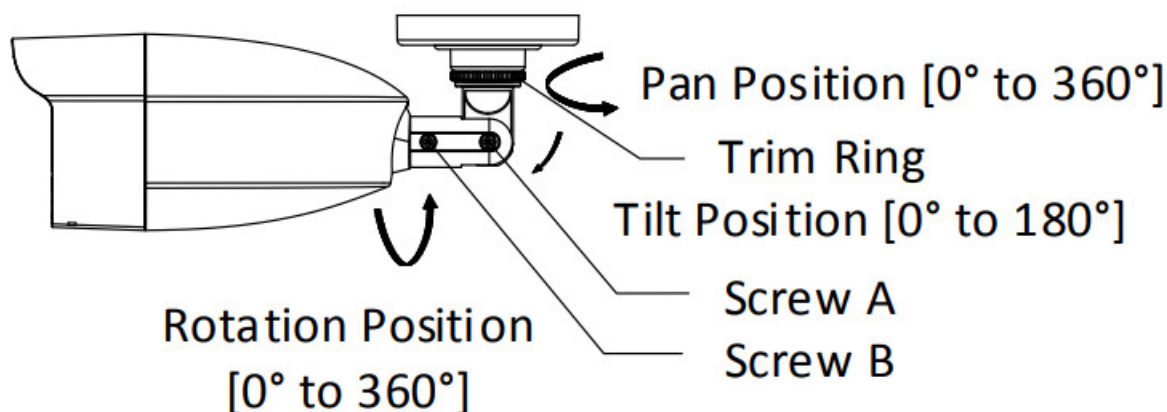
**Figure 2-8 Drill Template**

3. (Optional) Drill the cable hole, when the cables are routed through the ceiling.
4. Align the screw holes in the bracket to the ceiling, and secure the camera with three PA4 × 25 screws (supplied).



**Figure 2-9 Secure the Camera to the Ceiling**

5. Connect the cables.
6. Power on the camera to check whether the image on the monitor is gotten from the optimum angle. If not, adjust the camera according to the figure below.



**Figure 2-10 3-Axis Adjustment**

- 1). Loosen the trim ring to adjust the pan position [0° to 360°].



- 2). Loosen screw A to adjust the tilt position [0° to 180°].
- 3). Loosen screw B to adjust the rotation position [0° to 360°].
7. Tighten the trim ring and screws to finish the installation.

### Ceiling/Wall Mounting with Junction Box

Installation of Type II camera with a junction box is similar to that of a type I camera. Refer to 2.1.2 Ceiling/Wall Mounting with Junction Box for details.

### Menu Description

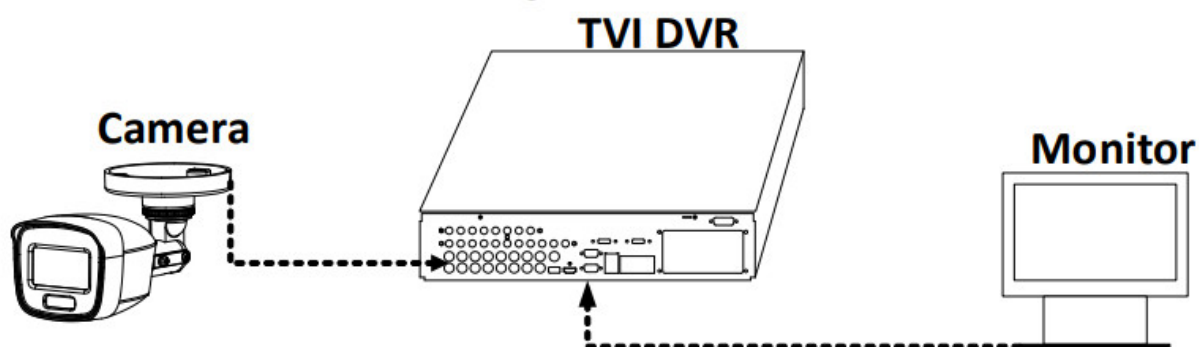
Please follow the steps below to call the menu.

#### Note:

The actual display may vary with your camera model.

#### Steps:

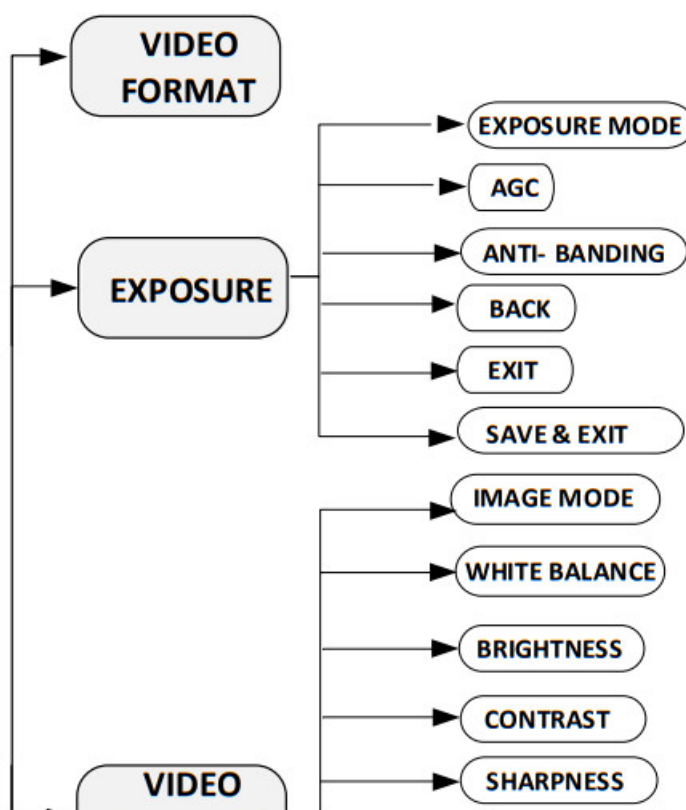
1. Connect the camera with the TVI DVR and the monitor, as shown in figure 3-1.

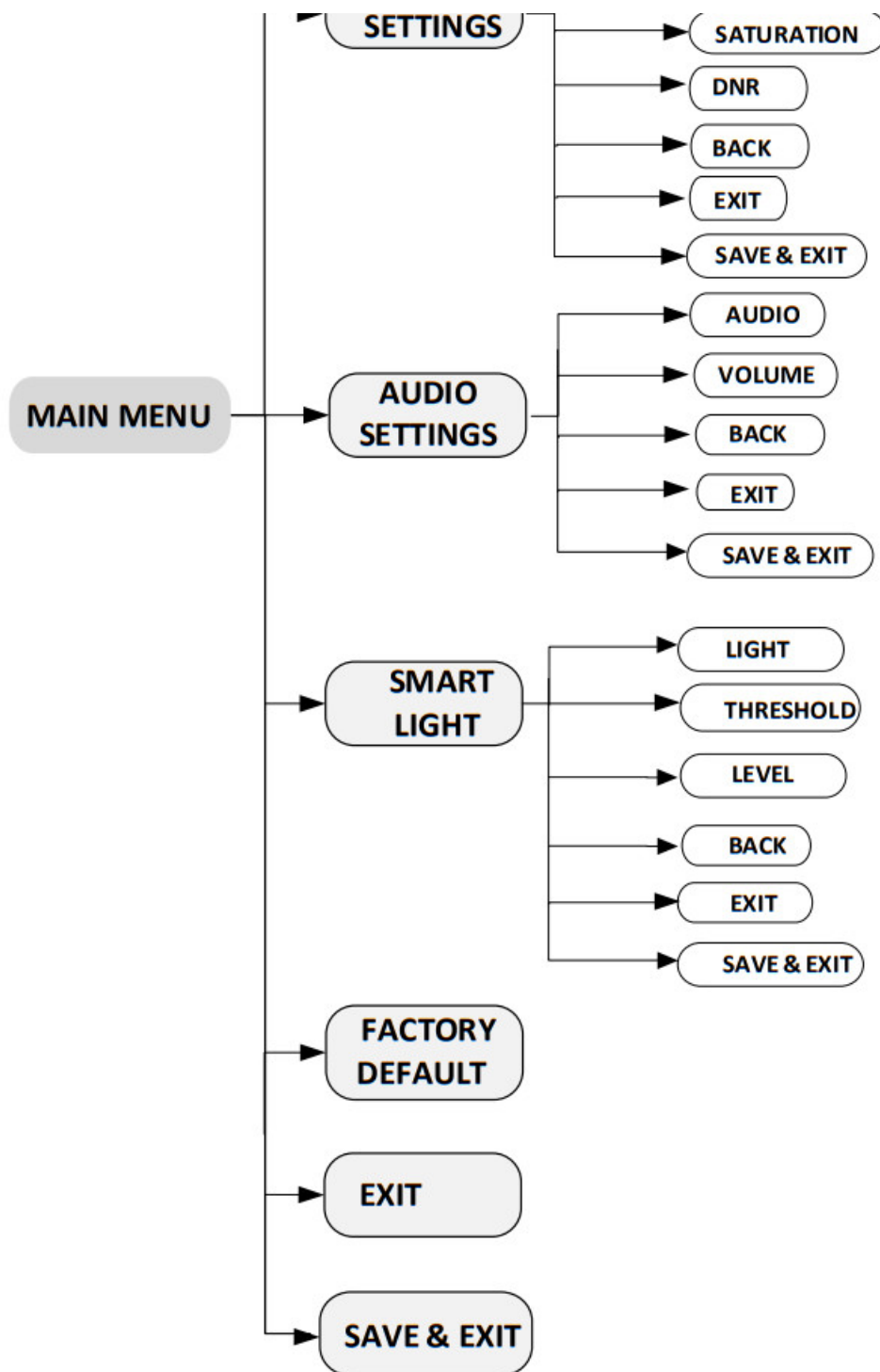


**Figure 3-1 Connection**

2. Power on the camera, TVI DVR, and monitor to view the image on the monitor.
3. Click PTZ Control to enter the PTZ Control interface.

4. Call the camera menu by clicking  a button or calling preset No. 95.





5. Click the direction buttons to control the camera.

- 1). Click the up/down direction buttons to select menu options.
- 2). Click Iris + to confirm the selection.
- 3). Click the left/right direction buttons to adjust the value of the selected option.

### 3.1 VIDEO FORMAT

Video formats are available as follows:

- When switching the video output to TVI, you can set the video format as 3K@20 fps, 4M@25 fps, 4M@30 fps, 2M@25 fps, or 2M@30 fps.
- When switching the video output to CVBS, you can set the video format as PAL, or NTSC.
- When switching the video output to AHD, you can set the video format as 4M@25 fps, or 4M@30 fps.
- When switching the video output to CVI, you can set the video format as 4M@25 fps, or 4M@30 fps.

3.2 EXPOSURE  
EXPOSURE MODE

You can set the EXPOSURE MODE to GLOBAL, BLC, HLC, or DWDR.

• GLOBAL

GLOBAL refers to the normal exposure mode which adjusts lighting distribution, variations, and non-standard processing.

• BLC (Backlight Compensation)

BLC (Backlight Compensation) compensates light to the object in the front to make it clear, but this may cause over-exposure of the background where the light is strong.

• HLC (Highlight Compensation)

HLC stands for highlight compensation. The camera detects strong spots (over-exposure portion of image) and reduces the brightness of strong spots to improve the overall images.

• DWDR (Digital Wide Dynamic Range)

The digital wide dynamic range gives the camera the ability to view dark areas of given image as well as extremely lighted portions of the image or areas of high contrast.

AGC (Auto Gain Control) It optimizes the clarity of the image in poor light conditions. The AGC level can be set to HIGH, MEDIUM, or LOW.

Note:

The noise will be amplified when setting the AGC level.

ANTI-BANDING

ANTI-BANDING is a camera setting that prevents the appearance of horizontal lines (banding) when photographing images in low-frequency light and high-brightness environments.

VIDEO SETTINGS

Move the cursor to VIDEO SETTINGS and click Iris+ to enter the submenu. IMAGE MODE, WHITE BALANCE, BRIGHTNESS, CONTRAST, SHARPNESS, SATURATION, and DNR are adjustable.

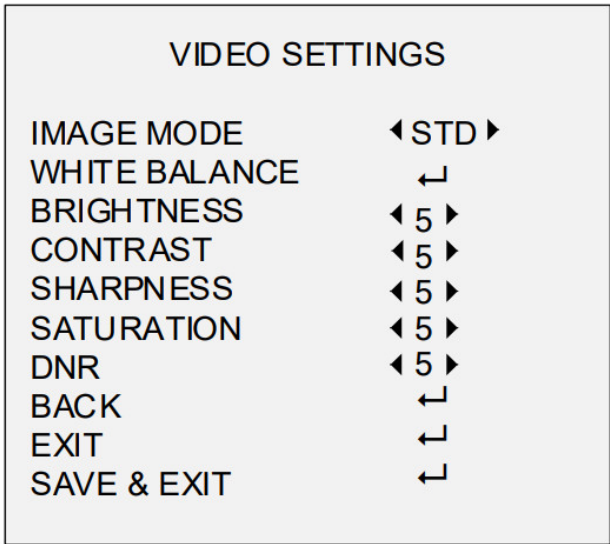


Figure 3-3 VIDEO SETTINGS

IMAGE MODE

IMAGE MODE is used to adjust the image saturation, and you can set it to STD (Standard), HIGH-SAT (High Saturation), or HIGHLIGHT (better indoor facial details).

WHITE BALANCE

White balance, the white rendition function of the camera, is to adjust the color temperature according to the environment. It can remove unrealistic color casts in the image. You can set WHITE BALANCE mode to AUTO or MANUAL.

- **AUTO**

Under AUTO mode, the white balance is adjusted automatically according to the color temperature of the scene illumination.

- **MANUAL**

You can adjust the R-GAIN and B-GAIN values to correct colors manually.

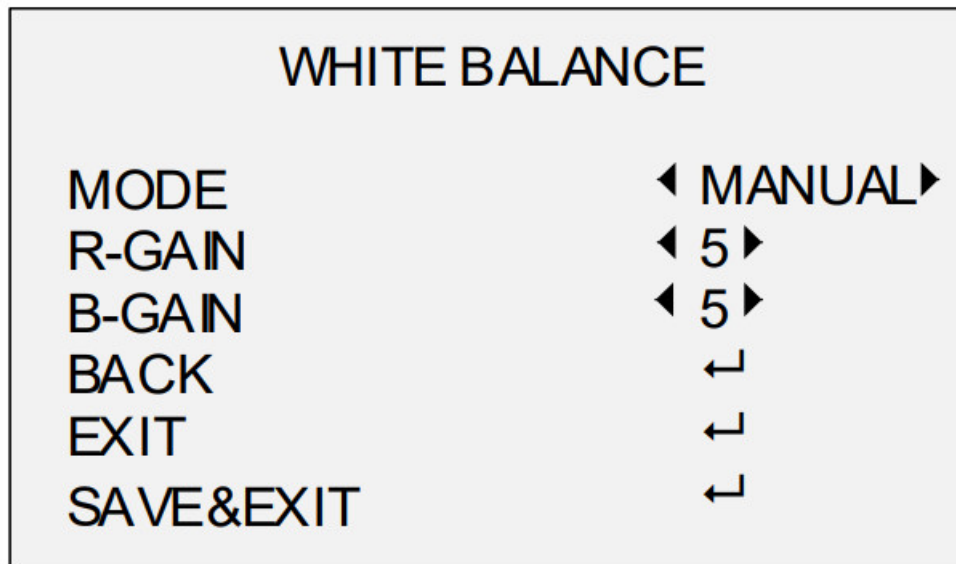


Figure 3-4 WHITE BALANCE

### **BRIGHTNESS**

Brightness refers to the brightness of the image. You can set the brightness value from 1 to 9 to darken or brighten the image. The greater the value is, the brighter the image is.

### **CONTRAST**

This feature enhances the difference in color and light between parts of an image.

### **SHARPNESS**

Sharpness determines the amount of detail an imaging system can reproduce.

### **SATURATION**

Saturation is the proportion of pure chromatic color in the total color sensation. Adjust this feature to change the saturation of the color.

### **DNR**

DNR refers to digital noise reduction. This function reduces noise in the video stream.

## **3.4 AUDIO SETTINGS**

Under the AUDIO SETTINGS sub-menu, you can set the mode to ON or OFF. Adjust the VOLUME to a higher value to raise the volume.

### **Note:**

Audio settings are only supported in TVI mode.

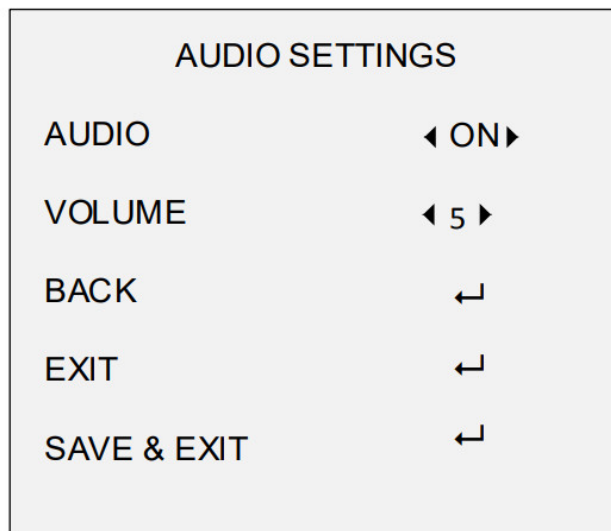


Figure 3-5 AUDIO SETTINGS

### 3.5 SMART LIGHT

SMART LIGHT is used to control the integrated white light and avoid overexposure when the light is on. You can set the light as AUTO or OFF.

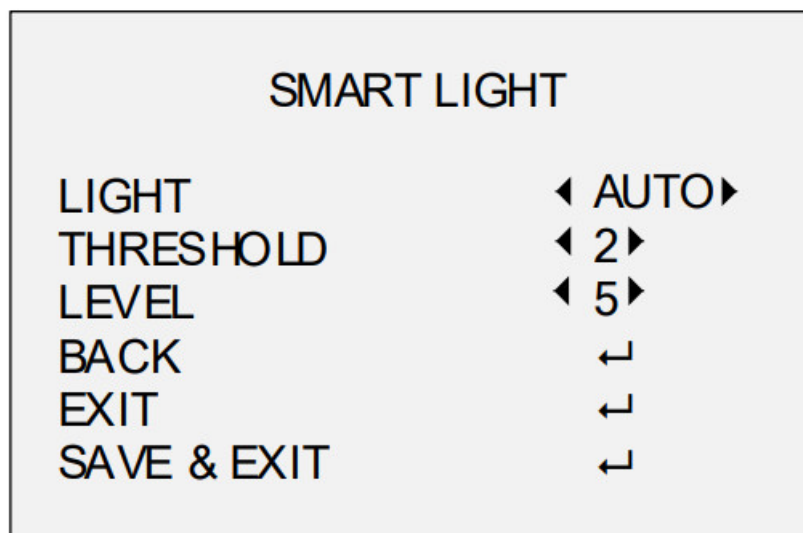


Figure 3-6 SMART LIGHT

- **AUTO**

Under the AUTO mode, the white light turns on automatically as the environment becomes dark. The THRESHOLD is the environmental light level at which the white light turns on. The greater the value is, the darker the environment should be to activate the light.

The value of the LEVEL controls the brightness of the white light. The greater the value is, the brighter the light is.

- **OFF**

The white light is always off except when the alarm is set and triggered.

### 3.6 FACTORY DEFAULT

Reset all the settings to factory defaults.

### 3.7 EXIT



Move the cursor to EXIT and click Iris+ to exit the menu.

3.8 SAVE & EXIT

Move the cursor to SAVE & EXIT and click Iris+ to save the settings and exit the menu.

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