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### Emergency Preparedness and Response

# Fukushima Accident: Lessons Learned – Way Forward

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# International EPR Framework

## Legal instruments

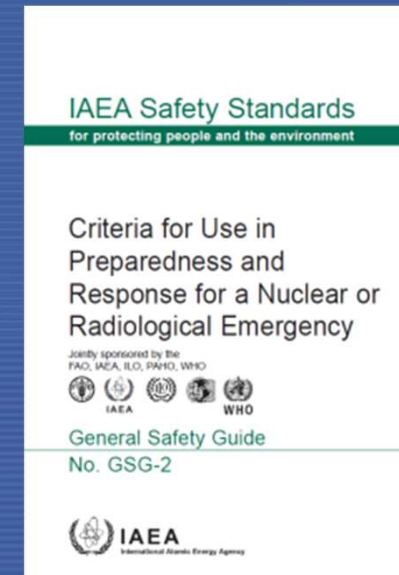
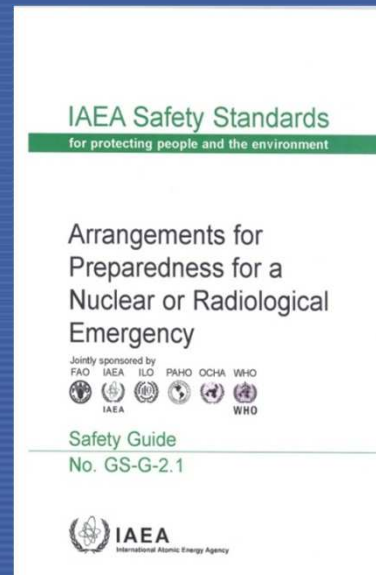
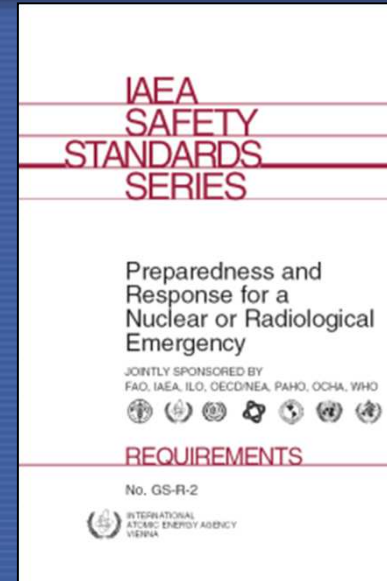
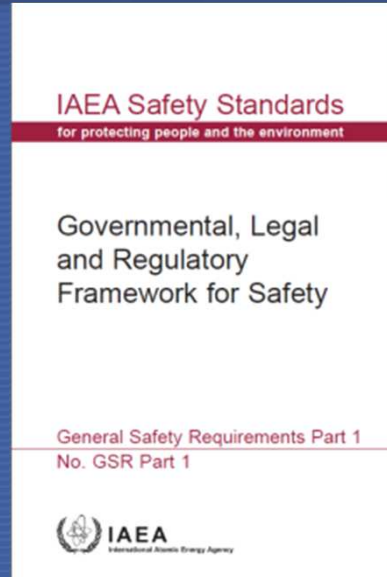
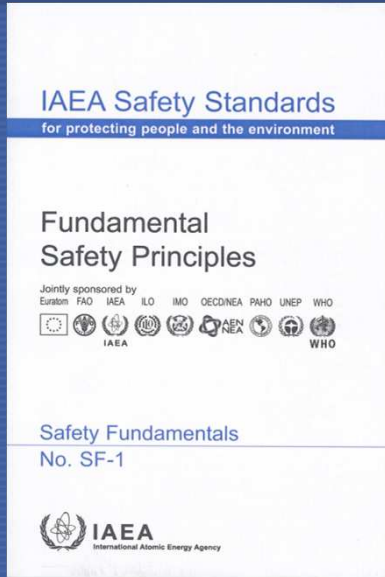
**Convention  
on Early Notification  
of a Nuclear Accident  
and  
Convention on Assistance  
in the Case  
of a Nuclear Accident  
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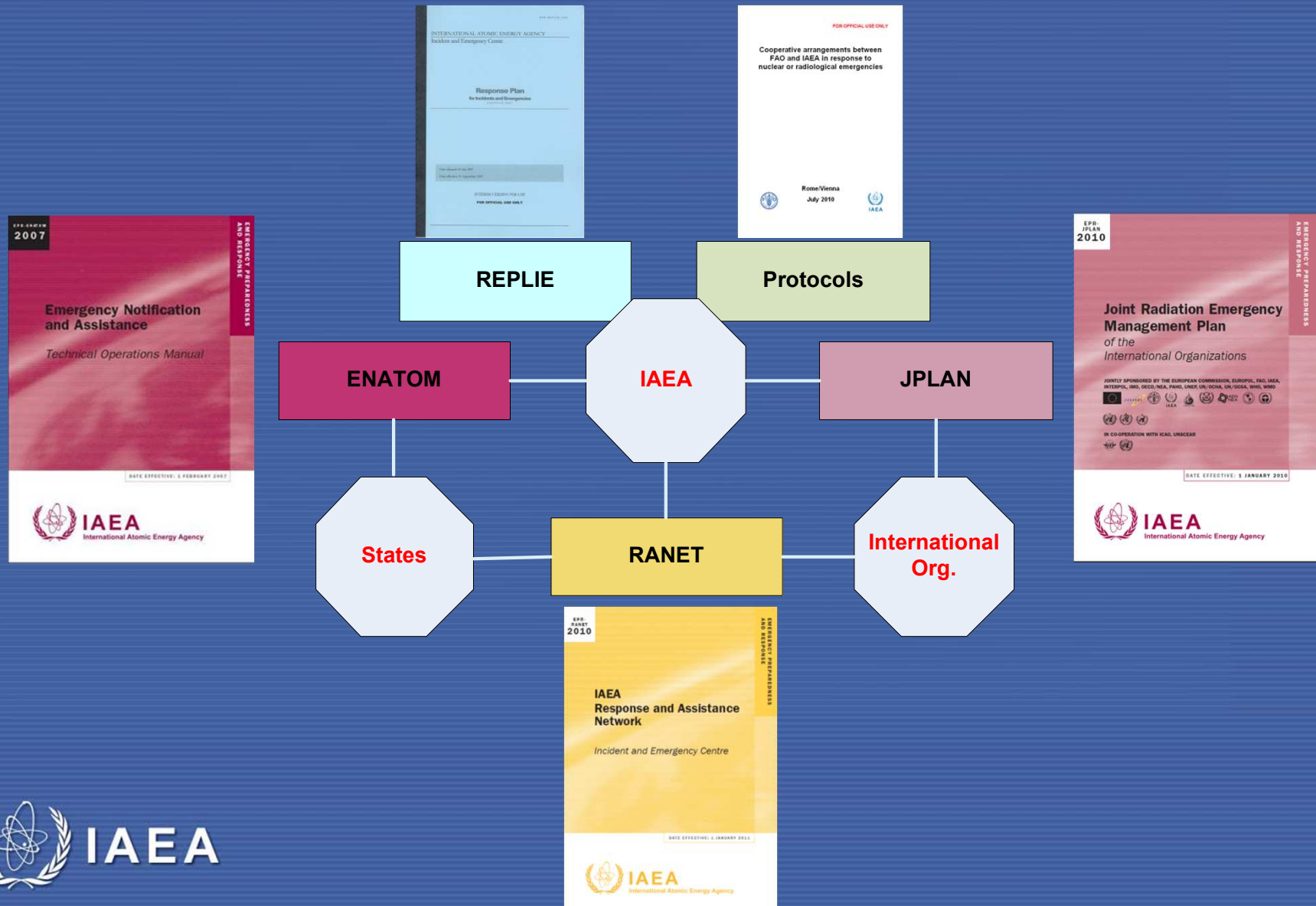
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## Safety Standards



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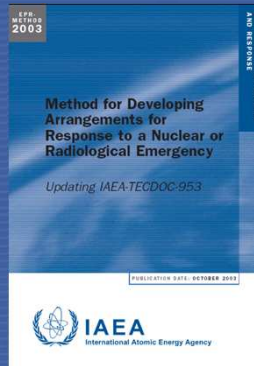
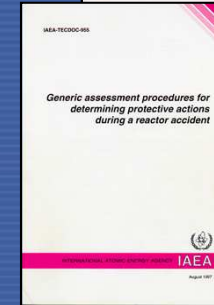
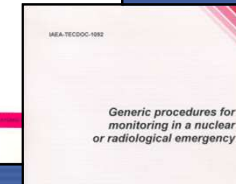
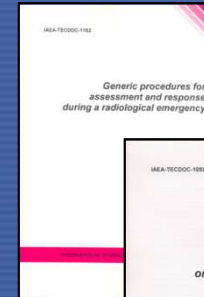
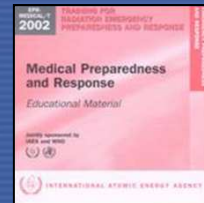
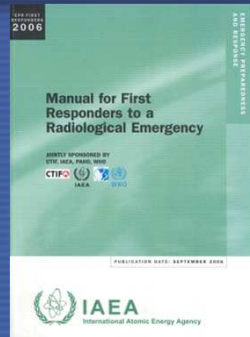
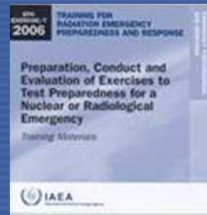
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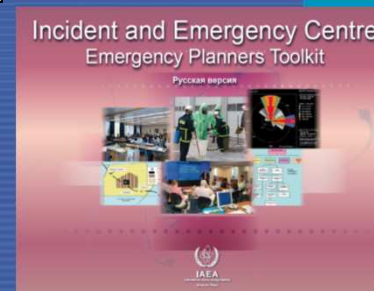
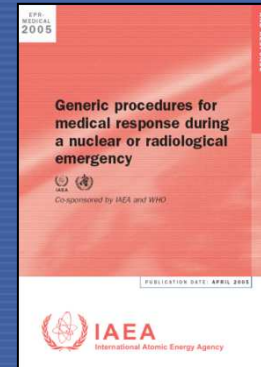
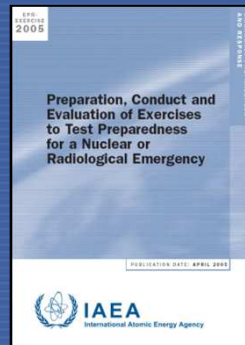


# International EPR Framework

## Tools



## EPR Series



## TECDOC Series

# IAEA Roles and Responsibilities

## Preparedness

- EPR standards, guidance, arrangements and tools
- Emergency Preparedness Review Missions
- EPR capacity building:
  - Development of human resources
  - Organizational and infrastructural development
  - Institutional and legal framework development
- IAEA's in-house and inter-agency preparedness



# IAEA Roles and Responsibilities

## Response (1)

- Notification and official information exchange
  - IEC Emergency Database of Contact Points (CPs): 416 entries
  - CPs in 173 States and IGOs
  - Of 416 CPs:
    - 408 supplied primary contact fax numbers (98%)
    - 393 supplied primary contact phone numbers (94%)
    - 331 supplied primary contact email addresses (80%)

# IAEA Roles and Responsibilities

## Response (2)

- Provision of assistance on request:
  - Facilitate and coordinate
- Provision of public information:
  - Timely, accurate and appropriate
- Coordination of inter-agency response:
  - Achieve synergy, speak with 'one voice'

# Incident and Emergency Centre (IEC)

Global focal point for international preparedness and response for nuclear and radiological safety or security related incidents, emergencies, threats or events of media interest and for coordination of international assistance


Implementing  
IAEA functions  
in EPR



# Response to Fukushima Accident


## 11 March

- 05:46 UTC
  - Earthquake of magnitude 9.0 occurred near East coast of Honshu, Japan
- 06:42 UTC
  - On-call external event specialist informed/alerted on-call ERM about earthquake
  - Possible damage at 4 NPPs and potential for tsunami anticipated
- 07:21 UTC
  - IEC made first phone contact with METI-NISA



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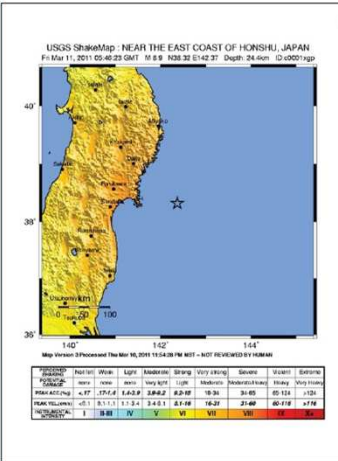
## ShakeCast Report



USGS  
science for a changing world

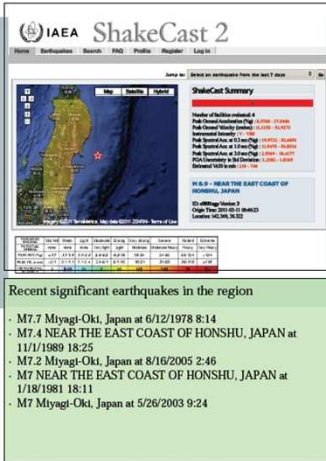
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 Depth: 24.4 km <http://earthquake.usgs.gov/shakemap>

These results are from an automated system and users should consider the preliminary nature of this information when making decisions relating to public safety. ShakeCast results are often updated as additional or more accurate earthquake information is reported or derived.



USGS ShakeMap - NEAR THE EAST COAST OF HONSHU, JAPAN  
Fri Mar 11, 2011 05:46:23 GMT 19 8.9 38.32 E 142.37 Depth: 24.4 km ID: 000178p

Intensity	Peak Ground Acceleration	Peak Ground Velocity	Peak Ground Displacement
IX	0.15-0.20	0.010-0.015	0.001-0.002
VIII	0.08-0.10	0.005-0.008	0.0005-0.001
VII	0.04-0.05	0.002-0.004	0.0002-0.0005
VI	0.02-0.03	0.001-0.002	0.0001-0.0002
V	0.01-0.02	0.0005-0.001	0.00005-0.0001
IV	0.005-0.01	0.0002-0.0005	0.00002-0.00005
III	0.002-0.005	0.00005-0.0002	0.000005-0.00002
II	0.001-0.002	0.00002-0.00005	0.000002-0.000005
I	0.0005-0.001	0.000005-0.00002	0.0000005-0.000002



ShakeCast 2  
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ShakeCast Summary

Magnitude: 8.9  
Location: 38.32 N, 142.37 E  
Depth: 24.4 km

Recent significant earthquakes in the region

- M7.7 Miyagi-Oki, Japan at 6/12/1978 8:14
- M7.4 NEAR THE EAST COAST OF HONSHU, JAPAN at 11/1/1989 18:25
- M7.2 Miyagi-Oki, Japan at 8/16/2005 2:46
- M7 NEAR THE EAST COAST OF HONSHU, JAPAN at 1/18/1981 18:11
- M7 Miyagi-Oki, Japan at 5/26/2003 9:24

FACILITY TYPE	FACILITY ID	FACILITY NAME	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	DAMAGE LEVEL	MMI	PGA	PGV	PSA03	PSA10	PSA30
NPP	JPN1	Fukushima Daiichi	37.4215	141.024	RED	7.68	25.2366	34.4786	55.6793	36.4216	7.2264
NPP	JPN2	Fukushima Daini	37.3163	141.025	RED	7.64	24.5392	33.6499	54.2095	35.546	7.0678
NPP	JPN10	Onagawa	38.3998	141.501	RED	8.01	30.5394	42.8272	66.7119	45.2404	8.7561
NPP	JPN15	Tokai	36.4554	140.607	RED	6.96	17.0817	23.9847	38.8296	25.336	5.2047

# 11 March

- 07:48 UTC
  - Offer of Agency's assistance sent to METI-NISA Japan (cc PM of Japan to IAEA)
- 08:06 UTC
  - First EMERCON message for MSs and IGOs published on ENAC web site
- 08:20 UTC
  - IEC declares Full response mode operations

**ENAC** Emergency Notification and Assistance Convention  
USIE will replace ENAC in 14 days. For more info, please go here. Current User: ENAC/EC Status: ENAC/EC Status: 2011-03-10 13:30 IAEA International Atomic Energy Agency

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### Standard Report Form

This form is used for reporting on a nuclear or radiological emergency, except general emergency at a nuclear installation.

**AEA MESSAGE HEADER**

AEA message number: <b>WEA/2011/011</b>	Name of (a) manager: <b>Rodolfo Cruz Suarez</b>
Fa distribution list: <b>None</b>	Changes by AEA? <b>No</b>
Cover note: <b>None</b>	Changes by IAEA: <b>None</b>

**HEADER**

To: <b>AEA(IEC)</b>	Message Number: <b>1</b>
Code word: <b>EMERCON ADVISORY</b>	Verified by IAEA: <b>Yes/No</b>
Publication control: <b>Is/Not</b>	First message: <b>No</b>

**1. REPORTING STATE**  
Reporting state: **Japan**

**2. OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION / INFORMATION**  
This is an official notification under the Early Notification Convention of actual or potential international transboundary release of radiological significance for another state.  
**No**

**3. COMPETENT AUTHORITY**  
Competent authority: **Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry**

**4. NATURE OF EVENT**  
Event type: **Other (described below)** Incident type: **NPP**  
Nature of event: **Earthquake** Emergency class: **Emergency class**

**EVENT CHARACTERISTICS**

Number of releases: <b>0</b>	Has not occurred and unlikely to occur: <b>No</b>
Number of releases: <b>0</b>	Number of releases: <b>0</b>

**5. FACILITY / EVENT LOCATION**  
Facility/event location: **Onagawa**

Other used than IAEA or other IAEA: **Onagawa**

Coordinates  
Latitude (deg): **38.43 ° N** Longitude (deg): **141.50 ° E**

**6. DATE AND TIME OF OCCURRENCE**  
YYYY-MM-DD: **2011-03-11** HH:MM (24 Hour clock): **06:48 UTC**

**7. VALIDITY OF INFORMATION**  
Information valid at: **2011-03-11** HH:MM (24 Hour clock): **06:48 UTC**

**8. EVENT DESCRIPTION**  
Brief summary (300 characters): **See attached file**

**9. ACTIONS BEING TAKEN / PLANNED**  
Actions taken (300 characters): **There is no report of abnormal monitoring readings around NPPs that indicate irregular values at this time. There are no reports of fire or failure. Staff of NISA are gathering information**

**10. MEDIA INFORMATION**  
Provisional IAEA report: **None**

**11. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**  
Other relevant information (300 characters): **None**



# 11 March

- 08:30 UTC
  - First IAEA's press statement published on IAEA web site
- 09:29 UTC
  - First request for information from MS
- 09:33 UTC
  - First info to MS provided by phone

## Earthquake Hits Japan (11 March 08:30 UTC)

11 March 2011

 Announcements,  Featured

The IAEA's [Incident and Emergency Centre](#) received information from the [International Seismic Safety Centre \(ISSC\)](#) at around 07:15 UTC this morning about the earthquake of magnitude 8.9 near the east coast of Honshu, Japan.

The Agency is liaising with the Japanese Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) to confirm further details of the situation. Japanese authorities reported that the four nuclear power plants closest to the quake have been safely shut down.

The Agency has sent an offer of Good Offices to Japan, should the country request support.

Current media reports say a tsunami alert has been issued for 50 countries, reaching as far as Central America. The Agency is seeking further information on which countries and nuclear facilities may be affected.

Please refer to this webpage for future updates from the Incident and Emergency Centre regarding this event.



# 11 March

- 09:39 UTC
  - First IEC request to WMO's Regional Specialized Meteorological Centres standard meteorological products
- 10:39 UTC
  - First fax to METI requesting detailed info on declaration of emergency
- 12:50 – 16:47 UTC
  - First replies to inquiries from MSs sent by e-mails
- 17:03 UTC
  - Fifth EMERCON message published; confirmation of reading requested
  - Emails were sent in parallel to all existing primary and primary back up email addresses

**Environmental Emergency Response  
Request for WMO RSMC Support by IAEA**

The IAEA sends the completed form by fax to all RSMCs and RTH Offenbach.  
At the same time the IAEA calls the 'Lead' RSMCs (selected on the form) to ensure receipt of this form.

Date/Time of Request: 2011-03-11/09:30(UTC)

STATUS:  EMERGENCY  EXERCISE

REQUESTED RSMCS : (indicate the lead RSMCs by a checkmark below)

EXETER  TOULOUSE  MELBOURNE  MONTREAL  WASHINGTON  
 BEIJING  TOKYO  OBNINSK  RTH Offenbach

SENDERS NAME :INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

COMMUNICATION DETAILS: Tel.: use to confirm receipt of request  
Fax: use to confirm receipt of request  
Email: use to confirm receipt of request

NAME OF RELEASE SITE AND COUNTRY Fukushima-Daiichi PP - Japan (facility and place)

GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION OF RELEASE: (MUST BE COMPLETED) 37.42 decimal degrees  N  S  
141.3 decimal degrees  E  W

DECLARED EMERGENCY CLASS:  
 NONE  other, specify:

ACTION REQUIRED :


NONE  
 GO ON STANDBY (request for products or for assistance on weather conditions is to be expected)  
 LEAD RSMCs ONLY: GENERATE PRODUCTS\* AND SEND TO IAEA ONLY  
 ALL RSMCs: GENERATE PRODUCTS\* AND DISTRIBUTE WITHIN THEIR REGION(S)  
 OTHER ACTION :

\* Appendix II-7, Manual on the Global Data Processing and Forecasting System, WMO No. 485

# 11 March

- 19:38 UTC
  - First IEC Status Summary Report distributed by fax to all CPs
- 20:02 UTC
  - First IEC Status Summary Report published on ENAC

First IEC  
Status Summary  
Report – 1 page



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**INCIDENT AND EMERGENCY CENTRE**

**Subject: Status of the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant**

The Incident and Emergency Centre (IEC) is continuing to monitor the status of the nuclear power plants in Japan following the earthquake earlier today. At 18:30 UTC on March 11, 2011 the IEC spoke to its counterparts in Japan the Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (NISA) and Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT).

NISA and MEXT confirmed the following information about the three reactor units at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant:

Unit 1  
The reactor is being maintained shutdown. However there is no information regarding the status of the supply of power to Unit 1. The reactor water level is reported to be oscillating. At 15:30 UTC the reactor water was approximately 130 cm above the top of the core. Containment is intact in Unit 1, however due to an increase of pressure within containment the decision has been made to perform a limited controlled venting to avoid over pressurization of the containment.

Unit 2  
The reactor is being maintained shutdown. There is currently no supply of power to Unit 2. Work is currently being undertaken to restore power. At 15:30 UTC the reactor water level is reported to be at approximately 350 cm above the top of the core. Containment is intact in Unit 2.

Unit 3  
The reactor is being maintained shutdown. Power is being supplied to Unit 3. At 13:00 UTC the reactor water level is reported to be at approximately 450 cm above the top of the core. Containment is intact in Unit 3.

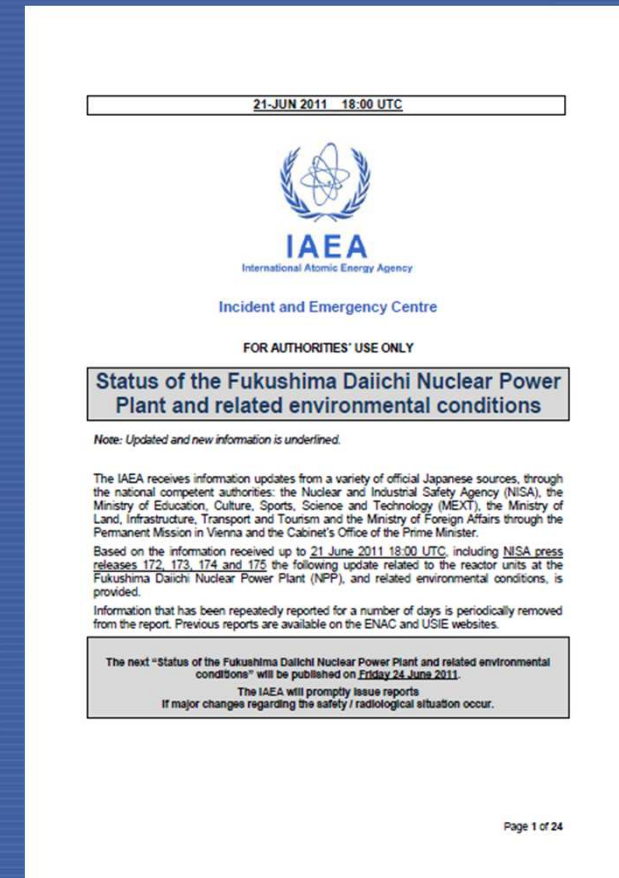
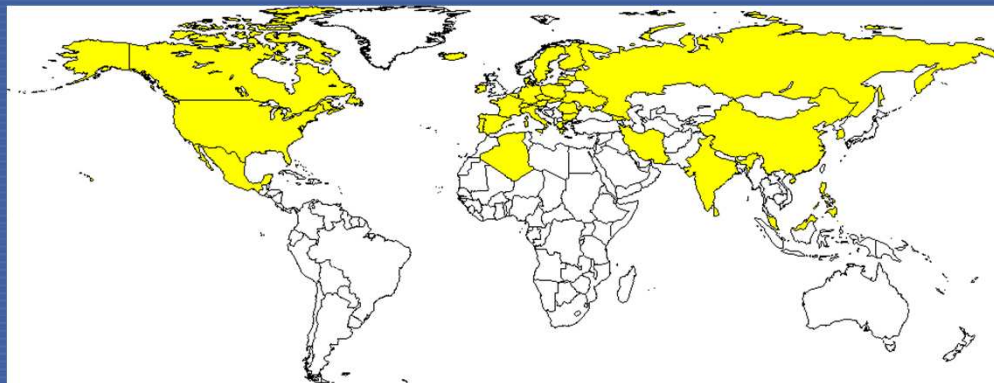
A mobile power generator has arrived at the site of the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant.

Emergency Response Manager  
11-March-2011 19:45 UTC

IAEA Incident and Emergency Centre

# March 11- June 20

- More than 110 Status Summary Reports prepared
- Monitoring data gathered from 37 Member States



# March 11 – June 20

- Oral briefings for MSs, press briefings have been provided and Update Briefs posted on IAEA's web site



- Missions to Japan





# March 11- June 20

- MSs offers for assistance gathered, provided to Japan and published on ENAC web site

OVERVIEW OF CAPABILITIES OFFERED TO JAPAN as of 2011-Mar-23

Details of the offers are kept at IAEA IEC

State	Institution	REMOTELY CONTROLLED EQUIPMENT		ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING			EFFECTS OF RADIATION ON HUMAN HEALTH		OTHER OFFERS
		Equipment	Service	Radiation survey	Environmental sampling and analysis	Assessment and advice on the radiological consequences	Medical support (medical management of casualties, decontamination, treatment, etc supplies, etc)	Dose assessment	
Argentina	Comision Nacional de Energia At6mica					Experts		Experts	Experts (interceptor dispersion, source accident management)
Canada	Permanent Mission of Canada	Considering (robots and remotely controlled ground vehicle)	Considering (operation, remote platform)	Mobile surveillance experts/equipment for car/helip/helicopter/airplan	Sampling and analysis (remote platform) experts/equipment	Experts in health physics/radiation protection	Population screening/ experts and screening equipment		Offers in specific equipment (hand-held survey system, dosimeters, mobile survey systems, gamma spectrometry, bioassay capability, experts and labors officers)
China	PM of the People's Republic of China			Radiation monitoring			Nuclear medical assistance		Other
European Commission	ECDG			YES (protection and survey)			YES		
Ireland	ESK						YES (chromosome analysis)		
	ROK			Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance		Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance
	PM/JNCA/CEA					[To IAEA, expert from AEM on technical assessment expert from CEA on rad consequences expertise (home based) from IRSN]			Satellite images
France	OG-INTA (EDS, ANEVA, CEA)	1 EOLE Submersible Device for Observation 1 EROS Submersible Device for Observation 1 EROK measuring vehicle 1 GUENARD remote vehicle 1 ORANGE Outdoor Robots 1 ERAGE Outdoor reconnaissance shielded with dump trucks excavation							
Germany	Ministry of Environment and Nuclear Safety and ERG capability in Karlsruhe	Specialized equipment for handling on highly irradiated or contaminated areas, e.g. inside the nuclear power plant		YES (unmanned aerial vehicle)	YES (robot in high dose rate area)				
	Ministry of Environment						drugs for radiation damage prevention (potassium iodide-1,000,000 doses) decontaminating agents		
	PMCS NPP				YES (vehicle, utility, air service, dose rate)	YES	YES (whole body counting)		
Hungary	NER						YES (biology, consultation) YES (biology, chromosome analysis, dose reconstruction)	YES (internal dose assessment)	
	NOGEM				YES (various measurements)			YES	
	ADO				YES (mobile equipment)		YES (whole body counting)	YES (gamma dose rate measurement)	
Kazakhstan	Permanent Representative of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the Organization for Security and Co-Operation in Europe				YES				"Humanitarian aid, nuclear tests and other necessary specialists"
	Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, Permanent Mission					YES (The offer arrives in a generic way)	YES (The offer arrives in a generic way)		"Severe accident management"
Korea	Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, Permanent Mission								
Mexico	Comision Nacional de Seguridad Nuclear y Salvaguardas			YES (radiation exposure level)	YES (qualitative radon/soil/air analysis)				
Netherlands	PMNA			YES	YES				Source Search and Inventory Assessment and advice on Emergency Response
	NSOP			Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance
Russia	Federal Environmental, Industrial and Nuclear Supervision Service of Russia								Unspecified "assistance and support"
Sweden	SSM			Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance	Any kind of assistance
USA	DOE			YES (air)	YES (air monitoring team)				Consequence management response team 33 PEOPLE IN-GTU IN JAPAN

# March 11- June 20

- Information on 'soft countermeasures' in MSs have been gathered, evaluated by OECD/NEA and made available on ENAC web site

Emergency Response Governmental Decision and Recommendations Information Exchange

## Governmental Decisions and Recommendations

	Country	Decision taken or Recommendation made	Applicable Date	Applicable Population
<b>Q1:</b> What has your government recommended with regard to your citizens living in or visiting Japan?	Australia	<p>As a precautionary measure, that Australians within an 80 km zone from the Fukushima nuclear power plant move out of the area.</p> <p>As the situation continues to develop, all Australians in Japan are strongly encouraged to follow the protective measures recommended by the Japanese and Australian Governments. This may include sheltering.</p> <p>Australians returning home from Japan are highly unlikely to be contaminated or exposed to significant radiation and will not require checks for radioactivity. However, if people wish to seek medical advice they should contact their local GP.</p> <p>ARPANSA and the Chief Medical Officer advise that iodine tablets are only required when exposed to substantial radiation doses from radioactive iodine. There is no current need for those returning from Japan or those in Japan outside the exclusion Zone to consider the use of potassium iodide tablets.</p> <p>At the present time, Australia's food standards Regulator, Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ), considers the risk of Australian consumers being exposed to radionuclides in food imported from Japan to be negligible.</p> <p>Australia does not import fresh produce from Japan. In fact Australia imports very little food from Japan. Imports are limited to a small range of specialty products, for example seaweed-based products, sauces etc.</p> <p>A joint communique for the World Health Organization, the International Atomic Energy Agency, the World Meteorological Organization, the International Maritime Organization and the International Civil Aviation Organization advises that there is no current restriction on international flight and maritime operations can continue normally into and out of Japan's major airports and sea ports</p> <p>Full text at <a href="http://www.arpansa.gov.au">www.arpansa.gov.au</a></p>	Last Updated 0900 AEDST (UTC+11) March 19	Various categories - Australians in Japan; Australian Passengers returning from Japan; Medical Practitioners; Food Imports; Advise to Airlines and Shipping
	Austria	<p>Partial travel warning for the north east of Japan. It is also recommended that Austrians should leave this area and in addition the Tokio Province</p> <p>The Austrians in Japan are recommended to strictly follow the instructions of authorities in Japan.</p>	Since 15.03.2011	Travelers; Austrians in Japan
	Belgium	<p>Travel advice for Japan runs as follows: All trips to Japan are advised against till further notice. Belgian citizens whose stay in Japan is not essential are being advised to leave the country.</p> <p>organized consular assistance of Belgian citizens from Japan on a voluntary basis</p>		



# March 11- June 20

## ENAC web site

- Actively used:
  - Close to 10.000 visits with more that 1.8 million hits
- More than 110 EMERCON messages (mostly from Japan) received and published
- More than 1300 documents published:
  - More than 1000 from Japan
  - 31 from MSs
  - 74 from WMO
  - 110 Status Summary Reports

# Inter-agency Coordination

## IACRNE and JPLAN



- March 11 - IGOs notified and JPLAN activated
- March 15 - first IACRNE coordination video meeting conducted:
  - Briefings, exchange of information, coordination of response activities, joint press releases, assignment of commonly agreed activities
  - 13 coordination video meetings since March 11
- Liaison officers working in IEC:
  - Staff members of FAO and WHO, experts from WMO

# March 11- June 20

- Around 200 IAEA's staff worked in IEC in shifts



# Current situation

- IEC operating in Basic response mode:
  - Day shift, on-call over night
  - Ready to move rapidly back to Full response mode
- Liaising with counterparts in Japan
- Continuing to prepare/publish Status Summary Reports
- Continuing to coordinate inter-agency activities under JPLAN





# Lessons from Response

## International EPR framework

- IAEA's Incident and Emergency System proved to work well overall
- IAEA can respond 24/7 for sustained period
  - 54 days around the clock – first time in Agency's history
- IAEA's existing/formal role in sharing of information largely limited to distributing information validated by State concerned
- IAEA's existing/formal role in response appears not to be in line with perceived/expected role

# Lessons from Response

## International EPR framework

- Additional gains could be obtained by effective implementation of relevant international instruments such as Convention on Early Notification of a Nuclear Accident and Convention on Assistance in Case of a Nuclear Accident or Radiological Emergency



# Way Forward

## International EPR framework

- Role of IAEA in EPR requires **broadening of responsibilities**:
  - To conduct analysis of emergency conditions, progression (possible scenarios of crisis development), consequences and associated radiological impact, and response actions during course of an emergency
  - To expand information sharing with MSs including results of those analysis

# Way Forward

## International EPR framework

- **Responsibility** of MSs for providing prompt, factual, transparent and continuous information during course of emergency needs to be **emphasized**
- **Broader scope of information should be provided** - State concerned and other States will need to share available data, analysis and other information with IAEA

# Way Forward

## International EPR framework

- IAEA EPR standards and guidelines need to be carefully reviewed and enhanced as appropriate, (once Fukushima accident is fully understood):
  - Severe accident progress, consequences and appropriate emergency response should be reviewed with MSs in near future
  - Additional guidance on taking protective and other actions based on environmental data analysis and assessment following release to ensure public safety should be developed

# Way Forward

## International EPR framework

- Active utilization of **IAEA Unified System for Incidents and Emergencies (USIE)** to ensure emergency notification, reporting, information sharing and effective activation of international assistance
  - Conduct training, drills and exercises and evaluate response times against established performance criteria

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## International EPR framework

- Standardized and reliable methodologies need to be in place in MSs to analyse and evaluate radiological monitoring data, and to assess radiological impacts to population
- Real-time on-line radiation monitoring systems are operational in some States
- Integrated, **word-wide, real-time radiation monitoring platform** based on existing national and international systems to be established

# Way Forward

## International EPR framework

- International assistance mechanisms must be **strengthened** and assistance compatibility and effectiveness assured through enhancement of **IAEA RANET**
- Extend registered capabilities
  - Establish international register of special technical capabilities (e.g. robotics, etc.) and expertise (e.g. experts in different NPP design, etc.)
  - Establish national accident response teams
- Ensure extensive regional RANET coverage (regional emergency response arrangements)
- Appraise RANET registered capabilities (regular reviews)
- Conduct emergency exercises regionally and internationally



# Way Forward

## International EPR framework

- Strengthening international EPR framework should take into account recommendations in final report of **International Action Plan for Strengthening the International Preparedness and Response System for Nuclear and Radiological Emergencies**

# Lessons from Response

## National EPR

- Universal implementation/application of IAEA safety standards is crucial
- Application of EPR safety standards at national level improves emergency preparedness and response, and facilitates communication
- States are using different (not harmonised) criteria for implementing protective actions

# Way Forward

## National EPR

- NPP States should agree to **systematic and regular Emergency Preparedness Review (EPREV)** and follow up missions
  - **Conduct comprehensive national self-assessments** and provide to IAEA regularly
  - Focus in particular on **enhancement of national capabilities and arrangements**
  - Development of **country-specific activity plans** to enhance national EPR based on safety standards

# Way Forward

## National EPR

- Strengthen cooperation among national authorities, technical support organizations and all other national EPR players
  - Train and drill all emergency responders at facility, local and national levels
  - Conduct national exercises with various scenarios
  - Participate in international Conventions Exercises (ConvEx)

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## National EPR

- Establishment of EPR Capacity Building Centres
- Establishment of stockpiles of emergency equipment (e.g. mobile diesel generators)
- Building rosters of experts
- Development of supporting guidelines and technical manuals



# Lessons from Response

## Inter-agency EPR

- Inter-Agency Committee on Radiological and Nuclear Emergencies (IACRNE), and its related JPLAN, demonstrated and proved effective and comprehensive inter-agency mechanism
- All relevant IGOs are not members of IACRNE
- Consistent “one voice message” between IGOs is achievable and proved to have positive impact on public understanding
- Established ad-hoc topical groups demonstrated efficient way for solving common issues

# Way Forward

## Inter-agency EPR

- Ensure participation of **all relevant IGOs** within **IACRNE** and co-sponsorship of **JPLAN**
- Build improved preparedness and coordination of all relevant IGOs based upon **central IAEA's role**
- Regularly test preparedness for efficient / coordinated response by using **ConvEx regime**
- Establish **standing working groups** to address **common issues** (e.g. transport)
- Develop additional **operational procedures** to support **JPLAN** implementation

# Conclusion

Experience gained in response to Fukushima accident will provide valuable input for enhancing and harmonizing EPR framework at all levels: facility, local, national, regional and international

Thank you

