

1. Preface

The natural background radiation had been out of the framework of radiological protection because of its natural occurrence. Some of technologically enhanced naturally occurring radioactive material (TENORM), such as radon and monazite sand, gradually became a target for radiological protection.

In this report, management of TENORM is discussed based on the task group work in Radioactive Waste Management (RWM) project under FNCA (Forum for Nuclear Cooperation in Asia) framework.

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This kind of information exchange and discussion based on peer review through on-site fact finding observation between the neighboring countries will support enhancing activities of making up a harmonized international agreement through IAEA etc.