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**Status of Nuclear HR Program in Bangladesh**

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# Overview of BAEC

- ❑ BAEC is a Government entity, which is responsible for promoting peaceful uses of atomic energy in the country.
- ❑ Total manpower of BAEC stands at more than **2000**, which includes about **500** professionals having wide experience in various fields of nuclear science and technology.
- ❑ About **100** of these personnel have exposures on various aspects of NE program.

# Overview of BAEC

## Major facilities of BAEC includes:

### ➤ 3 MW TRIGA MARK II Research Reactor and its utilization

#### laboratories:

- *Radio isotopes and ISO Certified Radio Pharmaceuticals production facilities*
- *High performance neutron powder diffractometer and Triple Axis Spectrometer for NS experiments*
- *Neutron Activation analysis Laboratory*
- *Neutron Radiography facilities*

### ➤ 3 MV Tandem Accelerator,

### ➤ 350 kCi and 50 kCi Co-60 Sources,

### ➤ Reactor Calculations, Heat transfer & Stress analysis Laboratories

# Overview of BAEC

## Major facilities of BAEC includes: (continued)

- VLSI & other Electronics R&D Laboratories,
- Health Physics and Waste Management facilities
- SSDL Laboratory
- NDT Laboratory
- ISO Certified Analytical Chemistry Laboratory
- 14 Nuclear Medicine Centers & 1 NM Institute,
- Training Institute at AERE, Savar, Dhaka

# Overview of BAEC

## 3 MW TRIGA Mk-II Research Reactor locally called BTRR

*Critically date is in 14 September 1986*



Shield Structure of the  
**TRIGA** Reactor



Analog control console

Replaced



2012



Digital control console



**Reactor Operators (SROs/ROs) are  
trained and licensed locally.**

# Overview of BAEC



**Health Physics & Waste Management Facility**



**Storage of Radioactive Waste**



**Radioactive Waste Treatment Plant**

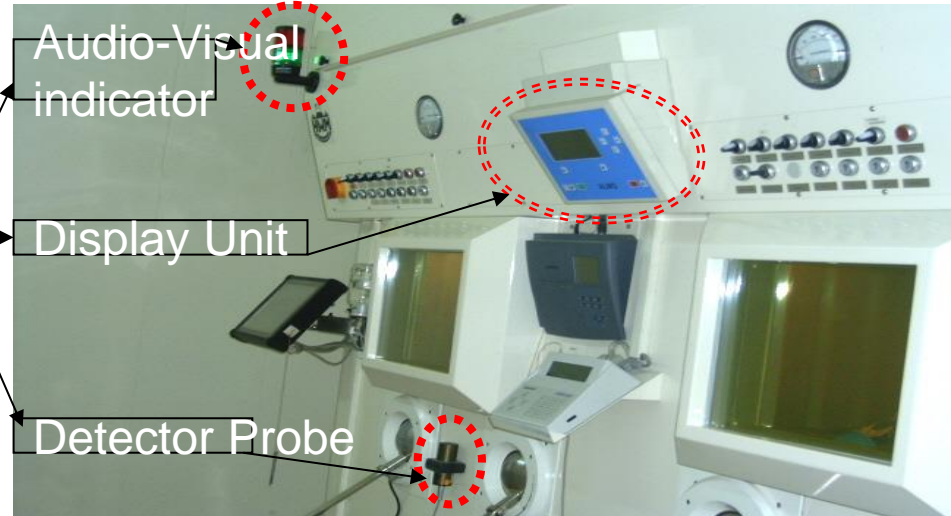
# Overview of BAEC

## RI & RP Facilities



**Tc-99m Generators**

## Audio visual area Monitoring system



**Good Radiation Practice (GRP) at new  
Tc-99m generator production facility**



**I-131 Production Plant**

## ISO Certified Tc-99m Cold Kit Production





# Overview of BAEC

## NAA Facilities



## Automatic sample changer under the IAEA CRP



# Overview of BAEC

Neutron powder diffractometer



TAS



Neutron Radiography



# Overview of BAEC



## 3 MV Tandem Accelerator Facility

# Overview of BAEC



## Co-60 Irradiators

**Sprout inhibition of potatoes and onion**



# Regulatory Infrastructure

- At the beginning of **2012** former **NSRCD** got separated from **BAEC** and emerged as an independent organization named **BAERA (Bangladesh Atomic Energy Regulatory Authority)**



**BAERA Building**

# Regulatory Infrastructure

- In **May 2012** the government enacted an Act entitled “**Bangladesh Atomic Energy Regulatory Authority Act**” (in short, **BAERA Act-2012**) for establishing an effective independent Regulatory Body in the country.
- Provisions of the **BAERA Act-2012** cover **nuclear safety, security and safeguard** of nuclear as well as radioactive materials and also ensure **civil liability for nuclear damage** in the event of an accident.

# Nuclear HR Development

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## Training Institute at AERE, Savar, Dhaka



**All the training programs of BAEC are conducted at this institute except some commercial training courses on NDT**



# **Nuclear HR Development**

## **□ BNOC (Basic Nuclear Orientation Course)**

**BNOC is a mandatory fundamental Training Course for newly recruited scientists (3 months) – resource persons are the BAEC Senior Scientists**

# Nuclear HR Development

- ❑ ITC and FTC Training Courses:  
(in collaboration with Japan)



## ITC Courses

The BAEC personnel are trained-up in Japan under the following ITC (*Instructor Training Course*) courses:

- (1) Nuclear and Radiological Emergency Preparedness
- (2) Environmental Radioactivity Monitoring
- (3) Reactor Engineering

# Nuclear HR Development

## FTC Training Courses

After returning home the trained up instructors organize domestic FTC (*Follow up Training Course*) courses in the same areas in collaboration with Japanese Resources



The resource person of these locally organized FTC courses are BAEC trained up instructors in Japan and Japanese experts.

Last 3 years 150 scientists are trained up under ITC & FTC courses.

# Nuclear HR Development

- ❑ In addition to ITC and FTC courses a remarkable number of NPP related BAEC professionals are being trained in home and abroad through various training programs like –
  - ✓ IAEA fellowships,
  - ✓ IAEA / RCA / ANSN training courses,
  - ✓ MEXT, Japan fellowships,
  - ✓ FNCA / KOICA training programs,
  - ✓ FCNE of NPCIL, India, etc.



# **Nuclear HR Development**

❑ Bangladesh has become a full member of ANSN in 2012. Since then about 50 Scientists & Engineers from BAEC, BAERA and RNPP participate Training Courses/Workshops every year in the following categories (Tropical Groups):

- 1. Education and Training (ETTg)**
- 2. Emergency Preparedness and Response (EPRTG)**
- 3. Governmental and Regulatory Infrastructure (GRITG)**
- 4. Operational Safety of Nuclear Power Plants (OSTG)**
- 5. Radioactive Waste Management (RWMTG)**
- 6. Safety Analysis (SATG)**
- 7. Safety Management of Research Reactors (SMRRTG)**
- 8. Sitting (STG)**
- 9. Information Technology Support Group (ITSG)**
- 10. Communication CTG)**
- 11. Leadership and Management for Safety (LMSTG)**

# **Nuclear HR Development**

## **M.Sc., M.Phil. and Ph.D. thesis Support**

Every year about 30 students from different public universities are being associated at different Nuclear Technology related laboratories of BAEC for preparing their M.Sc., M.Phil. and Ph.D. thesis.

## **Industrial Training Courses**

Every year about 50 students from the Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, BUET and Dept. of Electrical Engineering, IUT are trained up on TRIGA Reactor O&M and utilization.

# Nuclear HR Development

## Opening of NE Dept. in Public Universities

- ❑ In December **2012** the newly opened **NE department of Dhaka University (DU)** started its first M.Sc. Engr. course with **26** students. In **2014**, they started Nu. Engr. at **undergrad level**.
- ❑ **BUET** (Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology) started offering **NE courses to the Mechanical Engineering** students from **2014**;

The supports  
for practical and  
thesis work for  
NE students are  
Mostly provided  
by the Research Reactor based laboratories at AERE, Savar.



# Nuclear HR Development

- ❑ A decision has already been taken to set up an advanced level **Nuclear Education and Training Center** at AERE, Savar, Dhaka with an aim to develop both professionals and technical personnel to enhance the NP program of the country.
- ❑ A **Nuclear Information Center** has been set up in Dhaka with the assistance of the Russian Federation with the aim to educate public in NPP related technology.



# Cooperation with Russian Federation



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As a Part of Public Awareness, Nuclear Industry Information Center was Established at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Novo Theatre, Dhaka opened on 01 October 2013.



# Cooperation with Russian Federation

- ✓ Under the provisions of the **IGA** (Inter-Government Agreement), **SC ROSATOM** of **Russian Federation** arranged an International Seminar on Nuclear Power in Dhaka, Bangladesh in **May 2013** involving all relevant stakeholders.
- ✓ **Russian experts delivered several lectures** on various aspects of Nuclear Energy in different organizations of Bangladesh during **2012 - 2014**.
- ✓ **SC ROSATOM** also arranged **hands-on-trainings** for the members of the **Bangladesh NEPIO** at the under construction NPP site of **Belarus**.



# Cooperation with Russian Federation

- ✓ We expect the continuation of close cooperation of the NPP technology supplier for developing Human Resources for the NPP Project Management organization, Operating organization, TSOs and Regulatory body.

# **Workforce for the “Rooppur NPP”**

# Rooppur NPP Project Management Office

- ❑ In **April 2013**, GOB approved a project entitled **“Construction of Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant (First Phase)”**;
- ❑ Project Management Office for Rooppur NPP was established in Dhaka immediately after the approval of the project;

# Rooppur NPP Project Management Office

- ❑ At present the Project Office having a total of **55 people (with 30 professionals)**. However, measures have already been taken to increase the number to **130 by this year**;
- ❑ It has been decided that during execution of the project, the Project Management entity will gradually be transformed into the “**Rooppur NPP Operating Organization**”;

# **Workforce for the “Rooppur NPP” Operational Stage**

- ❑ **BAEC has developed a tentative Organization Structure (OS) for the “Rooppur NPP” consisting of 1660 personnel;**
- ❑ **The OS will be finalized in consultation with JSC Atomstroyexport of RF in due course of time;**
- ❑ **Preliminary Decision has been taken for phase-wise recruitment for Rooppur NPP personnel on the basis of required work function and training requirement;**

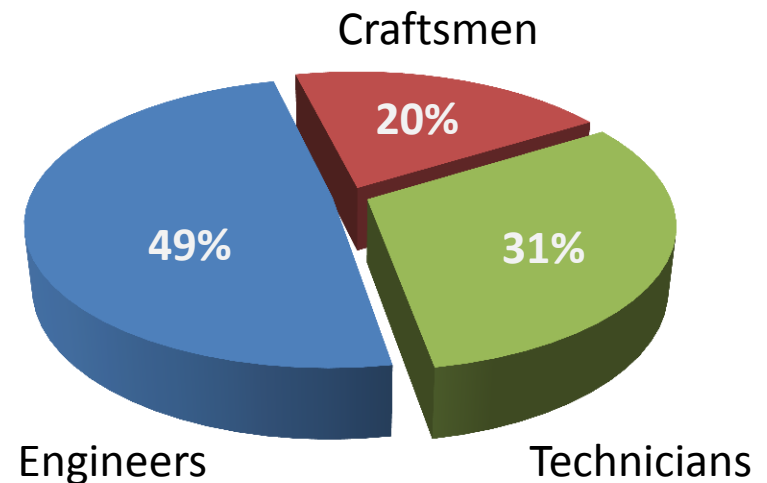


# Workforce for the “Rooppur NPP”

In the OS, category-wise distribution of **1048 Technical Workforce** has been proposed as follows:

☐ Qualified Professionals	: 513 (49%)
☐ Technicians/ Technologist	: 325 (31%)
☐ Craftsman	: 210 (20%)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>: 1048 (100%)</b>

Structure of NPP Personnel  
(the Case of Russian Federation)

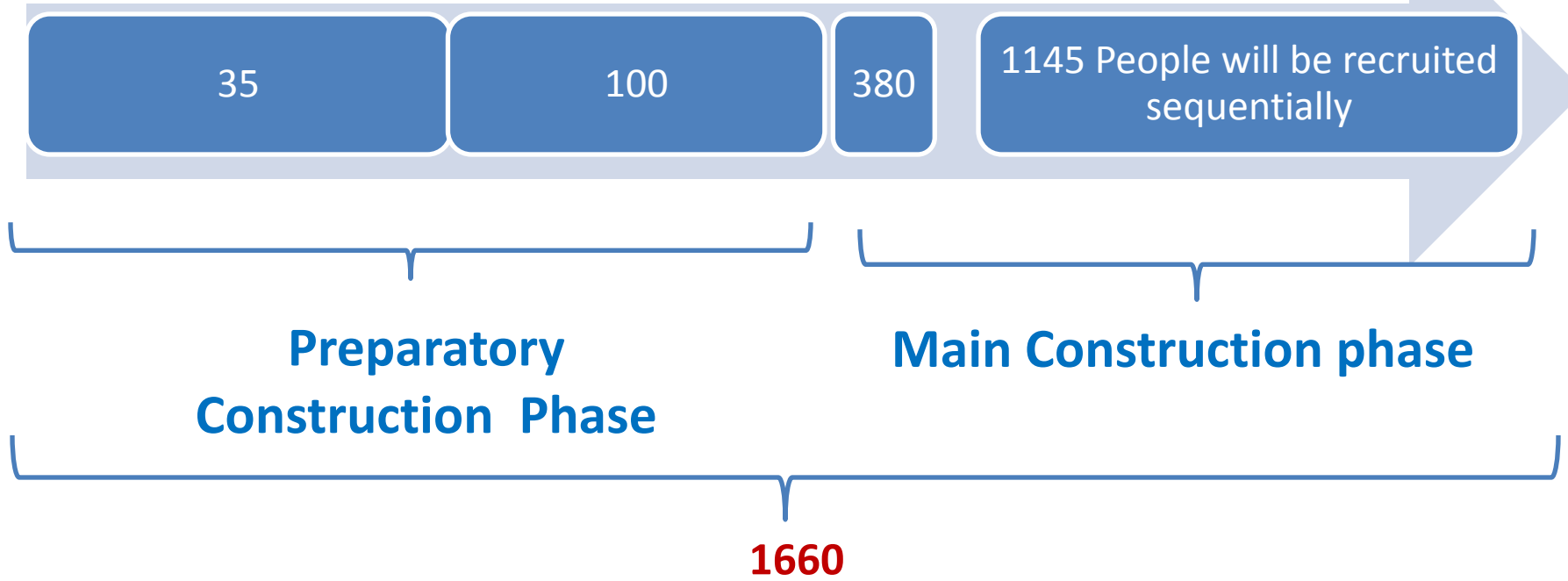


# Proposed Workforce Distribution of Rooppur NPP

2009                      2012                      2013                      2014                      2015                      2016                      2017                      2018                      2019                      2021

Zero point for starting recruitment of NPP O&M Personnel

Erection	Testing
90% (O&M, QA)	100% (O&M)



# Possible Resources for “Rooppur NPP”

Institutions	Public/Private	Approx. No. of Outputs with Relevant Degree	Rooppur NPP Needs
Engineering Universities (B.Sc. Engineering)	Public – 5	~2,300	340
	Private – 3		
Universities (General + Sci. & Tech.), (M.Sc.)	Public - 29	~4,000	173
	Private - 49		
Polytechnic /Diploma (4 years after SSC)	Public - 50	~9,000	325
	Private - 180		
Secondary Vocational	Public - 155	~90,000	210
	Private - 1800		
Higher Secondary Vocational	Public - 64	~9,000	

# Strategy for HRD

## □ Strategy for development of HRs for the NPP Operation

- ✓ For the HRD in connection with the NPP operation, we must need strong support from the vendor and would expect them to guide us in this matter.
- ✓ However, we have some basic requirements based on our **job culture and practices** and would expect the technology supplier to take those into consideration. These are -
  - **At the entry levels of NPP Operations Managements we would prefer to start with Science Graduates/M.Sc. Degree holders from our local Universities and not with Undergraduate holders;**
  - **We would expect that English will be considered as the medium of instruction for the training of the above professionals in Russia;**

# Conclusion

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- ❑ Development of competent manpower is one of the most essential elements for implementation of a successful nuclear power program in any country.
- ❑ Our Russian colleagues have vast experience in this field.
- ❑ The assistances of Russia in developing and enhancing competencies of our professionals in various aspects of civil nuclear energy program of Bangladesh will be highly appreciated.
- ❑ In particular we expect the cooperation from Russian Federation as an experienced vendor to develop skill manpower for major maintenance during the reactor shut down.

**Thank you for your  
kind attention**