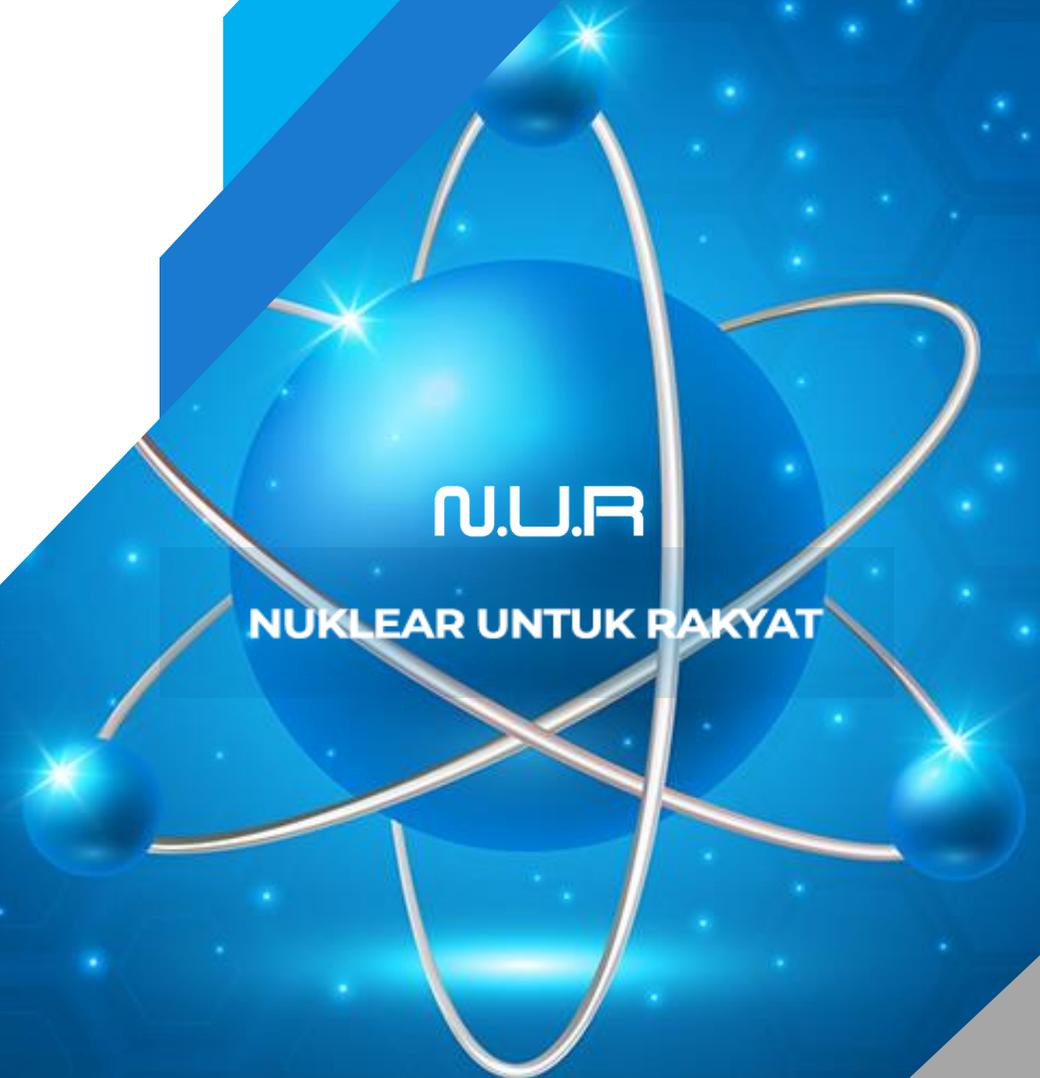




REPORT ON THE RCA TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAM - INDUSTRY

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Overview of RAS1028

Improving the Quality Management Practices in Radiation Processing Facilities for Better Performance and Applications

BACKGROUND

TITLE

Improving the Quality Management Practices in Radiation Processing Facilities for Better Performance and Applications

OBJECTIVE

To improve the level of competitiveness and customer satisfaction of radiation processing facilities of RCA GPs

APPROVED FUNDING

USD641,150



BACKGROUND

MEMBER STATES

17 member states participate in the RAS1028 project with three types of member states according to their implementation level of quality management practices for radiation processing facilities



3 resource/advanced countries:
Australia, China, Korea



5 beginner countries:
Cambodia, Lao P.D.R,
Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal



9 intermediate countries:
Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Pakistan,
Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam

BACKGROUND

OUTPUTS



Guidelines on conforming to the international standards relevant to the radiation processing facilities established



Personnel trained in establishing integrated/QM practices in radiation processing facilities



Laboratories are capable of carrying out calibrations and measurements required to conform to quality standards



Documentation required to obtain certification of the QMSs from certification bodies of the participating GPs established



ACTIVITIES

OUTPUTS

Guidelines on conforming to the international standards relevant to the radiation processing facilities established

Personnel trained in establishing integrated/QM practices in radiation processing facilities

Laboratories are capable of carrying out calibrations and measurements required to conform to quality standards

Documentation required to obtain certification of the QMSs from certification bodies of the participating GPs established

Guidelines procurement on quality management procedures

Guidelines familiarization

Mock audit activity

5 Regional Training Course (RTC)

1 Regional Workshop (RW)

1 Conference participation

1 Scientific Visit Group

Expert mission: Upgrade/establish the laboratories to meet the requirements of the quality manual with expert assistance

Inter-comparison exercises to validate dose measurements in SSDs and quality control/assurance

Documentation preparation which required by national certification bodies to obtain certification with expert assistance

ACTIVITIES



OUTPUT 1

Guidelines on conforming to the international standards relevant to the radiation processing facilities established

Procurement of

14 ISO standards

by the IAEA and distributed to all member countries for training use. During regional training courses and workshops, participants are exposed to the standard for understanding.



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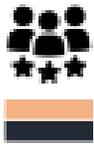
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ACTIVITIES



OUTPUT 2

Personnel trained in establishing integrated/QM practices in radiation processing facilities

INPUT

5 RTC
1 RW
1 Conference
8 Experts
17 Potential publications

ACTIVITIES

RTC 1: Guidelines and Standards of Quality Management for Radiation Processing Facilities

RTC2: Significance and Importance of Dosimetry System and Associated Uncertainty for Radiation Processing Facilities

RTC3: Quality Assurance and Quality Control for Gamma Dosimetry Applications

RTC4: Quality Assurance and Quality Control for Electron Beam Dosimetry Applications

RTC5: QC Procedures Implementation of ISO 13485 with provision of ISO 11137 for Medical Device Industries

RTC6: ICARST 2025 participation

RW1: Dosimetry Intercomparison, QA/QC and Quality Management Practices

OUTPUT

300

Personnel trained by Q4/2025 from regional and national training courses

ACTIVITIES



OUTPUT 3

Laboratories are capable of carrying out calibrations and measurements required to conform to quality standards

Procurement of:



19 sets of alanine dosimeters and holders

for dosimetry intercomparison exercise for 19 radiation processing facilities (RFP) involved. This exercise is crucial for RFP to ensure the quality of their services.



3 sets of dosimeters

(gamma calibration set, EB calibration set and EB calorimeter). It helps member states to develop laboratories with the capacity to carry out calibrations and measurements.



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Dosimetry intercomparison exercise to validate dose measurements at radiation processing facilities. The identified SSDL will validate the measurements and compare the results among the participants.

ACTIVITIES



OUTPUT 4

Documentation required to obtain certification of the QMSs from certification bodies of the participating GPs established

One

Group Scientific Visit on the development of EB irradiator and its quality management system for targeted member states - Laos, Cambodia, Myanmar, Mongolia, Nepal.



One

QMS document per targeted member states that conform to the certification bodies.

IMPLEMENTATION

2022

1st Meeting – 28-31 March,
online via MS Teams

RTC1 – Guidelines and
Standards of Quality
Management for Radiation
Processing Facilities, 28 Nov-2
Dec, Putrajaya, Malaysia

2023

RW - Dosimetry
Intercomparison, QA/QC and
Quality Management Practices,
19-23 June, Jeongoup, Korea

RTC2 – Significance and
Importance of Dosimetry
System and Associated
Uncertainty for Radiation
Processing Facilities, 13-17 Nov,
Bangkok, Thailand

2024

Mid-term Meeting – 4-8 March,
Suzhou, China

RTC3 – Quality Assurance and
Quality Control for Gamma
Dosimetry Applications, 24-28
June, Philippines

RTC4 - Quality Assurance and
Quality Control for EB
Dosimetry Applications, 7-11
Oct, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

2025

RTC5 – QC Procedures
Implementation of ISO 13485
with provision of ISO 11137 for
Medical Device Industries, Q1,
Sri Lanka

ICARST 2025, 7-11 Apr, Vienna

SV – Group Scientific Visit on EB
irradiator development, Q3,
TBD

Final Meeting – Q4, Malaysia



CONCLUSION



As planned, the project went smoothly with strong support from the IAEA and all member countries. It is a good start to strengthen the current and future requirements of radiation processing facilities in complying with legislative and customer requirements.



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Enhancing Regional Capabilities in Advanced Non-Destructive Testing Techniques for Improved Safety and Inspection Performance in Industries (RCA)



A photograph of a classroom or lecture hall. In the foreground, a man in a dark suit and glasses is looking at a document. Behind him, several students are seated at desks with computers. A projector screen on the right shows the word "TEST". The ceiling has a grid of lights and a projector. The overall scene is dimly lit with a blue tint.

Background

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RCA NDT project RAS 1029

Currently a total of **21 Member State** participates in the RCA project on NDT.

Australia, Japan, New Zealand and South Korea volunteered to work as **resource countries**.



Australia
Bangladesh
Cambodia
China
Fiji
India
Indonesia
Japan

Laos
Malaysia
Mongolia
Myanmar
Nepal
New Zealand
Pakistan
Philippines

Singapore
South Korea
Sri Lanka
Thailand
Vietnam

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2023 – 2026



Title

Enhancing Regional Capabilities in Advanced Non-Destructive Testing Techniques for Improved Safety and Inspection Performance in Industries (RCA)

Objective

To establish regional advancement in NDT to fulfil the requirements set by global standards for self-reliance and sustainable NDT systems of GPs

Approved funding

EUR 660,625

**ADVANCED
NDT**

**NDT FOR CIVIL
STRUCTURES**

**NDT FOR
COMPOSITE**

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Outputs



Output 1

Personnel trained and competent in advanced NDT inspection



Output 2

Personnel trained and competent in NDT for civil structures



Output 3

Capabilities in advanced radiation-based NDT for composite inspection established

A group of people, likely students or staff, are gathered around a computer workstation in a server room. They are looking at a monitor, and one person is using a mouse. The room is filled with server racks and cables. A blue semi-transparent banner is overlaid on the image, containing the text 'Activities' and 'RAS1029'.

Activities

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OUTPUT 1

Personnel trained and competent in advanced NDT inspection

ACTIVITY

- Establishing capabilities in Radiographic Testing-Digital (RT-D) technique
- Developing capabilities in Phased Array Ultrasonic Testing (PAUT) technique

OUTPUT 2

Personnel trained and competent in NDT for civil structures

ACTIVITY

Establishing capabilities in NDT inspection for civil structures

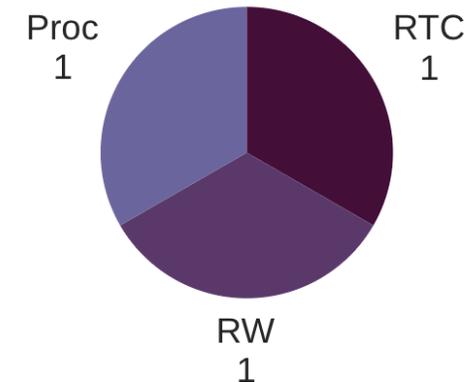
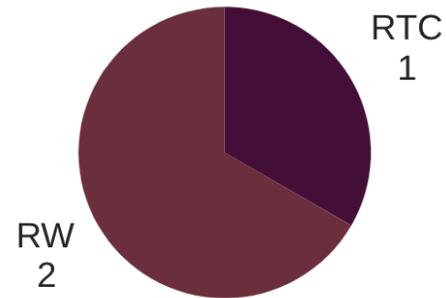
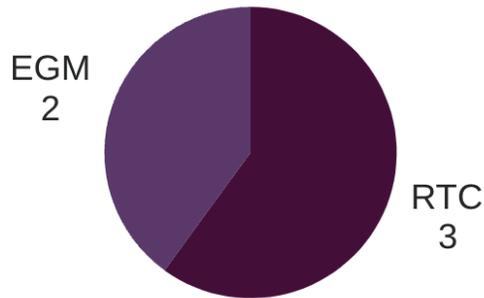
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Capabilities in advanced radiation-based NDT for composite inspection established

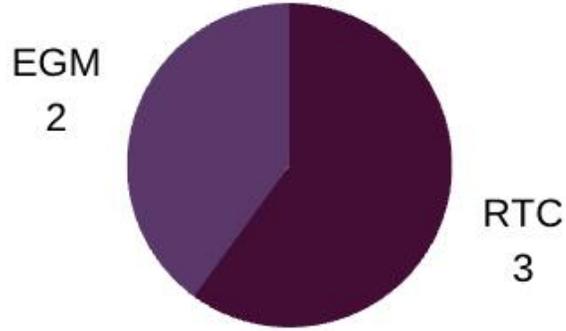
ACTIVITY

Instituting NDT application for composite inspection

Inputs



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OUTPUT 1

Personnel trained and competent in advanced NDT inspection

ACTIVITY

- Establishing capabilities in RT-D technique
- Developing capabilities in PAUT technique



RTC 1

Train the trainers on RT-D Level 2 with certification



RTC 2

RTC on PAUT with ISO 9712 Level 2 certification



RTC 3

RTC on RT-D Level 3 for personnel involve in the NDT qualification and certification scheme



EGM 1

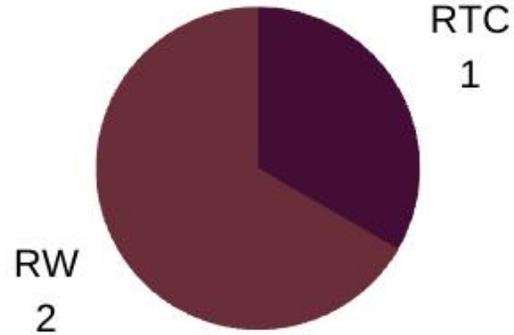
EGM to develop a draft document and question banks on PAUT



EGM 2

EGM to develop question banks on RT-D

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OUTPUT 2

Personnel trained and competent in NDT for civil structures

ACTIVITY

Establishing capabilities in NDT inspection for civil structures



RTC

RTC on NDT for civil structures for certification as per ISO 9712

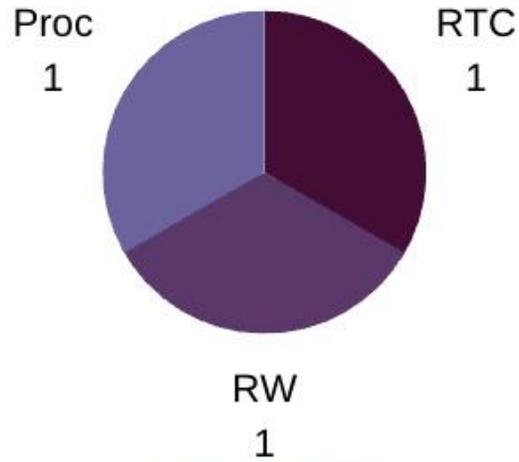
RW 1

RW on NDT techniques for quality control in civil engineering

RW 2

RW on ISO 9712 qualification and certification requirements in NDT for civil structures

RASI029 | OVERVIEW



OUTPUT 3

Capabilities in advanced radiation-based NDT for composite inspection established

ACTIVITY

Instituting NDT application for composite inspection



RTC

RTC on 3D volumetric visualization of composite using advanced-radiation based NDT techniques.

RW

RW on the practical operation and application of CT for NDT inspection of composite

PROC

Procurement of some NDT essential items of equipment for participating countries

A person wearing a lab coat and glasses is looking at a computer monitor. The monitor displays a 3D brain model and a list of numbers: 2118 17DM 2BK17G2A05 5A0250. The background shows a wall with electrical outlets and a sign that reads "COMPUTER RADIOGRAPHY".

Implementation

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2023



MALAYSIA

Train the trainers on RT-D Level 2 with certification (15 May – 1 June)



INDONESIA

Meeting on Harmonization of National Programs for Development and Application of NDT Techniques in line with the Objectives of RAS1029 (21 – 25 Aug)



SOUTH KOREA

RTC on PAUT with ISO 9712 Level 2 certification (16 Oct – 8 Nov)



IAEA

Procurement of some NDT essential items of equipment for participating countries.

2024



NEW ZEALAND

EGM to develop a draft document and question banks on PAUT (15 – 19 Apr)

BANGLADESH

EGM to develop question banks on RT-D (1 – 5 July)

SINGAPORE

RW on NDT techniques for quality control in civil engineering (16 – 20 Sept)

THAILAND

Mid-Term Review Meeting for NPCs to review the project progress and discussion on gaps and strategy for successful implementation (7 – 11 Oct)

2025



INDONESIA

RW on ISO 9712 qualification and certification requirements in NDT for civil structures (Q1)

MALAYSIA

RTC on RT-D Level 3 for personnel involve in the NDT qualification and certification scheme (Q2)

SOUTH KOREA

RW on the practical operation and application of CT for NDT inspection of composite (Q4)

2026



SINGAPORE

RTC on NDT for civil structures for certification as per ISO 9712 (Q2)

SOUTH KOREA

RTC on 3D volumetric visualization of composite using advanced-radiation based NDT techniques (Q3)

VIET NAM

Final review meeting to assess the achievements and planning of future project. (Q4)

A group of men in a server room. One man in a red polo shirt is holding a notebook and a pen, looking at it. Another man in a blue shirt is looking at a laptop. A third man in a checkered shirt is partially visible on the right. The background shows server racks and power outlets.

Highlights 2023

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IAEA

International Atomic Energy Agency

Atoms for Peace

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TRAIN THE TRAINERS COURSE
ON RT-D LEVEL 2

 Malaysian Nuclear Agency





HIGHLIGHTS

- 01.** 17 eligible participants from 10 GPs took part in the RTC.
- 02.** The training course provided RT-D Level 2 training and examinations in accordance with ISO 9712
- 03.** 14 candidates passed the theoretical and practical examinations and qualified to apply for the internationally recognized ISO 9712 RT-D certification, pending fulfilment of industrial experience and visual requirements.



IAEA

International Atomic Energy Agency

Atoms for Peace

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RTC ON PAUT WITH ISO 9712 LEVEL 2
CERTIFICATION

 Wonkwang University





HIGHLIGHTS

01. Attended by 21 participants from 14 GPs

02. This course was designed to train participants and qualify them for PAUT Level 2 certification in accordance with ISO 9712





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MEETING ON HARMONIZATION OF NATIONAL
PROGRAMMES FOR DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION OF
ADVANCED NDT TECHNIQUES

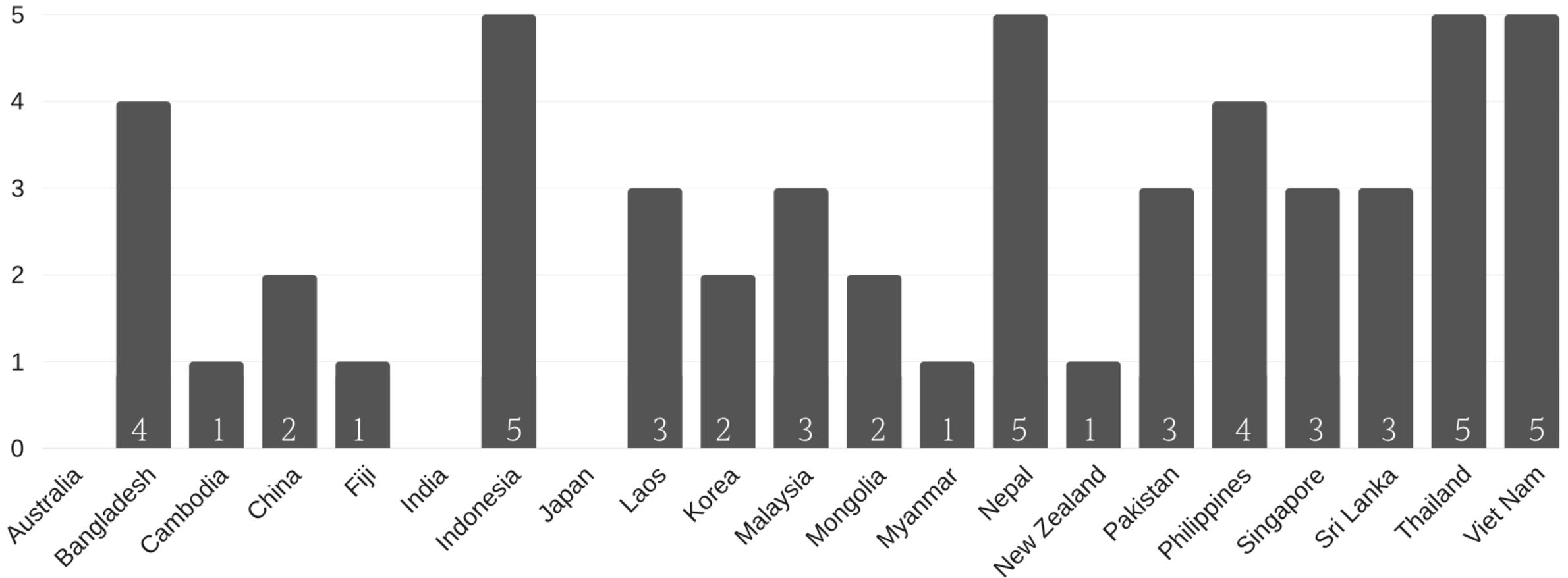




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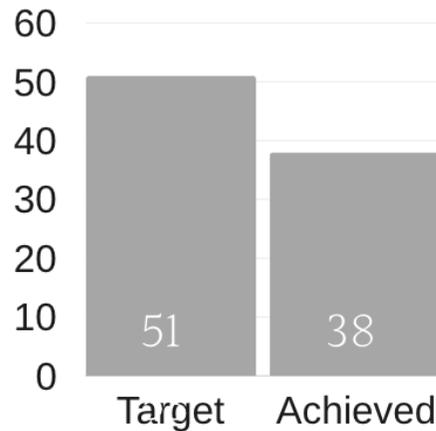
01. The meeting dedicated to deliberate upon the programs and activities that participating GPs will implement at the national level for the advancement and utilization of advanced NDT techniques
02. Through the discussion sessions, harmonized work plans were devised for the 21 participating GPs, ensuring their alignment with the overarching RAS1029 work plan.

Participation analysis – RAS1029



Performance Indicators - RAS1029

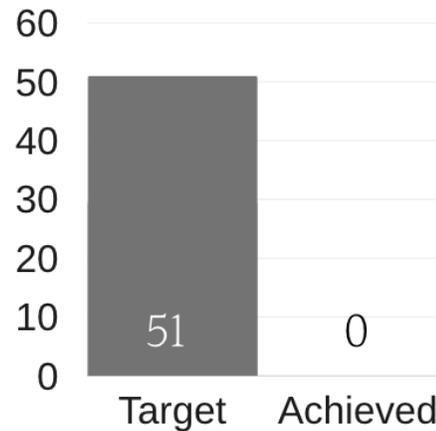
3 RTC



ADVANCED NDT

51 trained personnel in advanced NDT techniques

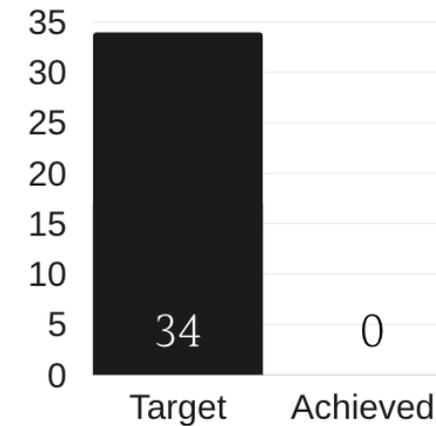
1 RTC, 2 RW



CIVIL STRUCTURES

51 trained personnel in NDT for civil structures

1 RTC, 1 RW



COMPOSITE

34 trained personnel in advanced radiation-based NDT for composite inspection

A group of people, including men and a woman, are gathered around a computer workstation in what appears to be a classroom or lab. They are looking at a large monitor displaying a software interface. One man in the foreground is wearing a grey baseball cap and a blue shirt. Another man to the right is wearing glasses and a patterned shirt. A woman in a blue and white patterned hijab is also visible. The scene is lit with indoor lighting, and there are other computer monitors and keyboards visible in the background.

Conclusion

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The project is progressing well with great support and cooperation received from the IAEA and National Project Coordinators (NPCs) in the planning and implementation of activities.





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Enhancing Regional Capabilities in Advanced Non-Destructive Testing Techniques for Improved Safety and Inspection Performance in Industries (RCA)





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Thank you

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