



A SUCCESSFUL VIRTUAL TECHNICAL EXCHANGE BETWEEN INDIA, THE UNITED KINGDOM, AND THE UNITED STATES ON SECURITY BY DESIGN FOR DEVICES AND FACILITIES THAT USE RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS

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Overview

- India, United Kingdom, and United States conducted a virtual technical exchange focused on Security by Design for devices and facilities that use radioactive materials.
- **Objective:** What does “Security by Design” mean for devices and facilities that use radioactive materials?



Technical Exchange

- Conducted in September 2021
- Virtual event (4 days)
- Comprised of presentations, discussions, and practical exercises

United States

- Department of Energy's (DOE) National Nuclear Security Administration's (NNSA) Office of Radiological Security (ORS)
- Sandia National Laboratories

India

- Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) Global Centre for Nuclear Energy Partnership (GCNEP)
- Board of Radiation & Isotope Technologies (BRIT)
- Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BRAC)

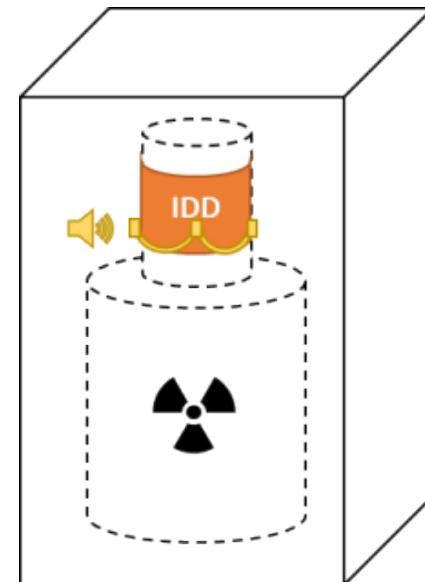
United Kingdom

- Home Office
- Environment Agency
- Department Business, Energy, and Industrial Strategy



Content

- Room and Facility-Level Enhancements are very important (as are Security Culture, Response, and Security Management) however focus was on device-level enhancements:
 - Access Delay
 - Intrusion Detection
- Additional Topics:
 - Regulatory Frameworks
 - Alternative Technologies



Featured Presentations

United States

- Economic Impact Studies
- Perspectives from a Contamination Event
- ORS's In-Device Delay (IDD)
 - Partnerships with global manufacturers
 - Implementation of Security by Design
- Alternative Technology Implementation in U.S.

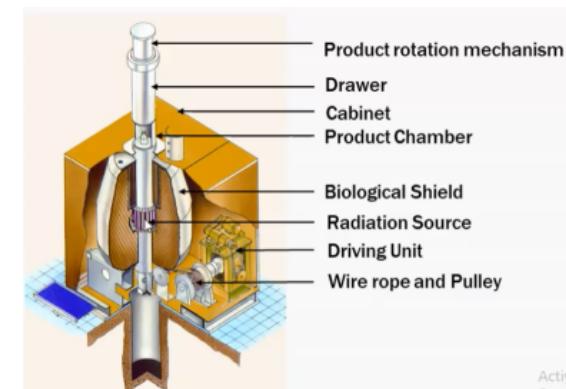


India

- BRIT Enhancements to Laboratory
- Regulatory Framework in India
- Alternative Technology - A Way Forward

United Kingdom

- Regulatory Framework
- Addressing Knowledge Gaps in Alternatives to 137Cs



Courtesy: Bhabha Atomic Research Centre

Practical Exercises

Objectives:

1. Share perspectives on vulnerability analysis
2. Share perspectives and best practices on Security by Design

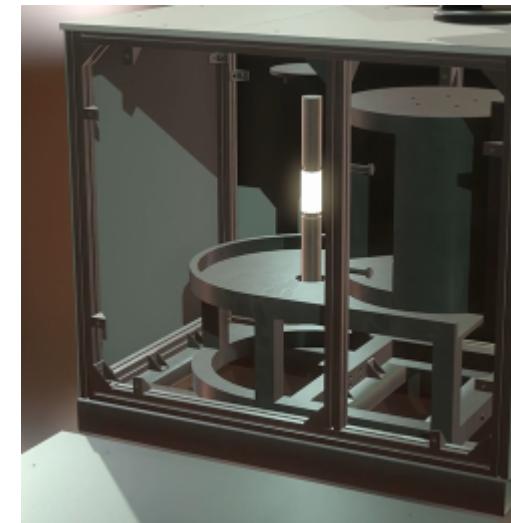
How was this accomplished:

- Designed hypothetical irradiator with various attack pathways in CAD.
- Developed two practical exercises where participants broke up into smaller virtual rooms to accomplish each exercise



Practical Exercise 1: Identify attack pathways on a hypothetical irradiator

Practical Exercise 2: Develop physical protection measures on a hypothetical irradiator



Results

- Shared Best Practices
 - In-Device Delay vulnerability assessments, design process, and implementation
 - Gamma Chamber enhancements and testing
 - Alternative Technologies – challenges and how to overcome them
- Spawning ideas and proposals for follow-on efforts
 - Mobile Irradiator Security
 - Verification of irradiator security enhancements
 - Alternative Technologies dialog





Questions?

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