National Practises of Regulatory Review & Assessment for Research Reactors in Indonesia

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Regulatory Objects





Research Reactors in Indonesia

- MPR-30 (RSG-GAS) Reactor, Serpong (suburb of Jakarta)
 - 30 MWt maximum power; Uranium Silicide 19.75%
 - Pool type with H₂O; Beryllium reflector.
 - Construction: 1983. First criticality: 1987.
 - Production: Mo-99 & Ir-192
- TRIGA-2000 Reactor, Bandung, West Java
 - 2000 kWt maximum power; U-ZrH 19.75 %
 - Pool type with H₂O; Graphite reflector.
 - Construction: 1960. First criticality (250kW): 1964.
- Kartini Reactor, Yogyakarta, Center of Java
 - 100 kWt maximum power; U-ZrH 19.75 %
 - Pool type with H_2O ; Graphite reflector.
 - Construction: 1975. First criticality: 1979.









Regulatory Infrastructures



* Technical Supports:

- Center of Regulatory Assessment (P2STPIBN) → provides assessments recommendations regarding regulation making, licensing and inspection processes
- Emergency Preparedness & Engineering Center



Hierarchy of Law & Regulation System



National Regulations for RR

- BR No. 8 Year 2008: Safety Provision of Ageing Management for RRs
- BR No. 1 Year 2011: Safety Design Provision for RRs
- BR No. 2 Year 2011: Safety Operation Provision for RRs
- BR No. 5 Year 2011: Maintenance Provision for RRs
- BR No. 5 Year 2012: Safety of Utilization & Modification of RRs
- BR No. 8 Year 2012: SAR Preparation for RRs
- BR No. 9 Year 2013: Operational Limits and Conditions for RRs
- BR No. 2 Year 2014: Core Management & Handling & Storage of Nuclear Fuel in RRs
- BR No. 2 Year 2015: Verification and Safety Review for RRs
- BR No. 1 Year 2010: Preparedness and Nuclear Emergency Response
- BR No. 4 Year 2010: Management System of Nuclear Facilities & Activities
- BR No. 4 Year 2013: Protection and Radiation Safety
- BR No. 4 Year 2009: Decommissioning of Nuclear Reactor
- BR No. 4 Year 2018: Safety Provision of Site Evaluation for Nuclear Installation

Licensing of Nuclear Reactor

MULTI STEPS (5 STEPS)



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Technical Requirements



- SAR
- LCO
- Management system document
- Environmental license
 implementation report
- Decommissioning Program
- Nuclear Preparedness Program
- Physical Protection Plan
- Protection & Radiation Safety Program
- Safeguards systems document
- Maintenance Program



- Utilization/Modification Program
- Management system document



Licensing Process









Assessment Process

Assessment request from relevant directorate received by P2STPIBN Head of P2STPIBN establishes specialist team and appointed chairman of the specialist team Chairman of the specialist team make a schedule and distribute the tasks of assessment in accordance with field studies Implementation of assessment carried out in accordance with the agreed schedule (field verification/visit could be done if needed) The initial meeting to discuss the preliminary results of assessment Final meeting to discuss the final results of assessment Preparation of the final report of the assement results



• Human Resources:

Licensing Division	20
Regulation Division	5
Inspection Division	5
Assessment Center	10

- Methodology: Conservative deterministic approach (DSA)
- Calculational tools: computer codes
- External technical supports: national universities (ITB, UGM, etc.), professional experts
- Regional cooperations: IAEA, Japan, Korea, Australia, etc.



Computer Codes

- Should be appropriate for their field of application
- Widely used by various regulatory body
- MCNP5,6,X
- RELAP5
- PARET
- SRAC
- MVP
- ORIGEN
- SCALE 6.1
- ANSYS FLUENT
- ANSYS MECHANICAL
- PC COSYMA
- Etc.





Acceptance Criteria

- Siting
- Design
- Operation
- SAR
- Periodic Safety Review
- Ageing Management
- Utilization & Modification
- Operational limits & conditions
- Nuclear emergency response
- Management system
- Radiation protection
- Etc.





Example of Acceptance Criteria

Nuclear safety goal is achieved through the application of defence in depth

• Defence in Depth (5 levels) \rightarrow Research reactors ≥ 2 MW

Safety system

• Reactor shall be designed automatically initiating safety system in accident condition

Code and Standard

- The applicant shall determine the current codes and standards for SSC important to safety
- Code and standard shall comply with Indonesian National Standard
- If not available, use the similar one from vendor country

Example of Acceptance Criteria

Structure, System, and Components

• Shall be classified into safety classes, seismic classes, and quality classes

Engineered safety features (ESF)

- Designed based on safety analysis
- Operate automatically
- If not in automatic mode, manual operation shall be ensured

Safety Analysis

• Deterministic method, can be combined with probabilistic method and technical judgement

Operational Limits and Conditions (OLC)

- Consist of safety limit, safety system setting, limiting condition for normal operation, surveilance requirements, administration requirements.
- AOO shall be anticipated using defence in depth level 1 or 2

Example of Acceptance Criteria for Design

General design requirements

- design of SSC reliability
- design to accomodate operation & maintenance
- design for nuclear emergency response & preparedness
- design for accomodating decommissioning
- design of radiation protection
- design of physical protection
- design for human factor
- design for minimizing the ageing factor

Spesific design requirements

- design of reactor core
- design for shutdown
- design of RPS
- design of reactor coolant system
- design of ECCS
- design of confinement system
- design of utilization, modification & experimental tools
- design of I & C system
- design of nuclear fuel handling & storage
- design of electric power supply system
- design of radioactive waste management system
- design of building & structure
- design of auxiliary system

Review & Assessment Practises (1)

- The application of operation license renewal for Kartini Reactor (2019) and RSG-GAS Reactor (2020)
- Documents evaluated:
 - ✓ SAR
 - ✓ PSR
 - ✓ Report of Ageing Management Program
- Assessment Request:
 - ✓ Remaining life Assessment of SSC important to safety
 - ✓ Calculation of OLC parameters (example: power peaking factor, maximum fuel temperature)
 - ✓ Calculation of radiological consequences at normal & accident conditions
- External support by Universities:
 - ✓ R&A of several chapters of PSR
 - ✓ Concrete of biological shielding assessment

Review & Assessment Practises (2)

- The Application of Approval for SAMOP Testing Facility as Utilization of Kartini Reactor (2017)
- SAMOP (Subcritical Assembly for Mo-99 Production): Subcritical assembly which utilizes neutrons from reactor's beamport
- Documents evaluated :
 ✓ SAMOP Utilization Program
 ✓ Management System Program
- Assessment request:
 - ✓ Calculation of neutronics aspect
 - ✓ Calculation of thermal hydraulics aspect
- Verification inspection







Ageing Management

- Lack of baseline data of design in review and assessment of ageing management Example:
- ✓ initial thickness of reactor tank
- ✓ detailed engineering design of steel reinforcement concrete of biological shielding
- Remaining life assessment
- Lack of funding ~ the sufficiency of data





Safety Analysis

• Utilization of appropriate computer codes ~ diversity in design

Graded Approach

• Need a clear guidance for implementation

Utilization & Modification

• Various kinds of utilizations & modifications to enhance research reactors utilization

Lesson Learnt of Fukushima

• Need an in-depth study for implementation to existing research reactors



Development of National Regulations

All national regulations were developed referring to IAEA safety standards

- Revision of BR No. 1 Year 2011: Safety Design Provision for research reactors to adopt IAEA SSR-3 "Safety of Research Reactor"
 - ✓ DEC concepts (Need in-depth study for implementation)
 - ✓ Safety-security interfaces (Harmonization of regulations)
 - ✓ Safety requirements of subcritical assemblies
- Development of BR on safety assessment for nuclear installations → IAEA SS No. GSR Part 4 (Rev.1) "Safety Assessment for Facilities & Activities"



- Interpretation of BDBA as DEC accidents
- Incorporating DEC at chapter "Safety Analysis" in the process of operation license renewal
- Enhancing Defence in Depth concepth to withstand DEC
- Revision of BAPETEN Regulations on the safety of research reactors: design & operation aspects
- Assessment for the development of guidance on graded approach implementations for research reactors



Feedback on the Implementation of IAEA Standards

Technical documents on the implementation of new concepts in SSR-3, such as:

- Defence in depth
- *DEC*
- Interfaces between safety & security

are helpful to overcome various interpretations



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