**Main decommissioning works and steps**

All fuel has been removed from Unit 4 SFP by December 22, 2014. Work continues toward fuel removal and debris retrieval from Unit 1-3.

- **Fuel Removal from SFP**
  - Rubble removal & dose reduction
  - Installing a Fuel removal handling Machine
  - Fuel removal
  - Storage and handling

- **Fuel Debris Retrieval**
  - Capturing the status inside the PCV, examining the fuel debris retrieval method, etc. (Note 2)
  - Fuel debris retrieval
  - Storage and handling

- **Dismantling Facilities**
  - Scenario development & technology consideration
  - Design and manufacturing of devices / equipment

- **Scenario Development & Technology Consideration**

### Three principles behind contaminated water countermeasures:

Countermeasures for contaminated water are implemented in accordance with the following three principles:

1. **Eliminate** contamination sources
   - Multi-nuclide removal equipment, etc.
   - Remove contaminated water from the trench (Note 3)
   - Land-side impermeable walls
   - Waterproof pavement

2. **Isolate** water from contamination
   - Pump up groundwater for bypassing
   - Pump up groundwater near buildings
   - Land-side impermeable walls
   - Waterproof pavement

3. **Prevent leakage** of contaminated water
   - Enhance soil by adding sodium silicate
   - Sea-side impermeable walls
   - Increase the number of (welded-joint) tanks

### Multi-nuclide removal equipment (ALPS), etc.

- This equipment removes radionuclides from the contaminated water in tanks and reduces risks.
- Treatment of contaminated water (RO concentrated salt water) was completed in May 2015 via multi-nuclide removal equipment, additional multi-nuclide removal equipment installed by TEPCO (operation commenced in September 2014) and a subsidy project of the Japanese Government (operation commenced in October 2014).
- Strontium-treated water from equipment other than ALPS is being re-treated in ALPS.

### Land-side impermeable walls

- Land-side impermeable walls surround the buildings and reduce groundwater inflow into the same.
- Freezing started on the sea side and part of the mountain side from March 2016 and on 95% of the mountain side from June 2016. Freezing of the remaining unfrozen sections advanced with a phased approach and freezing of all sections started in August 2017.
- In March 2018, the land-side impermeable walls were considered completed except for a portion of the depths based on a monitoring result showing that the underground temperature had declined below 0°C in almost all areas and on the mountain side, the difference between the inside and outside increased to approx. 4-5 m. The multi-layered contaminated water management measures, including subdrains and facing, have stably controlled the groundwater level. Consequently, a water-level management system to isolate the buildings from groundwater was established. These evaluation results will be reviewed in the Committee on Countermeasures for Contaminated Water Treatment.

### Sea-side impermeable walls

- Impermeable walls are being installed on the sea side of Units 1-4, to prevent contaminated groundwater from flowing into the sea.
- The installation of steel pipe sheet piles was completed in September 2015 and they were connected in October 2015. These works completed the closure of the sea-side impermeable walls.
The temperatures of the Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) and Primary Containment Vessel (PCV) of Units 1-3 have been maintained within the range of approx. 15-35°C over the past month. There was no significant change in the density of radioactive materials newly released from Reactor Buildings in the air. It was evaluated that the comprehensive cold shutdown condition had been maintained.

Progress status

◆ The values varied somewhat, depending on the unit and location of the thermometer.

*1 In January 2019, the radiation exposure dose due to the release of radioactive materials from the Unit 1-4 Reactor Buildings was evaluated as less than 0.00047 mSv/year at the site boundary.

The annual radiation dose from natural radiation is approx. 2.1 mSv/year (average in Japan).

Effect of multi-layered contaminated water management (evaluation of the land-side impermeable walls)

The land-side impermeable walls are considered completed except for a portion of the depths, based on the monitoring results showing that the underground temperature had declined below 0°C in almost all areas and on the mountain side, the difference between the inside and the outside increased to approx. 4-5 m.

Groundwater from the mountain side was suppressed by the land-side impermeable walls and bypassed around the buildings since the closure of the land-side impermeable walls. The “generated contaminated water attributable to rainwater and groundwater” reduced to 110 m³/day after the closure, approx. a quarter of that before the closure (490 m³/day). The generated contaminated water, including transfer to the buildings as part of decommissioning work, declined below the target during average rainfall to be achieved by 2020 (150 m³/day)*, though the region was in the dry season.

Based on these results, we consider that the land-side impermeable walls have effectively worked, the multi-layered contaminated water management measures, including subdrains and facing, have stably controlled the groundwater level and that consequently, a water-level management system to isolate the buildings from groundwater has been established. These evaluation results will be reviewed by the Committee on Countermeasures for Contaminated Water Treatment.

We are committed to continuing multi-layer contaminated water management to further reduce generated contaminated water.

* A major target process specified in the Mid- and Long-Term Roadmap

Dose investigation using a drone

On February 27, the inside of the Unit 3 Reactor Building 2nd and 3rd floors were investigated using a drone mounting a dosimeter and camera. The results acquired from the investigation, such as dose data, will be utilized in future decommissioning work, including planning investigations for existing facilities. Use of drones for onsite investigation will continue to be considered for utilization in decommissioning because it is effective in terms of reducing exposure of workers, etc.

Installation completion of the Unit 3 fuel removal cover

Installation of all dome roofs for the Unit 3 fuel removal cover was completed on February 23. Work to install power supply cables, etc. is currently underway. Following test operations of ventilation facilities, which will reduce the release of radioactive materials inside the cover to air, and the fuel-handling machine, etc., small rubble inside the pool, which may interfere with fuel removal, will be removed. In addition, training to facilitate steady fuel removal will be provided to improve operation skills. Work will continue with safety first toward fuel removal in around mid-FY2018.

Construction of the port

The port for the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station was damaged by a tsunami at the time of the accident, e.g. leaning and sinking of the caisson-type breakwater at the breakwater head. To continuously use the port by maintaining the function, installation of blocks to reinforce the caisson type breakwater and other measures will be implemented.

Preparatory work will start in March and the construction will be completed by around July 2020.

Operation start of the building stagnant water circulating purification

To accelerate efforts to reduce the radiation density in stagnant water inside the buildings, circulating purification of stagnant water inside the buildings started on the Unit 3 and 4 sides on February 22. For circulating purification, a new pipe divided from the water treatment equipment outlet line was installed to transfer water purified at the water treatment equipment to the Unit 1 Reactor Building and the Unit 2-4 Turbine Buildings.

It was estimated that the operation could reduce the density of radioactive materials in stagnant water inside the buildings by up to approx. 40% compared to the case without circulation purification. The risk of stagnant water inside the buildings will continue to decline in addition to reduction of its storage. The circulating purification on the Unit 1 and 2 side will go into operation in March.

* Bank of concrete boxes filled with sand and soil
Data of Monitoring Posts (MP1-MP8) showed data of monitoring posts 2 to 8 to measure the air-dose rate precisely. Construction works, such as tree-clearing, surface soil removal and shield wall setting, were implemented from February 10 to April 18, 2012. Therefore, monitoring results at these points are lower than elsewhere in the power plant site. The radiation shielding panels around monitoring post No. 6, which is one of the instruments used to measure the radiation dose at the power station site boundary, were taken off from July 10-11, 2013, since further deforestation, etc. had caused the surrounding radiation dose to decline significantly.
I. Confirmation of the reactor conditions

1. Temperatures inside the reactors

Through continuous reactor cooling by water injection, the temperatures of the Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) bottom and the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV) gas phase were maintained within the range of approx. 15 to 35°C for the past month, though it varied depending on the unit and location of the thermometer.

2. Release of radioactive materials from the Reactor Buildings

As of January 2018, the density of radioactive materials newly released from Reactor Building Units 1-4 in the air and measured at the site boundary was evaluated at approx. 7.6x10^-12 Bq/cm³ for Cs-134 and 2.9x10^-11 Bq/cm³ for Cs-137, while the radiation exposure dose due to the release of radioactive materials there was less than 0.00047 mSv/Year.

Annual radiation dose at site boundaries by radioactive materials (cesium) released from Reactor Building Units 1-4

3. Other indices

There was no significant change in indices, including the pressure in the PCV and the PCV radioactivity density (Xe-135) for monitoring criticality, nor was any abnormality in the cold shutdown condition or criticality sign detected.

Based on the above, it was confirmed that the comprehensive cold shutdown condition had been maintained and the reactors remained in a stabilized condition.

II. Progress status by each plan

1. Contaminated water countermeasures

To tackle the increase in stagnant water due to groundwater inflow, fundamental measures to prevent such inflow into the Reactor Buildings will be implemented, while improving the decontamination capability of water treatment and preparing facilities to control the contaminated water.

- Operation of the groundwater bypass
  - From April 9, 2014, the operation of 12 groundwater bypass pumping wells commenced sequentially to pump up groundwater. The release started from May 21, 2014 in the presence of officials from the Intergovernmental Liaison Office for the Decommissioning and Contaminated Water Issue of the Cabinet Office. Up until February 27, 2018, 355,990 m³ of groundwater had been released. The pumped-up groundwater was temporarily stored in tanks and released after TEPCO and a third-party organization had confirmed that its quality met operational targets.
  - Pumps are inspected and cleaned as required based on their operational status.

- Water Treatment Facility special for Subdrain & Groundwater drains
  - To reduce the level of groundwater flowing into the buildings, work began to pump up groundwater from wells (subdrains) around the buildings on September 3, 2015. The pumped-up groundwater was then purified at dedicated facilities and released from September 14, 2015 onwards. Up until February 27, 2018, a total of 497,966 m³ had been drained after TEPCO and a third-party organization had confirmed that its quality met operational targets.
  - Due to the level of the groundwater drain pond rising after the sea-side impermeable walls had been closed, pumping started on November 5, 2015. Up until February 27, 2018, a total of approx. 171,025 m³ had been pumped up and a volume of approx. less than 10 m³/day is being transferred from the groundwater drain to the Turbine Buildings (average for the period January 25 – February 21, 2018).
  - As an enhancement measure, the treatment facility for subdrains and groundwater drains is being upgraded. Additional water collection tanks and temporary water storage tanks were installed and the installation of fences, pipes and ancillary facilities is also underway. The treatment capacity is being enhanced incrementally to accommodate the increasing volume of pumped-up groundwater during the high rainfall season (before measures: approx. 800 m³/day, from August 22: approx. 900 m³/day, after temporary water storage tanks put into operation: approx. 1,200 m³/day and after water collection tanks put into operation: approx. 1,500m³/day).
  - To maintain the level of groundwater pumped up from subdrains, work to install additional subdrain pits and recover existing subdrain pits is underway. They will go into operation sequentially from a pit for which work is completed (the number of pits which went into operation: 11 of 15 additional pits, 0 of 4 recovered pits).
  - To eliminate the suppression of water pumping while cleaning the subdrain transfer pipe, the pipe will be duplicated. Installation of the pipe and ancillary facility is underway.
  - Since the subdrains went into operation, the inflow into buildings tended to decline to less than 150 m³/day when the subdrain water level declined below T.P. 3.0 m, while the inflow increased during rainfall.

2. Contaminated water countereasures

To measure the variation in the airborne radiation rate of MP2-MP8 more accurately, environmental improvement (tree trimming, removal of surface soil and shielding around the MPs) was completed.

* The trend graphs show part of the temperature data measured at multiple points.

3. Construction status of the land-side impermeable walls

- In the land-side impermeable walls, a maintenance operation to prevent the frozen soil from getting any thicker continues from May 22 on the north and south sides and started from November 13 on the east side, where frozen soil of sufficient thickness was identified.
The land-side impermeable walls are considered completed except for a portion of the depths, based on a monitoring result showing that the underground temperature had declined below 0°C in almost all areas and on the mountain side, the difference between the inside and the outside increased to approx. 4-5 m.

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These evaluation results will be reviewed by the Committee on Countermeasures for Contaminated Water Treatment.

- Operation of multi-nuclide removal equipment
  - Regarding the multi-nuclide removal equipment (existing and high-performance), hot tests using radioactive water were underway (for existing equipment, System A: from March 30, 2013, System B: from June 13, 2013, System C: from September 27, 2013; and for high-performance equipment, from October 18, 2014). The additional multi-nuclide removal equipment went into full-scale operation from October 16, 2017.
  - As of February 22, the volumes treated by existing, additional and high-performance multi-nuclide removal equipment were approx. 370,000, 412,000 and 103,000 m³ respectively (including approx. 9,500 m³ stored in the J1(D) tank, which contained water with a high density of radioactive materials at the System B outlet of existing multi-nuclide removal equipment).

![Figure 2: Closure of part of the land-side impermeable walls (on the mountain side)](image)

![Figure 3: Status of stagnant water storage](image)
To reduce the risks of strontium-treated water, treatment using existing, additional and high-performance multi-nuclide removal equipment has been underway (existing: from December 4, 2015; additional: from May 27, 2015; high-performance: from April 15, 2015). Up until February 22, 429,000 m³ had been treated.

Toward reducing the risk of contaminated water stored in tanks
- Treatment measures comprising the removal of strontium by cesium-absorption apparatus (KURION) (from January 6, 2015) and the secondary cesium-absorption apparatus (SARRY) (from December 26, 2014) have been underway. Up until February 22, approx. 434,000 m³ had been treated.

Measures in the Tank Area
- Rainwater, under the release standard and having accumulated within the fences in the contaminated water tank area, was sprinkled on site after eliminating radioactive materials using rainwater-treatment equipment since May 21, 2014 (as of February 26, 2018, a total of 97,508 m³).
- Increase in inflow of groundwater, rainwater, etc. into buildings
  - Regarding the inflow of groundwater, rainwater, etc. into buildings, an increase was detected from 50-90 m³/day since January to 166 m³/day during the period February 8-15. In addition, a larger increase was also identified on the Unit 1 and 2 side compared to other buildings.
  - To investigate the cause of the inflow, the increase in groundwater, rainwater, etc. into buildings, the change in works from the end of January to February was checked. Based on the result showing a relation between repair work of K drainage channel and the inflow increase, the repair work was considered to have affected the inflow increase into buildings.
  - A drainage pump was installed for the catchment basin, which was considered attributable to the inflow increase, to reduce the water level. An inspection identified that the inflow of groundwater, rainwater, etc. had decreased since the installation of the drainage pump and returned to the same level as that in January.

Status of soil collection in the H4 tank area
- On August 19, 2013, a leakage of contaminated water (estimated at 300 m³) from the H4 north area No. 5 tank was detected. Leaked water permeated the soil, etc. around the fences and under the tank foundation.
- Contaminated soil around the fences was collected, while much contaminated soil under the tank foundation will be collected as possible after investigation during the tank replacement.
- Soil collection for the shallow layer on the H4 tank area north side started from March 6, 2017, while soil collection for the deep layer has been underway since February 5, 2018.

Current status of measures to prevent groundwater and rainwater inflow
- In addition to measures to prevent groundwater inflow such as subdrains and land-side impermeable walls, measures such as prevention of roof rainwater inflow and facing are currently underway.
  - Rainwater from the roof entered through damaged parts of the Unit 1 and 3 Reactor Buildings, the Unit 1-3 waste treatment buildings and the Unit 3 Turbine Building. Measures such as roof covers and waterproof spray will be implemented to prevent rainwater inflow.
  - To reduce pumped-up groundwater from bank areas, facing for areas surrounded by land-side impermeable walls (sea side) and sea-side impermeable walls will be completed by FY2019.

Plan to collect residual water in underground reservoirs
- Monitoring of underground reservoirs to check the expansion of groundwater contamination has continued since a leakage was detected in April 2013.
  - Though the groundwater was collected to a level from which it could be pumped by an underwater pump by March 2017, residual water still remained. To reduce the risk of further contaminated water leakage, the residual water will be collected by a pump for this purpose. Preparation for the collection will start in March 2018.

Progress of treating stagnant water in buildings
- For the Unit 2-4 Turbine Buildings, the lowest floor intermediate floor surface was exposed in December as planned and the exposure has been maintained to date.
  - The dust density remains at the same level before and after the exposure, while high-level airborne radiation was identified in part of the lowest intermediate basement. To reduce radiation exposure during work, operations including installation of a pump will be controlled from a remote area on the 1st floor where they will be unaffected.

Operation start of the stagnant water purification system
- To accelerate efforts to reduce the radiation density in stagnant water inside the buildings, circulating purification of stagnant water inside the buildings started on the Unit 3 and 4 side on February 22.
  - For circulating purification, a new pipe divided from the water treatment equipment outlet line was installed to transfer water purified at the water treatment equipment to the Unit 1 Reactor Building and the Unit 2-4 Turbine Buildings.
  - It was estimated that the operation could reduce the density of radioactive materials in stagnant water inside the buildings by approx. 40% compared to the case without circulation purification.
  - The risks of stagnant water inside the buildings will continue to decline in addition to reduction of its storage.
  - The circulating purification on the Unit 1 and 2 side will go into operation in March.

Abnormality of the SARRY low-pressure transformer
- On February 7, 2018, a worker who was in the site to activate SARRY detected an abnormal sound from the SARRY low-pressure transformer. SARRY was suspended and an investigation inside the low-pressure transformer detected an electrical discharge trace at a brazing part of a transformer secondary winding lead.
  - The abnormality was considered attributable to the conductor connection separated by brazing lack and being stressed during the manufacturing process. The transformer will be replaced with another structure transformer that would avoid any repeat.

Leakage from the rainwater treatment facility transfer line
- On February 8, 2018, the transfer from the relay tank (A) to the mobile RO equipment acceptance tank (B) for rainwater treatment was suspended when an abnormal sound was detected. A field inspection confirmed leakage outside the fences from the disconnected pressure hose for transfer.
  - Though leaked water flowed into the side ditch leading to B drainage channel, no inflow to B drainage channel was detected because the side ditch was dammed with sandbags.
  - The disconnection of a pressure hose was considered attributable to pressure applied when the pump was activated and pressure pulsation. Investigation of the cause will continue and countermeasures will be considered.

2. Fuel removal from the spent fuel pools
Work to help remove spent fuel from the pool is progressing steadily while ensuring seismic capacity and safety. The removal of spent fuel from the Unit 4 pool commenced on November 18, 2013 and was completed by December 22, 2014.

Main work to help spent fuel removal at Unit 1
- The installation of windbreak fences, which will reduce dust scattering during rubble removal, started on October 31, 2017 and was completed by December 19, 2017.
- As preparatory work for fuel removal from the Unit 1 spent fuel pool, rubble removal on the operating floor north side started from January 22.
  - Rubble is being removed carefully by suction equipment. No significant variation was identified around site boundaries where the density of radioactive materials was monitored and at onsite dust monitors during the above removal work.
  - Removed rubble will be stored in solid waste storage facilities or other storage areas depending on the dose level.
  - For future rubble removal on the operating floor south side, the spent fuel pool will be protected to prevent damage.
to fuel, etc. by rubble, etc. having fallen into the spent fuel pool located in the same area. Removal of a portion of the outer steel frame is being planned to ensure operability for the work.

- **Main work to help spent fuel removal at Unit 2**
  - To help spent fuel removal from the pool of the Unit 2 Reactor Building, preparatory work to form an opening, which would allow access to the operating floor, was completed in the external wall on the west side of the building.
  - To remove contaminants on the Reactor Building roof, etc., rubble on the roof and outer peripheral coping, etc. was removed by December 25, 2017. Dust monitors to measure dust during work using remote-controlled heavy machines were installed by January 19, 2018. Removal of the roof protection layer (roof blocks, etc.) using remote-controlled heavy machines started from January 22, 2018.

- **Main work to help remove spent fuel at Unit 3**
  - To help fuel removal from the Unit 3 spent fuel pool, installation of all dome roofs for the Unit 3 fuel removal cover was completed on February 23.
  - Work to install power supply cables, etc. is currently underway. Following test operations of ventilation facilities, which will reduce the release of radioactive materials inside the cover to the air, and the fuel-handling machine, etc., small rubble inside the pool, which may interfere with fuel removal, will be removed. In addition, training to facilitate steady fuel removal will be provided to improve operation skills.

3. Plans to store, process and dispose of solid waste and decommission of reactor facilities

**Promoting efforts to reduce and store waste generated appropriately and R&D to facilitate adequate and safe storage, processing and disposal of radioactive waste**

- **Management status of the rubble and trimmed tree**
  - As of the end of January 2018, the total storage volume of concrete and metal rubble was approx. 226,900 m³ (+2,700 m³ compared to at the end of December, with an area-occupation rate of 70%). The total storage volume of trimmed trees was approx. 133,800 m³ (+100 m³, with an area-occupation rate of 76%). The total storage volume of used protective clothing was approx. 59,300 m³ (-400 m³, with an area-occupation rate of 83%). The increase in rubble was mainly attributable to construction to install tanks and the sole waste storage facility and acceptance of rubble from the temporary storage area J. The decrease in used protective clothing was mainly attributable to incineration operation.

- **Management status of secondary waste from water treatment**
  - As of February 1, 2018, the total storage volume of waste sludge was 597 m³ (area-occupation rate: 85%) and that of concentrated waste fluid was 9,319 m³ (area-occupation rate: 87%). The total number of stored spent vessels, High-Integrity Containers (HICs) for multi-nuclide removal equipment, etc., was 3,889 (area-occupation rate: 61%).

- **Status of the Radioactive Waste Incinerator**
  - Work on an additional Radioactive Waste Incinerator to mainly incinerate burnables such as trimmed trees and rubble has been underway toward an operation launch in FY2020.
  - Following completion of the foundation work in March, construction of the building will start.

4. Reduction in radiation dose and mitigation of contamination

**Effective dose-reduction at site boundaries and purification of port water to mitigate the impact of radiation on the external environment**

- **Status of groundwater and seawater on the east side of Turbine Building Units 1-4**
  - Regarding radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank on the north side of the Unit 1 intake, the H-3 density at No. 1-1 has been increasing from 1,000 Bq/L since December 2017 and currently stands at around 1,600 Bq/L. Since December 18, 2013, pumping of groundwater continued (at the well point between the Unit 1 and 2 intakes: August 15, 2013 – October 13, 2015; at the repaired well: October 14 - 23, 2015).
  - Regarding radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank between the Unit 2 and 3 intakes, the H-3 density at No. 2-3 had been increasing from around 1,000 Bq/L since November 2017 and currently stands at around 1,600 Bq/L. Though the H-3 density at No. 1-6 had been increasing from around 1,000 Bq/L since November 2017 and currently stands at around 1,500 Bq/L. Since December 18, 2013, pumping of groundwater continued (at the well point between the Unit 3 and 4 intakes: April 1 – September 16, 2015; at the repaired well: from September 17, 2015).
  - Regarding radioactive materials in seawater in the Unit 1-4 intake open channel area, densities have remained below the legal discharge limit except for the increase in cesium 137 and strontium 90 during heavy rain. They have been declining following the completed installation and the connection of steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls. The density of cesium 137 has been increasing since January 25, 2017, when a new silt fence was installed to accommodate the relocation.
  - Regarding the radioactive materials in seawater in the area within the port, densities have remained below the legal discharge limit except for the increase in cesium 137 and strontium 90 during heavy rain. They have been declining following the completed installation and the connection of steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls.
  - Regarding the radioactive materials in seawater in the area outside the port, densities of cesium 137 and strontium 90 have been declining and remained below the legal discharge limit without any variation following the completed installation and the connection of steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls.
It was confirmed with the prime contractors that the estimated manpower necessary for the work in March 2018 (approx. 4,560 per day) would be secured at present. The average numbers of workers per day per month (actual values) were maintained, with approx. 4,900 to 7,000 since FY2015 (see Figure 6).

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Construction status of the Fukushima Daiichi Port
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- To continue using the port by maintaining the function, installation of blocks to reinforce the caisson-type breakwater and other measures will be implemented.

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5. Outlook of the number of staff required and efforts to improve the labor environment and conditions

Securing appropriate staff long-term while thoroughly implementing workers’ exposure dose control. Improving the work environment and labor conditions continuously based on an understanding of workers’ on-site needs

Staff management
- The monthly average total of people registered for at least one day per month to work on site during the past quarter from October to December 2017 was approx. 11,200 (TEPCO and partner company workers), which exceeded the monthly average number of actual workers (approx. 8,500). Accordingly, sufficient people are registered to work on site.

- Since November, measures for influenza and norovirus have been implemented, including free influenza vaccinations (subsidized by TEPCO HD) in the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station (from October 25 to November 24, 2017) and medical clinics around the site (from November 1, 2017 to January 31, 2018) for partner company workers. As of January 31, 2018, a total of 6,864 workers had been vaccinated. In addition, a comprehensive range of other measures is also being implemented, including daily actions to prevent infection and expansion (measuring body temperature, health checks and monitoring infection status) and response after detecting possible infections (swiftly taking potential patients off site and entry controls, mandatory wearing of masks in working spaces, etc.).
Status of influenza and norovirus cases

- Until the 8th week of 2018 (February 19-25, 2018), 260 influenza infections and 9 norovirus infections were recorded. The totals for the same period for the previous season showed 369 cases of influenza and 16 norovirus infections.

5. Others

Dose investigation inside the Unit 3 Reactor Building using a drone

- On February 27, the inside of the Unit 3 Reactor Building 2nd and 3rd floors were investigated using a drone mounting a dosimeter and camera.
- The results acquired from the investigation, such as dose data, will be utilized in future decommissioning work, including planning investigations for existing facilities.

Next-term R&D plan for decommissioning

- Based on the progress of the Mid- and Long-Term Roadmap revised in last September and FY2017 R&D projects, a plan for R&D projects implemented in the next fiscal year will be formulated.
Status of seawater monitoring within the port (comparison between the highest values in 2013 and the latest values)

“The highest value” → “the latest value (sampled during February 19-27)”; unit (Bq/L); ND represents a value below the detection limit

Source: TEPCO website  
Analysis results on nuclides of radioactive materials around Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station  

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**Port entrance**

**In front of Unit 6 intake**

**In front of shallow draft quay**

Summary of TEPCO data as of February 28, 2018

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Status of seawater monitoring around outside of the port (comparison between the highest values in 2013 and the latest values)

Unit (Bq/L); ND represents a value below the detection limit; values in ( ) represent the detection limit; ND (2013) represents ND throughout 2013.


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Note: Because safety of the sampling points was unassured due to the influence of Typhoon No. 10 in 2016, samples were taken from approx. 330 m south of the Unit 1-4 release outlet. From January 27, 2017, the location of the sampling point was also shifted approx. 280 m south of the Unit 1-4 release outlet.

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Appendix 2
March 1, 2018

Rubble storage area
Rubble storage area (planned)
Trimmed trees area
Mid/low-level contaminated water tank (existing)
Mid/low-level contaminated water tank (planned)
High-level contaminated water tank (existing)
High-level contaminated water tank (planned)
Secondary waste from water treatment (existing)
Secondary waste from water treatment (planned)
Multi-nuclide removal equipment
Water treatment facility special for Subdrain & Groundwater drain
Temporary Cask Custody Area
Used protective clothing

Rubble (outdoor accumulation)
Temporary soil-covered type storage facility

Rubble storage tent
Rubble (outdoor accumulation)
Temporary trimmed trees storage pool
Temporary waste sludge storage

Inside the rubble storage tent
Rubble (container storage)

Tank installation status

TKG: Provided by DigitalGlobe, Inc., NTT DATA Corporation
Commence fuel removal from the Unit 1-3 Spent Fuel Pools

**Unit 1**

Regarding fuel removal from Unit 1 spent fuel pool, there is a plan to install a dedicated cover for fuel removal over the top of the Reactor Building (operating floor). All roof panels and wall panels of the building cover were dismantled by November 10, 2016. Removal of pillars and beams of the building was completed on May 11, 2017. Modification of the pillars and beams of the building cover and installation of building cover were completed by December 19. Rubble removal from the operating floor north side started from January 22, 2018. Rubble is being removed carefully by suction equipment. No significant variation was identified around site boundaries where the density of radioactive materials was monitored and at onsite dust monitors during the above removal work.

In the Mid- and Long-Term Roadmap, the target of Phase 1 involved commencing fuel removal from inside the spent fuel pool (SFP) of the 1st Unit within two years of completion of Step 2 (by December 2013). On November 18, 2013, fuel removal from Unit 4, or the 1st Unit, commenced and Phase 2 of the roadmap started. On November 5, 2014, within a year of commencing work to fuel removal, all 1,331 spent fuel assemblies in the pool had been transferred. The transfer of the remaining non-irradiated fuel assemblies to the Unit 6 SFP was completed on December 22, 2014. (2 of the non-irradiated fuel assemblies were removed in advance in July 2012 for fuel checks) This marks the completion of fuel removal from the Unit 4 Reactor Building. Based on this experience, fuel assemblies will be removed from Unit 1-3 pools.

**Unit 2**

To facilitate removal of fuel assemblies and retrieval of debris in the Unit 2 spent fuel pool, the scope of dismantling and modification of the existing Reactor Building rooftop was examined. From the perspective of ensuring safety during the work, controlling impacts on the outside of the power station, and removing fuel rapidly to reduce risks, we decided to dismantle the whole rooftop above the highest floor of the Reactor Building. Examination of the following two plans continues: Plan 1 to share a container for removing fuel assemblies from the pool and retrieving fuel debris; and Plan 2 to install a dedicated cover for fuel removal from the pool.

**Unit 3**

Prior to the installation of a cover for fuel removal, removal of large rubble from the spent fuel pool was completed in November 2015. To ensure safe and steady fuel removal, training of remote control was conducted at the factory using the actual fuel-handling machine which will be installed on site (February – December 2015). Measures to reduce dose on the Reactor Building top floor (decontamination, shields) were completed in December 2016. Installation of a cover for fuel removal and a fuel-handling machine is underway from January 2017. Installation of the fuel removal cover was completed on February 23, 2018. Work will continue with safety first toward fuel removal around mid-FY2018.

**Unit 4**

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**Glossary**

- (1) Operating floor: During regular inspection, the roof over the reactor is opened while on the operating floor, fuel inside the core is replaced and the core internals are inspected.
- (2) Cask: Transportation container for samples and equipment, including radioactive materials.
Investigation into TIP Room of the Unit 1 Reactor Building

- To improve the environment for future investigations inside the PCV, etc., an investigation was conducted from September 24 to October 2, 2015 at the TIP Room (T). (Due to high dose around the entrance to the TIP Room, the investigation of dose rate and contamination distribution was conducted through a hole drilled from the walkway of the Turbine Building, where the dose was low.)
- The investigative results identified high dose at X-31 to 33 penetrations (instrumentation penetration) and low dose at other parts.
- As it was confirmed that work inside the TIP room would be available, the next step will include identification of obstacles which will interfere the work inside the TIP Room and formulation of a plan for dose reduction.

### Unit 1

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- **Temperature inside the PCV:** approx. 13°C
- **Water level in the PCV:** approx. 1.9 m

#### Temperature and Dose Rate

- **Temperature of the RPV:** bottom: approx. 13°C
- **Air dose rate into the RPV:** 28.61 mSv/h
- **Nitrogen injection flow rate into the RPV:** 6.81 m³/h

#### Water Levels and Temperatures

- **Water level of the torus chamber:** approx. 13°C
- **PCV hydrogen concentration System A:** 0.00 vol%, **System B:** - vol%
- **Temperature inside the PCV:** approx. 13°C
- **Air dose rate inside the PCV:** approx. 16°C
- **Water level at the triangular corner:** TP2,474 to 2,984
- **Temperature at the triangular corner:** 32.4 to 32.6°C
- **Water level of the Turbine Building:** TP -

### Status of investigation inside the PCV

Prior to fuel debris retrieval, an investigation inside the PCV will be conducted to inspect the status there including the location of fuel debris.

**[Investigative outline]**

- **1st** (Dec 2012) - Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature and dose rate - Measuring water level and temperature
- **2nd** (Apr 2015) - Confirming the status of PCV 1st floor: Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature and dose rate - Installing permanent monitoring instrumentation
- **3rd** (Mar 2017) - Confirming the status of PCV 1st basement floor: Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature and dose rate - Replacing permanent monitoring instrumentation

#### Period Evaluation results

- **Feb - May 2015**
  - **Bench test validation:** Confirmed that there was no large fuel in the reactor core.
Progress toward decommissioning: Works to identify the plant status and toward fuel debris retrieval

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**Immediate target**
Identify the plant status and commence R&D and decontamination toward fuel debris retrieval

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**Installation of an RPV thermometer and permanent PCV supervisory instrumentation**

1. Reinstallation of the RPV thermometer and water-level gauge
2. Some of the permanent supervisory instrumentation for PCV could not be installed in the planned locations due to interference with existing grating (August 2013). The instrumentation was removed in May 2014 and new instruments were reinstalled in June 2014. The trend of added instrumentation will be monitored for approx. one month to evaluate its validity.

**Investigative results on torus chamber walls**

- The torus chamber walls were investigated (on the north side of the east-side walls) using equipment specially developed for that purpose (a swimming robot and a floor traveling robot).
- At the east-side wall pipe penetrations (five points), the "status" and "existence of flow" were checked.
- A demonstration using the above two types of underwater wall investigational equipment showed how the equipment could check the status of penetration.
- Regarding Penetrations 1-5, the results of checking the sprayed tracer (S) by camera showed no flow around the penetrations. (Investigation by the swimming robot)
- Regarding Penetration 3, a sonar check showed no flow around the penetrations. (Investigation by the floor traveling robot)

**Status of investigation inside the PCV**

Prior to fuel debris retrieval, an investigation inside the PCV will be conducted to inspect the status there including the location of fuel debris.

[Investigative outline]
- A robot, injected from Unit 2 X-6 penetration (*1), will access the inside of the pedestal using the CRD rail.

[Progress status]
- On January 26 and 30, 2017, a camera was inserted from the PCV penetration to inspect the status of the CRD replacement rail on which the robot will travel. On February 9, deposit on the access route of the self-propelled investigative device was removed and on February 16, the inside of the PCV was investigated using the device.
- The results of this series of investigations confirmed fallen and deformed gratings and a quantity of deposit inside the pedestal.
- On January 19, 2018, the inside of the Unit 2 PCV was investigated. During this investigation, the status under the platform was inspected by the improved telescopic-type investigative device which was used in the previous investigation (January – February 2017). From the investigative results, part of the fuel assemblies having fallen to the bottom of the pedestal was found. Deposits identified around the fuel assemblies were considered to be fuel debris. The images acquired in this investigation will be analyzed.

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**Leakage points from PCV**
- No leakage from torus chamber rooftop
- No leakage from all inside/outside surfaces of S/C
Progress toward decommissioning: Works to identify the plant status and toward fuel debris retrieval

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Immediate target
Identify the plant status and commence R&D and decontamination toward fuel debris retrieval

Water flow was detected from the Main Steam Isolation Valve* room

On January 18, 2014, a flow of water from around the door of the Steam Isolation Valve room in the Reactor Building Unit 3 1st floor northeast area to the nearby floor drain funnel (drain outlet) was detected. As the drain outlet connects with the underground part of the Reactor Building, there is no possibility of outflow from the building.

From April 23, 2014, image data has been acquired by camera and the radiation dose measured via pipes for measurement instrumentation, which connect the air-conditioning room on the Reactor Building 2nd floor with the Main Steam Isolation Valve Room on the 1st floor. On May 15, 2014, water flow from the expansion joint of one Main Steam Line was detected.

This is the first leak from PCV detected in the Unit 3. Based on the images collected in this investigation, the leak volume will be estimated and the need for additional investigations will be examined. The investigative results will also be utilized to examine water stoppage and PCV repair methods.

* Main Steam Isolation Valve: A valve to shut off the steam generated from the Reactor in an emergency

Investigative results into the Unit 3 PCV equipment hatch using a small investigation device

As part of the investigation into the PCV to facilitate fuel debris retrieval, the status around the Unit 3 PCV equipment hatch was investigated using a small self-traveling investigation device on November 26, 2015.

- Given blots such as rust identified below the water level inside the PCV, there may be a leakage from the seal to the extent of bleeding.
- Methods to investigate and repair the parts, including other PCV penetrations with a similar structure, will be considered.

Investigation inside the PCV

Prior to fuel debris retrieval, the inside of the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV) was investigated to identify the status there including the location of the fuel debris.

[Investigative outline]
- The status of X-53 penetration(*4), which may be under the water and which is scheduled for use to investigate the inside of the PCV, was investigated using remote-controlled ultrasonic test equipment. The results showed that the penetration was not under the water (October 22-24, 2014).
- For the purpose of confirming the status inside the PCV, an investigation device was inserted into the PCV from X-53 penetration on October 20 and 22, 2015 to obtain images, data of dose and temperature inside the PCV, and that part of the fuel debris potentially existed at the bottom of the RPV.
- Analysis of image data obtained in the investigation identified damage to multiple structures and the supposed core internals. Consideration about fuel removal based on the obtained information will continue.

Capturing the location of fuel debris inside the reactor by measurement using muons

Period
May – Sep 2017

Evaluation results
The evaluation confirmed that no large lump existed in the core area where fuel had been placed and that part of the fuel debris potentially existed at the bottom of the RPV.

References
(1) SFP (Spent Fuel Pool) (2) RPV (Reactor Pressure Vessel) (3) PCV (Primary Containment Vessel) (4) Penetration: Through-hole of the PCV
Work to improve the reliability of the circulation water injection cooling system and pipes to transfer stagnant water:
- Developed the reactor water injection system using Unit 3 Condensate Storage Tank (CST) as a water source commenced from July 5, 2013. Compared to the previous system, the reliability of the reactor water injection system was enhanced, e.g., by increasing the amount of water-source storage and enhancing durability.
- To reduce the risk of contaminated water leakage, the circulation loop was shortened by installing a reverse osmosis (RO) device in the Unit 4 Turbine Building within the circulation loop, comprising the transfer of contaminated water, water treatment and injection into the reactor. Operation of the installed RO device started from October 7 and 24-hour operation started from October 20.
- To accelerate efforts to reduce the radioactivity in stagnant water inside the buildings, circulating purification of stagnant water inside the buildings started on the Unit 3 and 4 side from February 22.
- For circulating purification, a new pipe divided from the water treatment equipment outlet line was installed to transfer purified water to the Unit 1 Reactor Building and the Unit 2, 3, 4 Turbine Buildings. The reliability of stagnant water inside the buildings will continue to be improved in addition to reduction of its storage.
- The circulating purification on the Unit 1 and 2 side will go into operation in March.

Completion of purification of contaminated water (RO concentrated salt water):
Contaminated water (RO concentrated salt water) is being treated using seven types of equipment including the multi-nuclide removal equipment (ALPS). Treatment of the RO concentrated concentrated salt water was completed on May 27, 2015, with the exception of the remaining tanks. The strontium-treated water from other facilities than the multi-nuclide removal equipment will be re-purified in the multi-nuclide removal equipment to further reduce risks.

Preventing groundwater from flowing into the Reactor Buildings:
- Groundwater inflow by pumping sub-drain water:
  - Reducing groundwater inflow by pumping sub-drain water: Pumping up groundwater from wells (sub-drainage) around the buildings started on September 3, 2016. Pumped up groundwater was purified at dedicated facilities and released after TEPCO and a third-party organization confirmed that its quality meets operational targets.

Facilities improvement:
- Installing land-side impermeable walls with frozen soil around Units 1-4 to prevent the inflow of groundwater into the building.

Freezing started on the sea side and at a part of the mountain side from March 2016 and at 95% of the mountain side from June 2016. On the sea side, the underground temperature declined 0°C or less throughout the scope requiring freezing except for the unfrozen parts under the seawater pipe trenches and the areas above groundwater level in October 2016.

Freezing started for two of seven unfrozen sections on the mountain side from December 2016, and four of the remaining five unfrozen sections from March 2017. Freezing of the remaining unfrozen section started in August 2017.
Progress toward decommissioning: Work to improve the environment within the site

**Immediate targets**

- Reduce the effect of additional release from the entire power station and radiation from radioactive waste (secondary water treatment waste, rubble, etc.) generated after the accident, to limit the effective radiation dose to below 1mSv/year at the site boundaries.
- Prevent contamination expansion in sea, decontamination within the site

Optimization of radioactive protective equipment

Based on the progress of measures to reduce environmental dosage on site, the site is categorized into two zones: highly contaminated area around Unit 1-4 buildings, etc. and other areas to optimize protective equipment according to each category aiming at improving safety and productivity by reducing load during work.

From March 2016, limited operation started. From March and September 2017, the G Zone was expanded.

Installation of dose-rate monitors

To help workers in the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station precisely understand the conditions of their workplaces, a total of 86 dose-rate monitors were installed by January 4, 2016. These monitors allow workers to confirm real time on-site dose rates at their workplaces.

Workers are also able to check concentrated data through large-scale displays installed in the Main Anti-Earthquake Building and the access control facility.

Installation of sea-side impermeable walls

To prevent the outflow of contaminated water into the sea, sea-side impermeable walls have been installed. Following the completed installation of steel pipe sheet piles on September 22, 2015, connection of these piles was conducted and connection of sea-side impermeable walls was completed on October 26, 2015. Through these works, closure of sea-side impermeable walls was finished and the contaminated water countermeasures have been greatly advanced.

Status of the large rest house

A large rest house for workers was established and its operation commenced on May 31, 2015. Spaces in the large rest house are also installed for office work and collective worker safety checks as well as taking rest.

On March 1, 2016 a convenience store opened in the large rest house. On April 11, operation of the shower room started. Efforts will continue to improve convenience of workers.