

AERB organized Theme Meeting on "Classification of Radioactive Waste"

AERB organised a theme meeting on "Classification of Radioactive Waste" on March 6, 2023, to share experience on the application of AERB Safety Guide on the subject, both at the facility level and in safety regulation. The theme meeting provided an effective forum for discussion, for nearly 100 stakeholders from the entire spectrum of nuclear fuel cycle facilities i.e. mining, milling, fuel fabrication, nuclear power plants, fuel reprocessing and waste management facilities.

Shri D. K. Shukla, Chairman, AERB, in his address emphasized the importance of an effective and harmonized radioactive waste classification scheme, considering both national practices and IAEA safety standards for application of graded approach in radioactive waste management. He further said that radioactive waste management is an important aspect in the public perception point of view.

Dr. C.P. Kaushik, Ex-AD, NRG, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, delivered the keynote address on "Innovation & Challenges in Radioactive Waste Management" highlighting importance of classification and categorization in selection of waste management options and latest developments in the field. Stakeholders and AERB officials also spoke in the theme meeting.

The outcome of the meeting provided valuable inputs for establishing an effective radioactive waste classification scheme. The strengths and areas required for further improvement of the Safety Guide were also identified.



Shri D.K. Shukla, Chairman, AERB, inaugurating the Theme Meeting on "Classification of Radioactive Waste."



Shri A. P. Garg, Director, NFRG, AERB, delivering the Opening Remarks.