

# The Current Situation of Off-site Clean-up in Japan

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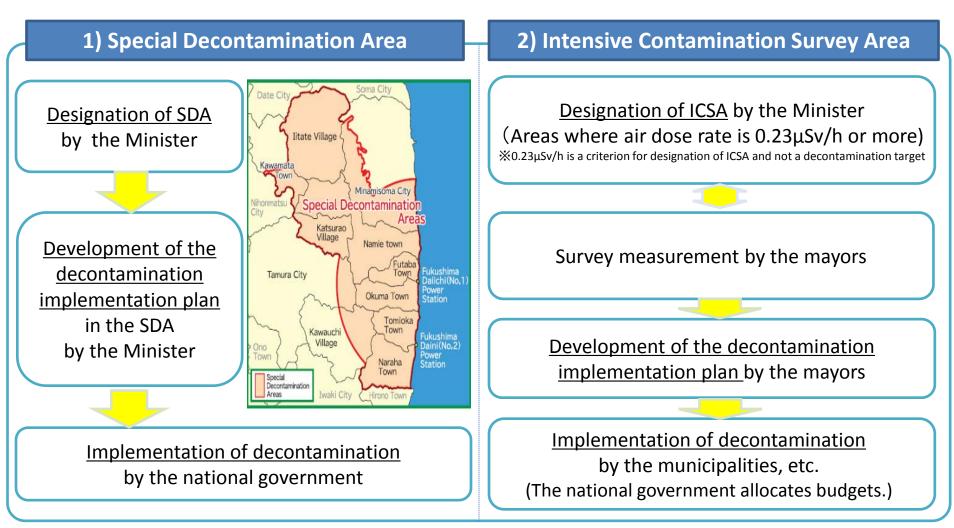
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# **1.Current Situation of Off-site Decontamination**

# 2. Interim Storage Facility

## Decontamination based on the "Act on Special Measures"

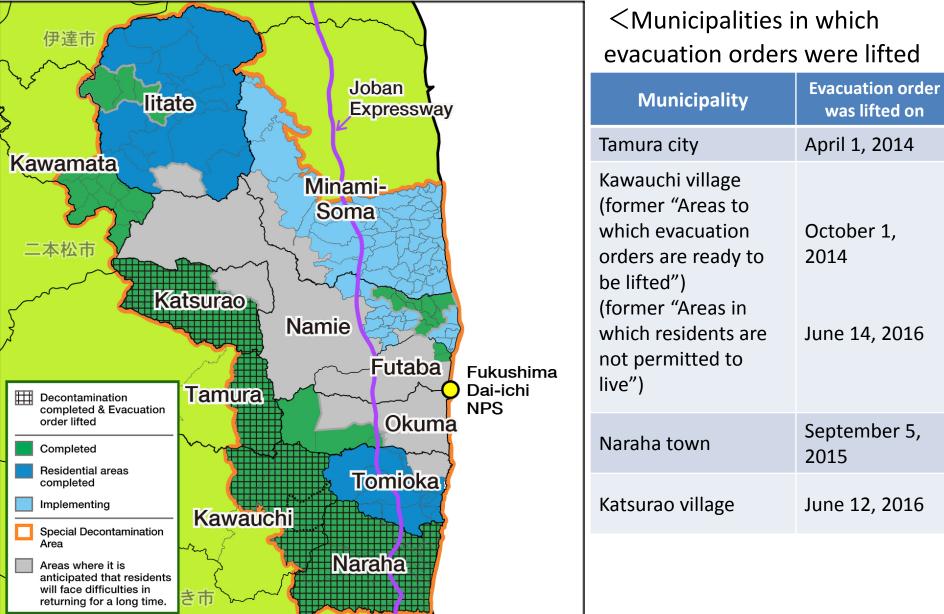


Note: The air dose rate  $0.23\mu$ Sv/h corresponds to a cautiously estimated individual exposure dose of 1mSv/y assuming that people spend (1) 8 hours outside (2) 16 hours in a wooden house with a low shielding rate in a day

#### Decontamination and disposal of soil at Nuclear Power Station

Implemented by the NPS operating company in charge (TEPCO)

## Progress in the Special Decontamination Area ${f 1}$



## **Progress in the Special Decontamination Area** ② (As of the end of May 2016)

## Main Topic

• Decontamination in progress with max. 15,400 labor per day (May 1 – May 31, 2016)

1. Municipalities implementing whole area decontamination (aimed to complete all the decontamination by March 2017)

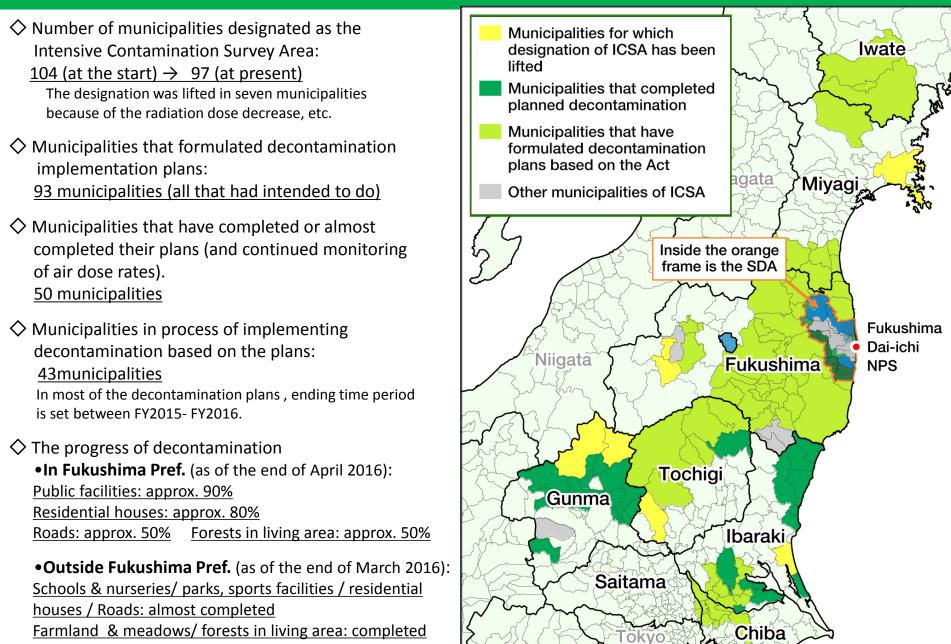
	Securement of TSS	Consent on	Execution rate (%) Note 2,3			
	Note 1,3	decontamination Note 3	Residential area	Farmland	Forest	Road
litate	Secured	99.6%	100	62 (57)	96 (95)	62 (57)
Minami-Soma	Secured	91%	95 (93)	35(34)	62 (60)	39
Namie	94%	97%	63 (57)	39 (38)	83 (77)	71 (69)
Tomioka	Secured	Completed	100	99	100	99.9

#### 2. Municipalities completed decontamination

	Time of Completion	
Tamura	June 2013	
Naraha	March 2014	
Kawauchi	March 2014	
Okuma	March 2014	
Katsurao	December 2015	
Kawamata	December 2015 Note 5	
Futaba	March 2016	

Note 1: The ratio shows: Contracted TSS area / Necessary TSS area. It might
change because of increase and decrease of the necessary area
depending on the progress of decontamination construction
Note 2: Implementation ratio: Decontamination-completed area / Target
decontamination area. They might be both revised with future
investigation. "Areas where it is anticipated that residents will face
difficulties in returning for a long time" are basically not included
Note 3: Numbers in () are the numbers in a previous month. Numbers without
() have not been changed from the previous month
Note 4: Time of decontamination completion means the time which
decontamination is completed in the area with residents' consents. If
the area is not decontaminated, it will be eventually decontaminated
once the consent is obtained
Note 5: A part of farmland struck by heavy rain disaster is not included

## Progress in the Intensive Contamination Survey Area $oldsymbol{1}$



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## Progress in Intensive Contamination Survey Area 3

Within Fukushima Prefecture (As of the end of April 2016)	Ordering Ratio (Number of ordering/Number of planning	Executing Ratio (Number of actual achievement/Number of planning)
Public facilities, etc.	approx. 90%	approx. 80%
Residential houses	mostly ordered	approx. 90%
Roads	approx. 70%	approx. 50%
Farmlands & meadows	approx. 90%	approx. 90%
Forests(in living areas)	approx. 80%	approx. 50%

Note: The number of planning areas have been continuously revised, based on the investigation result made by Fukushima Prefecture

Outside Fukushima Pref. (As of the end of March 2016)	Ordering Ratio (Number of Ordering/number of planning)	Executing Ratio (Number of actual achievement/number of planning)
Schools and nurseries	mostly ordered	almost completed
Park, Sports facilities	mostly ordered	almost completed
Residential houses	mostly ordered	almost completed
Other facilities	approx. 90%	approx. 90%
Roads	mostly ordered	almost completed
Farmlands & meadows	ordered	completed
Forests( in living areas)	ordered	completed

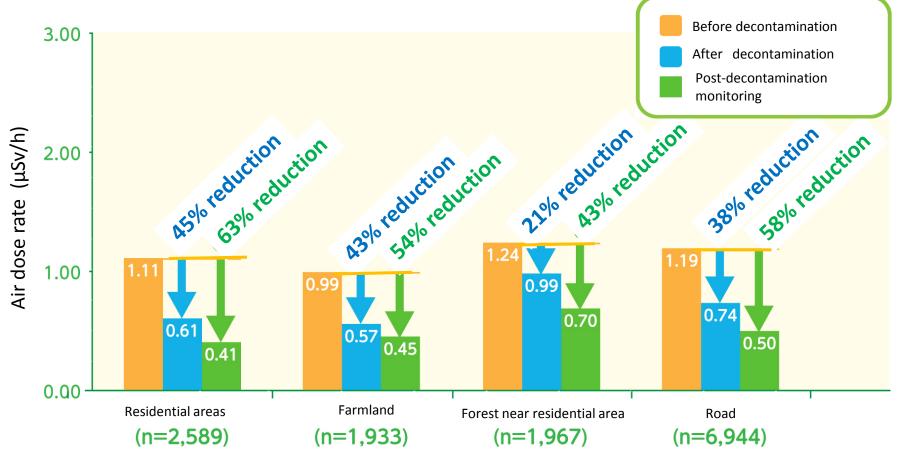
Note: The number of planning is the total number until the end of Dec. 2015, which might be increased in future depending on each municipality's status. 7

## **Effects of Decontamination Work in Kawauchi**

#### [Air dose rate at the height of 1m from the ground at entire Kawauchi village\*] Air dose rates at residential areas :

decreased approx. 45% comparing before decontamination to after decontamination decreased approx. 63% comparing before decontamination to post-decontamination monitoring and the effects of decontamination have been retained

\*entire Kawauchi village: indicates both former "Areas in Which Residents are not Permitted to Live" and former "Areas to Which Evacuation Orders are Ready to be Lifted"



# 1.Current Situation of Off-site Decontamination

# **2. Interim Storage Facility**

## What is an Interim Storage Facility (ISF)?

- In Fukushima Prefecture, large quantities of contaminated soil and waste have been generated from decontamination activities.
- Currently, it is difficult to clarify methods of final disposal of such soil and waste.
  Until final disposal becomes available, it is necessary to establish an Interim Storage Facility (ISF) in order to manage and store soil and waste safely.

The following materials generated in Fukushima Prefecture will be stored in the ISF.

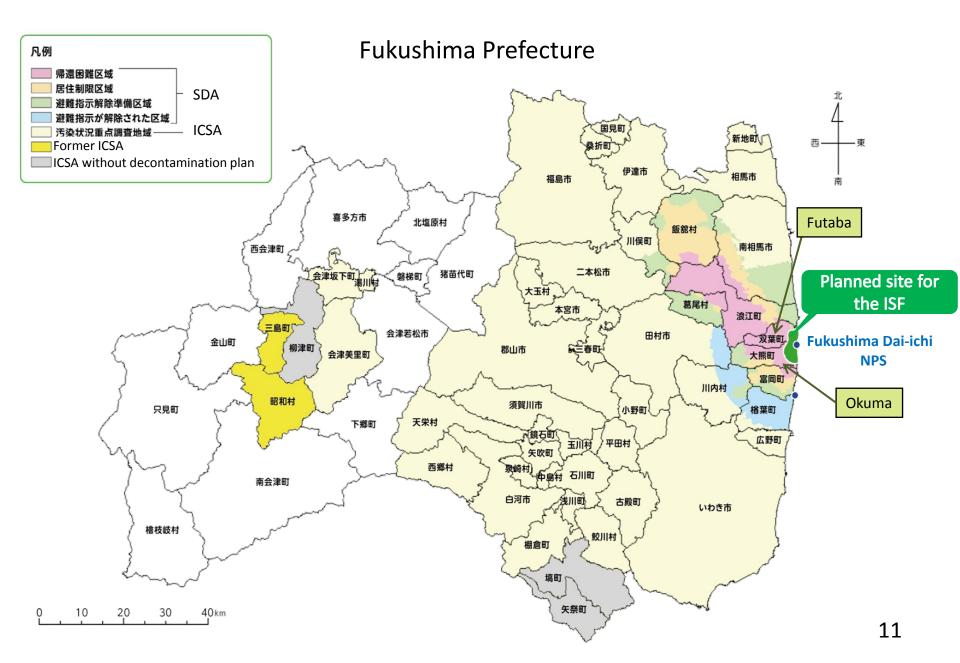
 Soil and waste (such as fallen leaves and branches) generated from decontamination activities, which have been stored at the Temporary Storage Sites.



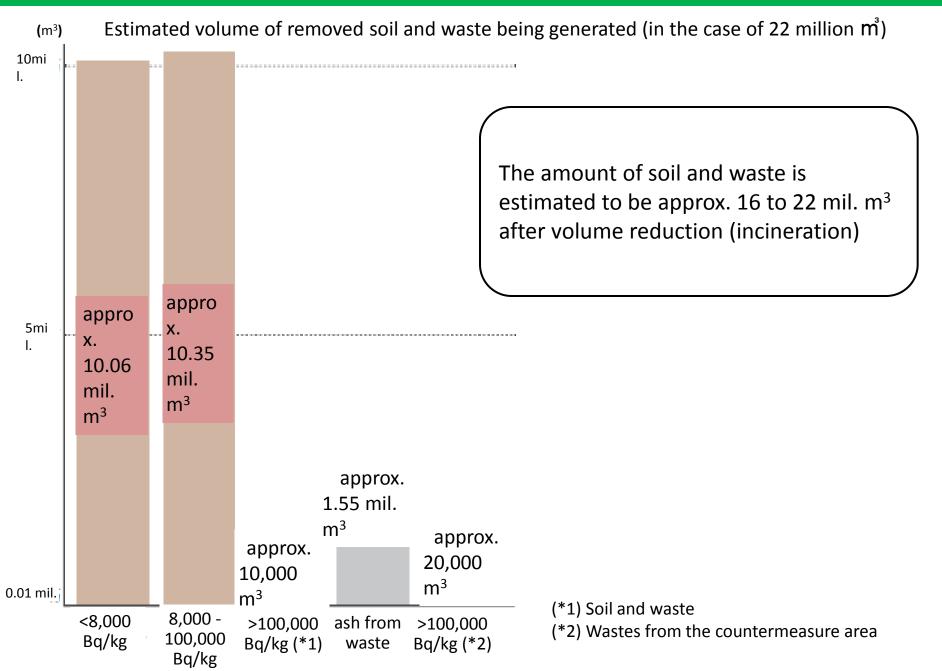
\* In principle, combustible materials will be incinerated, and incinerated ash will be stored.

2. Incineration ash with radioactive concentration more than 100,000 Bq/kg.

## **Planned Site for the Interim Storage Facility**

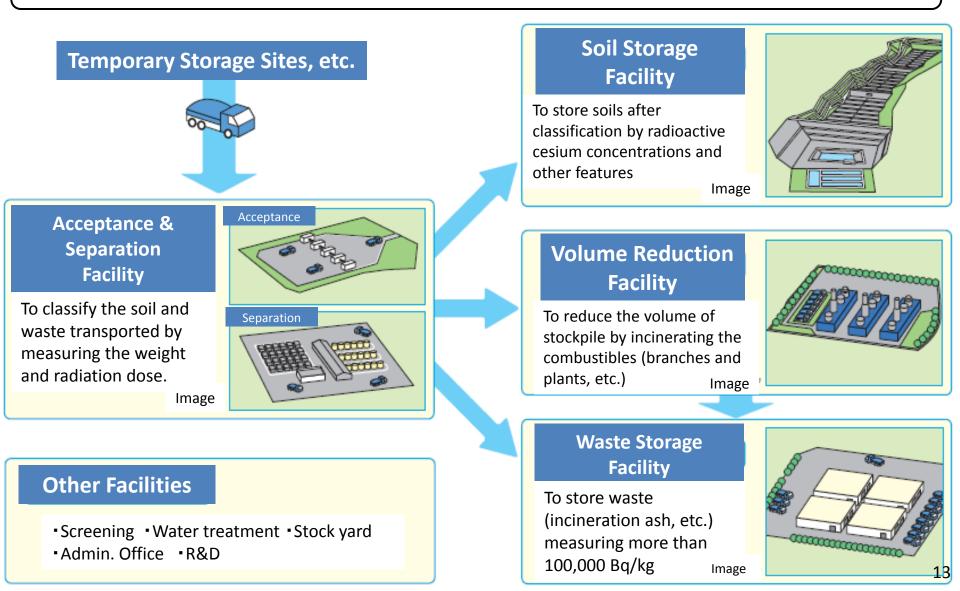


## **Estimated Storage Volume in the Interim Storage Facility**



## Facilities and Disposal Process at the Interim Storage Facility

OThe Interim Storage Facility consists of several facilities with various functions.



## **Process regarding the Interim Storage Facility**

TIME	CONTENTS
Oct. 2011	MOE announced the Basic Principles of the roadmap of the Interim Storage Facility (ISF).
May-June, 2014	The Government held <u>explanatory meetings for residents. (16 times in total: 10 times in</u> <u>Fukushima, 6 times outside Fukushima)</u>
Sep. 1, 2014	The Governor of Fukushima accepted the construction of the ISF, and both mayors of Okuma and Futaba agreed that the government would explain to the landowners. At the same time, the Governor asked confirmation of the five conditions of the national government before its acceptance of transportation of soil.
Oct Nov. 2014	The amendment bill for the Japan Environmental Safety Corporation (JESCO) Law in order to legislate the final disposal of contaminated soil and waste outside Fukushima Prefecture was approved by the Cabinet and submitted to the Diet in Oct. The law was enacted in Nov. and put into effect in Dec.
Feb. 25, 2015	The Governor of Fukushima and both mayors of Okuma and Futaba conveyed the acceptance to the Minister of the Environment and the Minister for Reconstruction.
March, 2015 -	<u>Transportation of soil from temporary storage sites to the stock yards started in Okuma on</u> <u>March 13, in Futaba on March 25, and sequentially in other municipalities.</u>

# Status of Candidate Site for ISF As of the end of May 2016

		Area	Ratio to the whole area
Whole area		Approx. 1,600 ha	
Landowners with contact information		Approx. 1,450 ha	Approx. 91%
Accepted property investigation		Approx. 1,120 ha	Approx. 70%
Already completed investigation		Approx. 950 ha	Approx. 59%
	Contracted ※	Approx. 38 ha	Approx. 2.3%
Public	Land owned by town	Approx. 165ha	Approx. 10.3%
land	National land/Municipality land/ Unregistered land	Approx. 165ha	Approx. 10.3%

## Pilot Transportation / Stock Yards

 In order to confirm safe and secure delivery towards the transportation of a large amount of decontamination soil, MOE implemented pilot transportation approx. 1,000m<sup>3</sup> each from 43 municipalities in Fukushima Prefecture from 2015-2016

◆ Pilot transportation period: March 13, 2015 – March 28, 2016

### <Actual achievement of the pilot transportation>

### Stored volume: <u>45,382m<sup>3</sup> in total</u>

Stock Yards in Okuma: 23,266 m<sup>3</sup> Stock Yards in Futaba: 22,116 m<sup>3</sup> (Incombustibles: 40,034m<sup>3</sup>, Combustibles: 5,348m<sup>3</sup>) \* Calculated on the assumption that the volume of a large bag is 1 m<sup>3</sup>

### Total number of trucks used: 7,529 in total

Stock yards in Okuma: 3,868 trucks Stockyards in Futaba: 3,661 trucks

#### Results of truck screening

Surface doses of all the trucks from the Stock yards have been screened and proved to be below the standard of 13,000 cpm.

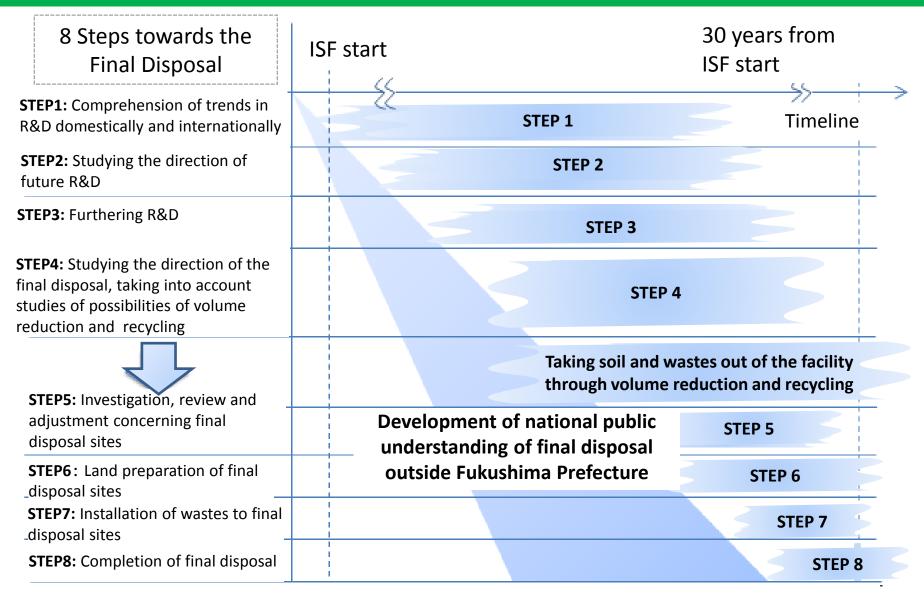


Facilitation of bags at Stock Yards



Operation of a truck screening

# Measures towards the Final Disposal of Decontamination Soil outside Fukushima Pref.



## **Public Communication**

#### Provision of basic and comprehensive information

■ Web http://josen.env.go.jp/en/

Call centers in Fukushima and in Tokyo

### Decontamination Information Plaza (Information hub run by MOE and Fukushima Pref.)

Providing interactive communications with people and municipalities

Interactive exhibition and workshops

• Dispatch of experts to municipalities, communities, schools, etc.

#### Pamphlets, comic books, and videos

- Providing easy-to-understand information with detailed data on decontamination and radiation
- Distributed at meetings, workshops, city offices, banks, and supermarkets in Fukushima, and also available on the Web



### **Collaboration with media**

Providing information that helps people understand remediation and the state of the region after remediation,

#### in collaboration with media in Fukushima

- Newspaper ads and TV/radio programs
- "Thanks Helmet", a campaign to motivate the decontamination workers and improve relationships between the residents and the workers



#### Development of national public understanding

Widely disseminate information to the public of remediation and the state of the region after remediation so that they can correctly understand the current status of Fukushima and its products

PR of rice harvested from decontaminated paddy fields

Exhibition at Tokyo about "Steps for Restoration of Fukushima"

## **Cooperation with International Societies**

## Information exchange through bilateral frameworks (U.S., France, UK, etc.) and international organizations (IAEA, OECD/NEA, etc.)

MOE has been exchanging information among policy makers and experts, concerning decontamination policy, methods, and research for the environmental behavior of radioactive materials and utilizing shared knowledge and information to review and to implement its decontamination activities.

#### Nov.3-4,2015

4th Meeting of Decommissioning and Environmental Management Working Group (DEMWG) U.S./Japan Bilateral Commission (BLC) on Civil Nuclear Cooperation (@Washington D.C.)

<u>Nov.10-11,2015</u> The 4th Japan-UK Nuclear Dialogue (@London)

#### Nov.24-25,2015

The 5th meeting of the Japan-France Nuclear Cooperation Committee (@Tokyo)

#### Nov. 26, 2015

The 3rd Meeting of Japan-Ukraine Joint Committee for the cooperation to advance aftermath response to accident at nuclear power stations (@Kiev)

#### Nov. 27, 2015

The 3rd Meeting of Japan-Belarus Joint Committee for the cooperation to advance aftermath response to accident at nuclear power stations (@Minsk)

#### Feb.4-5,2016

The 1st IAEA-MOE Experts Meeting on Environment Remediation of Off-Site areas after the Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station Accident (@Tokyo)



