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'Water radiation levels are safe'

Chang: Data from monitoring stations show no readings above control thresholds

THERE has been no excessive radiation reading detected in local waters based on real-time readings from the five Gamma Spectrum Water Monitoring System (GSWMS) stations operating nationwide, says Chang Lih Kang (pic).

The Science, Technology and Innovation Minister said the first monitoring station was created at the Universiti Malaysia Sabah jetty in June 2023.

He said that four more monitoring stations located in Pulau Perhentian, Pulau Tioman, Bukit Malut in Langkawi and Bintulu have been operating since Oct 31 this year.

"These stations monitor gamma radiation continuously, providing real-time readings, and all data is analysed by the National Centre for Nuclear Response Management.



"So far, we have not detected any levels exceeding control thresholds," he said.

Chang was replying to Tan Hong Pin (PH-Bakri) who wanted to know the real-time and periodic monitoring of radioactivity levels.

He said the monitoring systems form part of Malaysia's preparedness following Japan's release of

treated radioactive water from the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant into the Pacific Ocean.

"Contingency measures have been put in place by the government should any incident involving radioactive spills or contamination occur.

"These measures include increased monitoring and seawater sampling, temporary restrictions on fishing activities and the consumption of marine products

in affected areas, as well as issuing public safety advisories.

"All these measures will be implemented through close cooperation with the Health Ministry, the National Disaster Management Agency and the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency."

Chang stressed that the government remains committed to continuous monitoring and preparedness to safeguard public health and environmental sustainability.