

MEDIA STATEMENT For Immediate Release

DOES UV RADIATION KILL COVID-19 VIRUSES?

BANGI, 9 SEPTEMBER 2021 – Malaysian Nuclear Agency has organised a live webinar on 9th September 2021 on UVC Radiation. The webinar entitled: DOES UV RADIATION KILL COVID-19 VIRUS; is a free and open for public. It is aimed to disseminate information and awareness on UV radiation safety and its efficacy for COVID-19 virus disinfection.

UV technology is becoming more available to the general public in Malaysia for its germicidal properties. Naturally, it also triggers a plethora of products and claims from sales people and manufacturers. From UV magic wands to high-tech LED bulbs, one can expect a lot of misinformation from advertisements and sales gimmicks without sufficient knowledge on the technology. Moreover, technology misused, and abuse are valid concerns as they may cause safety and health issues. Therefore, the Malaysian Nuclear Agency feels that the public needs to be informed and educated on the critical use of this technology. Hence, this webinar provides vital knowledge to users and industry players alike, hoping that the public can use this technology optimally.

The webinar, attended by 351 local and international participants, is also a teaser event towards the upcoming International Conference on Non-lonising Radiation (ICNIR 2021) on 2 -3rd November 2021. The conference is an annual event organised by Malaysian Nuclear Agency to address issues pertaining to Non-lonising Radiation technology, its applications and safety.

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