### A Model for Performance Based Method for Designing a PPS

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 A black swan is an event or occurrence that deviates beyond what is normally expected of a situation and is extremely difficult to predict.
Black swan events are typically random and are unexpected



### Prescriptive Based Approach

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- <u>how</u> PPS should be designed, built, protected, and maintained.
- through guidelines, codes and standards that prescribe (or specify)
  - > what is required for protection,
  - >how these requirements are to be met,
  - ➢how compliance is to be verified.
- It is based on pre-determined solution.
- ✓ Design of various devices could be detailed.
- ✓ Detailing of security provisions are easier to implement.

## Performance-Based Approach

- It relates the design and performance under certain conditions;
  - how well a system performs in defeating a defined adversary with protection in depth concept,
  - minimum consequence of component or system failure
  - balanced protection based on preset performance objectives.
- Possibility of improving the physical protection techniques to take advantage of the emergence of new concepts and new devices is possible.
- Competent authority or its technical support body should be able to assess the effectiveness of the adopted provisions and to judge the way in which they are applied.

## Performance Measures

- Defined time limit: detect an adversary, ensure that the system delay elements are activated fully, sufficient time to response forces to efficiently respond before the adversary completes their tasks
- The time required by the adversary to overcome obstacles should also be determined to decide the difficulty or the performance level of physical barriers required for delay.
- Operator and the regulator should be to assess its effectiveness and vulnerabilities.



## Fundamental Pillars For PBS

- Regulatory framework to integrate aims, functional and operational objectives of PPS, and performance requirements of physical protection;
- Selection of nuclear security standard procedures, security guidelines, and best practices, that can be used for screening most suitable and optimized methods for complying with an overall objectives; and
- Assessment and modelling tools for developing, reviewing, and verifying the designed PPS in accordance with operational and regulatory requirements.

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## Example for Performance Matrices

### Transport of NM

- Complete knowledge of geographical terrain, vunerable areas
- Communication channels, Transport support cell
- Security of information regarding routes and schedules
- Coordination among the different levels and jurisdictions of state, and local authorities.
- Special security provisions like panels, armour, NM vault, two person criteria
- Withholding tactical information about where mobile detection systems, communication systems so that the presence or absence of the capability at a particular time cannot be determined with certainty by an adversary.



#### With the increase in Nuclear Threat globally, Performance Based Approach is a necessity





## Performance Criteria

- Detection: alerts or signal the presence of adversary through (n) no of different ways; includes the assessment time.
- Delay: Delay the progress of an adversary for response to take place, should be effective immediately after detection with minimum response time;
- Response: Well-equipped and trained personnel to control the adversary in minimum time, n no. of response forces (on site guards, off-site police or military personnel).

- Nuclear security mandates the implementation of robust physical protection for the nuclear material and/or nuclear facilities.
- The objective of physical protection regime is the prevention of a malicious act by means of deterrence and by protection of sensitive information, management of an attempted malicious act or a malicious act by an integrated system of detection, delay, and response and mitigation of the consequences of a malicious act.
- An effective PPS requires procedures, systems and personnel working in complete coherence to perfectly neutralise threat or sabotage of any form or dimension.