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Sudan mining department is conducting project research involving the

use of the thorium fuel cycle by tracing Alpha- radiation emitting from isotopes of uranium and thorium were found on the surface marine sediment on the Sudanese coast of the Red Sea at Port Sudan localities through the use of radio chemical procedure and Alpha particle spectrometry that activity concentration of 232U, 234U, 238U, 232Th, 230Th, 228Th were measured so based on that findings the national council for radiological and nuclear control in Sudan conducting a project research involving the

use of the thorium fuel cycle to future nuclear industry in Sudan.

The works on thorium cycle were conducted for both studying and investigating aspects of development of nuclear power and the methods of involving thorium into it as an additional resource (long-term outlook), and studying those useful qualities which can be introduced by the use of thorium in operating reactors (short-term outlook and medium-term aspect).

This paper considers and evaluates the potential benefits that the thorium fuel cycle may offer as an alternative to the existing uranium fuel cycle.

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