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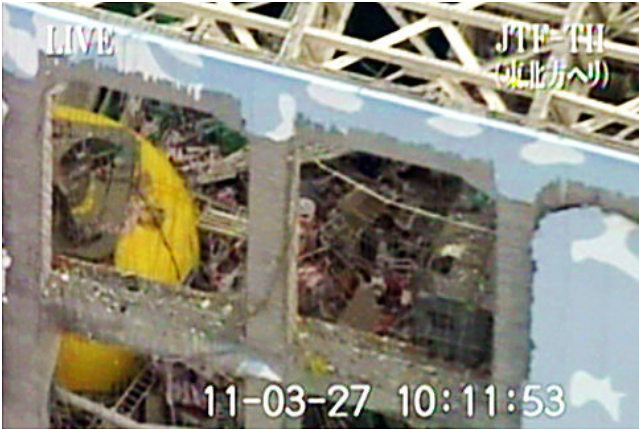
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Japan nuclear crisis: Pool of radioactive water found OUTSIDE Fukushima Daiichi plant

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This image released by Japan Ground Self-Defense Force shows Unit 4 at the damaged Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear power plant Sunday.

Workers trying to prevent a total meltdown at a Japanese nuclear power plant suffered another setback Monday when they found a pool of highly radioactive water leaking from the crippled facility.

"The trench is located outside the building and the water contains radioactive materials," [Hiro Hasegawa](#), a spokesman for the [Tokyo Electric Power Co.](#), told [The Daily Telegraph of London](#). "There is normally no water found in this area."

The sea - and it's vulnerable eco-system - is just 200 feet from the the Fukushima Daiichi plant.

"We do not believe (the radioactive water) is leaking into the ocean," Hasegawa said. "We are now working out where the cause of the leak is and finding ways to remove the water as soon as possible."

The discovery of the potentially deadly pool came just a day after officials evacuated the area around reactor No. 2 when water puddles 100,000 times more radioactive than normal were found.

"The radiation seems to have come from the fuel rods that were partially melted down and came into contact with the water used to cool the reactor," government spokesman [Yukio Edano](#) said.

Blasts at three reactors in the power station - in the aftermath of the massive March 11 earthquake and tsunami - caused the world's worst nuclear crisis since [Chernobyl](#).

Since then, emergency crews have had to contend with malfunctioning pumps and dangerous radiation spikes.

Meanwhile, the death toll from the killer quake and tsunami that rocked [Japan](#) two weeks ago climbed Monday over 11,000.

That already staggering figure was expected to rise rapidly this week with the National Police Agency reporting that another 17,339 people are still missing and

feared dead.

As if scientists grappling with the escalating peril at the Fukushima plant didn't have enough on their hands, a 6.5-magnitude earthquake early Sunday shook an already devastated northern Japan and triggered a new tsunami warning.

There were no immediate reports of damage or injuries and the tsunami alert was canceled within hours.

On Thursday, two workers were burned after they waded into highly radioactive water inside the plant's No. 3 reactor. They were released Monday.

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Tokyo Metro Police officers in protective suits search for missing persons at the earthquake-triggered tsunami hit area in Minamisoma, Fukushima.

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