In Murmansk Region, suspect held during investigation in death of three men killed by avalanche in Kirovsk



The Murmansk Region authorities of the Investigative Committee continue an investigation into a crime under Part 2 of Article 216 of the RF Penal Code (violation of safety rules during mining, construction or other works entailing death of a person by negligence) after several people were killed by an avalanche in the town of Kirvosk. The head of the avalanche control office of the industrial safety and labor protection department of AO Apatit has been detained as a suspect.

As became known earlier, on 18 February 2016, about 10 p.m., the avalanche control office of AO Apatit triggered an avalanche into an avalanche-protection structure (a dike) near Yukspor Mountain in the town of Kirovsk, which killed three men. Medical aid had to be provided to a woman. Windows and windowpanes of houses in Komsomolskaya Street in Kukisvumchorr micro-district were damaged.

In the near future the man is going to be charged with a crime under Part 3 of Article 216 of the RF Penal Code (violation of safety rules during mining, construction or other works entailing death of two or more people by negligence).

Necessary investigative operations are underway to find out all the details of the incident. The investigation is ongoing.

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