Probe finished into atrocious murder of woman in Psebay village of Krasnodar Territory



The Main Investigations Directorate of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation has concluded the investigation into Maxim Bondarenko and Savely Nikiforov accused of the murder of Natalya Dmitrieva in Psebay urban settlement in Krasnodar Territory and of other offences.

According to the investigation, on May 14, 2018, Bondarenko and Nikiforov, being under influence of alcohol and drugs, had raped Dmitrieva with especial cruelty and committed other actions involving sexual abuse which entailed infliction of grave injuries to her health. After that Bondarenko and Nikiforov had murdered Dmitrieva in order to conceal the committed offences.

The investigation obtained information about other offences committed by Bondarenko and Nikiforov in 2018 in Krasnodar Territory - plunder and theft.

Bondarenko was charged with five offences: rape, sexual abuse against Dmitrieva, infliction of grave injuries to her health, her murder, and open plunder of property from a minor.

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Nikiforov was also charged with five offences: rape, sexual abuse against Dmitrieva, infliction of grave injuries to her health, her murder, and theft.

Moreover, the investigation pressed charges against two more persons: Artem Kurganov who, according to the investigation, had committed the plunder jointly with Bondarenko, and Roman Krasov who had committed the theft with Nikiforov.

At the request of the investigation, the Krasnodar Regional Ministry of Labour and Social Development provided psychological and social assistance through allowances to the family of murdered Dmitrieva.

As a result of review of the investigation's recommendations on elimination of circumstances that contributed to the commission of the crimes, educational and local self-government authorities of Mostovskoy District of Krasnodar Territory that were responsible for organizing preventive work with minors have been fired from their positions. A complex of measures aimed at future prevention of crimes and offences committed by minors have been carried out in the region, special guidance manuals have been issued and interaction between educational institutions and regional units of the Ministry of Internal Affairs has been intensified.

The investigators collected enough evidence for the criminal case to be transferred to the Prosecutor's Office to approve an indictment.

In addition, the Investigative Committee of Russia continues the investigation into the police department investigator failed to bring to justice Bondarenko who later had become an accomplice in the murder of the mother of many children in Psebay. She is suspected of committing a crime under Article 286 of the Criminal Code of Russia (exceeding official powers). A week before the murder of Dmitrieva, the police officer had decided against opening an investigation upon a report on an open theft of a jacket by two minors from their peer in Psebay. The police investigator had violated the criminal and procedural regulations and failed to report the offence to the Investigative Committee bodies in accordance with the jurisdiction, despite the sufficient information on the circumstances of the crime committed by the group of persons. In her statement, the police investigator had indicated that Bondarenko and Kurganov had not been involved in the theft. The legal assessment to the fact had been given just now, during the investigation by the Main Investigations Directorate. It is evident that timely and competent actions of the police investigator could have prevented the commission of the especially grave offence that followed.

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