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## **In the Orenburg Region, three more persons detained in terms of investigation of a probe into poisoning of people**



The Orenburg Regional Investigative Department of the Investigative Committee of Russia continues investigation of a probe into lethal poisoning of residents of the Orenburg Region.

As reported earlier, the Orenburg Regional Investigative Department of the Investigative Committee of Russia initiated five criminal cases for crimes under Part 3 of Article 238 of the Criminal Code (production and sale of goods not meeting safety requirements, resulting in the death of more than two people by negligence), Paragraph A of Part 6 of Article 171. 1 of the Criminal Code of Russia (production, purchase, storage, transportation for sale or sale of unmarked alcoholic beverages subject to mandatory marking with excise stamps or federal special stamps, committed on a large scale by a group of persons by prior conspiracy); Part 1 of Article 171.3 of the Criminal Code (Illegal production and trafficking of ethyl alcohol, alcoholic and alcohol-containing products, committed on a large scale). The criminal cases have been merged in one.

By the time of publication, 37 victims had been identified, 18 of whom were fatal. The rest had already received, or were in the process of receiving of medical treatment.

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As a result of an additional set of investigative actions and operational-investigative activities carried out as part of the investigation, the involvement of new figures in the commission of the crimes was established. So, to date, on suspicion of committing a crime under Part 3 of Article 238 of the Criminal Code of Russia (production and sale of goods that do not meet safety requirements, resulting in the death of more than two persons by negligence), a 50-year-old resident of the village of Jasai, Adamovsky district, was detained, from whose house 132 bottles with an alcohol-containing liquid were seized by investigators.

In addition, two residents of the city of Orsk at the age of 35 and 34 are currently being detained; they are relatives of the main person involved in the case, and, according to the investigation, they were involved in the organization of mass production and distribution of an alcohol-containing liquid dangerous to the life and health of citizens.

Thus, the investigators, in cooperation with the operational police officers, identified and detained 6 persons suspected of committing the crimes under investigation, in respect of whom the investigation intends to apply for a preventive measure in the form of detention. The production of investigative, procedural and operational-search measures continues and is aimed at identifying all persons involved in the commission of the crimes under investigation. The criminal investigation is ongoing.

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