

Bus Falls Off Cliff in Russia, Killing 6 Miners

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A bus carrying 22 miners plunged off a cliff in Russia on Friday, killing six workers of a company that owns the country's largest coal mine, authorities have said.

Videos from the scene of the incident in the Kemerovo region showed an upside-down orange Kamaz truck in a gray pit.

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“The Kamaz fell off an 8-10 meter cliff,” an unnamed traffic police officer [told](#) the state-run TASS news agency on Friday, noting that six workers were reported dead.

Regional prosecutors [said](#) 18 people were injured.

A criminal case has been opened into the violation of safety rules, the Investigative Committee's regional branch [said](#) in a statement.

The Razrez-Raspadsky open-pit mine where the incident took place is [part](#) of the Raskadskaya coal-mining company owned by steelmaker Evraz.

At least 90 people were [killed](#) in 2010 when a series of methane gas explosions ripped apart the Raskadskaya underground coal mine — the largest of its kind in Russia.

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