

Siberian Funeral Homes Deny Moscow Construction Caused Tombstone Shortage

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Siberia is [not](#) experiencing tombstone shortages, several of the region's funeral home managers told the business RBC network.

After Moscow extended its controversial “My Street” urban renewal program earlier in Oct., Meduza reported that granite deliveries had been diverted from three Siberian and central Russian funeral homes.

Russia reportedly increased granite imports from China and Ukraine to compensate for the deficiencies.

Three funeral homes in the Siberian city of Omsk told RBC on Friday that they are not experiencing difficulties with granite deliveries.

“We get granite by the train-car load, there are no problems with supplies,” a funeral homes

representative said.

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Four other funeral homes in the Siberian cities of Krasnoyarsk, Irkutsk and Novosibirsk confirmed they had no granite shortage.

In central Russia, five funeral homes in Astrakhan and four in Kazan and Nizhny Novgorod denied having difficulties with granite supplies.

“My Street” costs are expected to mushroom from \$1.6 billion spent since 2015 to \$3.5 billion by 2020. Meduza has learned that construction workers have laid 1.82 million square meters of granite sidewalks and 1,100 kilometers of granite curbs since 2010.

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