

## Floods Kill 6 People in Southern Russia, Sochi Announces State of Emergency

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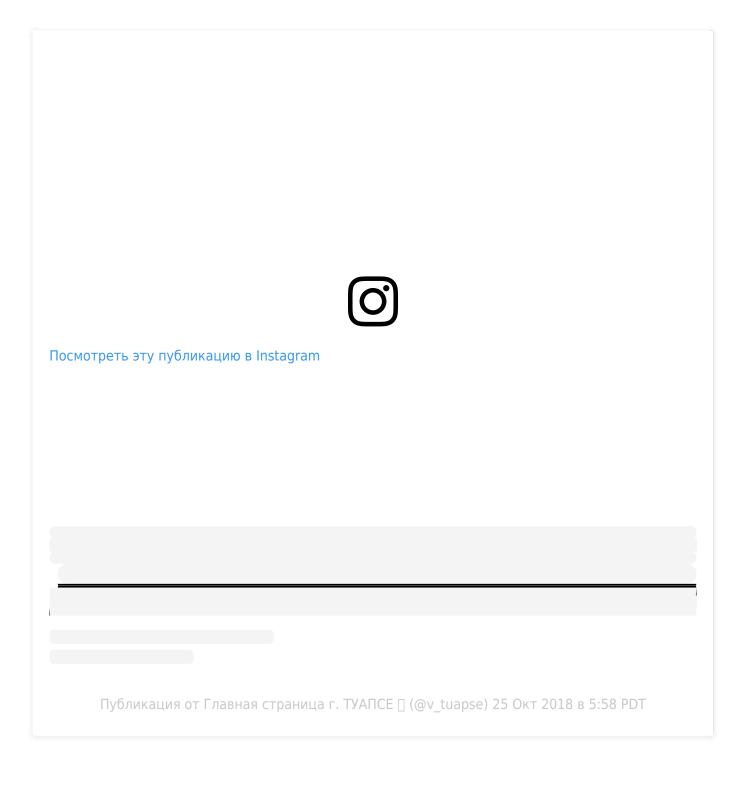


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Heavy floods have killed at least six people in southern Russia's Krasnodar region, state agencies <u>reported</u> Friday, citing local emergency officials.

Regional governor Veniamin Kondratiev announced a state of emergency starting on Thursday in the cities of Sochi, Apsheronsk and Tuapse following heavy rains on Oct. 24-25, Interfax <u>reported</u>.

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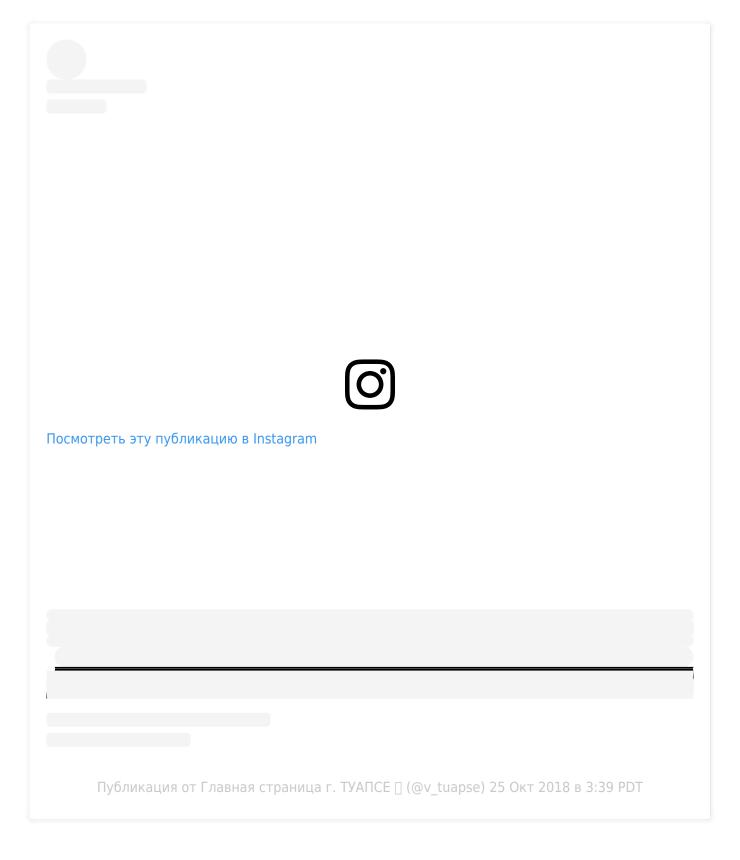


"Until the heavy rainfall stops, it's necessary to evacuate people," Kondratiev was <u>cited</u> as saying by the regional administration's press service. "Unfortunately, the weather is disappointing. For the next two days a decrease in precipitation is not expected."

Four dead bodies were found in Apsheronsk, where around 2,000 homes have been flooded, a regional emergency official was <u>cited</u> by the state-run TASS news agency as saying.

Tuapse, a town of 60,000 people, has been left without running water, TASS reported on Friday.

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The floods also caused a highway bridge to **collapse** outside of Sochi.

Kondratiev on Thursday said that he had ordered the vice governor of the region, Igor Galas, to earmark 1 billion rubles (\$15.2 million) for the victims of the flooding, the Interfax news agency <u>reported</u>.

"The elements will pass and people will need money," he said.

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