

2 Killed, 7 Injured as Russian Plane Makes Emergency Landing in Siberia

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Two people were killed and at least seven injured when an Antonov An-24 passenger plane made an emergency landing at a regional airport in Russia's republic of Buryatia, in Siberia, on Thursday, the area's emergency situations ministry said.

There were 46 people, including four crew, on board the plane, which was en route from the regional capital of Ulan-Ude to Nizhneangarsk.

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The ministry said the plane overshot the runway after landing, hit a small building and caught fire.

Thirty-one people sought medical assistance following the crash, Tatyana Prokhorova, the deputy head of the North Baikal District, <u>told</u> Interfax. Four of the injured passengers,

including two children, were hospitalized, she said.

The flight was operated by Russian regional airline Angara, media reported.

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The Investigative Committee's East Siberian transport investigation department has <u>opened</u> a criminal case into the crash, citing air traffic safety and air transport violations which resulted in deaths by negligence.

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