

# *Three Japanese Executives Indicted for Fukushima Nuclear Disaster*

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Tokyo, March 2 (RHC)-- In news from Japan, the former CEO and two other former executives of nuclear giant TEPCO have been indicted for negligence over the disaster at the Fukushima nuclear plant nearly five years ago.

In March 2011, a massive earthquake and tsunami triggered a nuclear meltdown, exposing workers and residents to radiation and forcing a mass evacuation. Nearly 15,000 Fukushima residents filed a complaint, but prosecutors twice refused to bring charges against the executives.

Last year, a citizens' panel ruled the executives should face trial, forcing the first criminal action over the disaster to move forward.

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