

《深圳山体滑坡系安全事故非地质灾害》

A work safety accident rather than a geological disaster

While 75 people remain missing in Sunday's Shenzhen landslide. The investigation team under the State Council have identified the major cause to be a construction-waste slide rather than a simple geological disaster, and have defined it as a work-safety accident.

Meanwhile, additional engineering technicians and excavators have been deployed to the search and rescue operation. Monitoring has been increased for buildings that could be housing dangerous chemicals.

One survivor was rescued on Wednesday morning, while four bodies have so far been recovered. Two of the 17 injured have been discharged from hospitals. More than five thousand rescuers with over seven hundred excavators and bulldozers are still searching through the mud and rubble for signs of life.

A mountain of construction waste collapsed on an industrial park in South China's Shenzhen city five days ago, burying 33 buildings.