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11 dead, 4 missing after ferry sinks in east China

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USPA News - The death toll after the sinking of a ferry on a river in eastern China has risen to eleven, state-run media reported on Thursday, just days after the sinking of another boat in China claimed the lives of a dozen people. Several people remain missing from both incidents.

The latest incident happened at around 9 a.m. local time on Wednesday when a ferry capsized and sank on the Minjiang River in Xiadao, a township which is part of Nanping City in east China's Fujian province. It happened during high winds and heavy rains, causing the boat to overturn. Officials at the Nanping municipal government told the state-run Xinhua news agency that rescue workers recovered eight more bodies on Thursday, raising the death toll to at least eleven. Four other people who were also on board remain missing and are feared to have drowned, but searches are continuing. The incident comes just days after a similar accident which also happened in eastern China. That incident happened on Monday when strong winds caused a container ship to capsize and sink about 40 nautical miles (74 kilometers) northeast of Longkou in Shandong province, killing at least twelve people and leaving two others missing and presumed dead.

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