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## Prosecutors seize recorded remarks by Fukushima plant's ex-head

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Prosecutors have seized recorded remarks by a former head of the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant while investigating suspicions of professional negligence over the disaster at the plant in March 2011, sources close to the matter said Monday.

Masao Yoshida made the remarks in interviews with the government's committee on investigations into the accident triggered by the devastating earthquake and tsunami that hit northeastern Japan on March 11, 2011.

The prosecutors had attempted to interrogate Yoshida on the predictability of and responses to the accident and have eventually decided to seize the recorded remarks in consideration of his poor health, the sources said.

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