

Russia-Ukraine war: Daily Update Report (August 03, 2024)

Key developments

Russia suffers significant casualties

- General staff of Ukraine's armed forces reported 1,170 casualties in the past 24 hours making it to total of 581,760 casualties of Russian militaries. There are some other developments too in past 24 hours, and destruction of some army equipment too
 - 4 Russian tanks making it total of 8,406 tanks
 - 27 armoured fighting vehicles making it total of 16,238 armoured vehicles
 - 56 artillery systems making it total of 16,217 artillery systems
 - 1 MLR systems making it total of 1,135 MLR systems
 - 1 air defence making it total of 908 air defences
 - 363 warplanes
 - 326 helicopters
 - 52 UAVs making it total of 13,057 UAVs
 - 3 cruise missiles making it total of 2,410 cruise missiles
 - 28 warships/cutters
 - A submarine
 - 54 vehicles and fuel tankers making it total of 21,926
 - 4 units of specialized equipment making it total of 2,723

Intense fighting in Pokrovsk Direction

- President Zelensky emphasized on a fact that Russia is fighting fierce battle in Pokrovsk region, this was reported by commander-in-chief Oleksandr Syrskyi of Ukrainian force.

Ukraine downs 24 Russian attack drones

- Russia launched 29 kamikaze drones in the regions of Primorsk-Akhtarsk, Kursk, and Crimea and Ukrainian successfully destroyed 24 kamikaze drones. Russia launched some of these drones Shahed 131/136, S-300, Kh-31P missiles, describing the wide spectrum of Russian equipment for attacks.

Exchange of soldiers' remains

- Ukraine received the bodies of 250 soldiers in a significant exchange mediated by the International Red Cross. This exchange marks one of the largest since the invasion begin, with Ukraine handing over 38 Russian soldiers' remains. Both countries are completing DNA tests of soldiers before handing over them to their families.

Economic and social Impact

- Ukraine faces mass emigration (700K projected) due to Russian attacks causing power cuts and economic strain, reflected in S&P's credit downgrade to "selective default" following missed bond payment.

Conclusion

The situation in Ukraine remains critical, with Russian forces making significant territorial gains in the east. The strategic importance of Pokrovsk and the increasing pressure on Ukrainian defences highlight the ongoing intensity of the conflict. Meanwhile, humanitarian concerns continue to grow, as evidenced by the exchange of remains and the projected increase in emigration from Ukraine.

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