

Russia-Ukraine war: Daily Update Report (August 01, 2024)

Key developments

Arrival of F-16 fighter jets

- Ukraine received first batch of long-awaited F-16 fighter jets, news confirmed by Lithuania's foreign minister and U.S. officials also.
- This marks significant development for Ukraine in air defence domain and some other countries committed to deliver nearly 60 planes to Ukraine in upcoming days, it includes
 - Denmark
 - Belgium
 - Netherlands
 - Norway

Massive drone attacks repelled

- There was attack from Russia targeting the capital of Ukraine with 89 drones and one missile, Ukrainian air defence took down all of them. Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelensky emphasised on having more air defence systems from allies to maintain this level of protection

Ukraine's counteroffensive

- Report says that Ukrainian forces took down a military facility of Russia in Kursk region.

Diplomatic developments

- President Zelensky said that they don't need China to act as mediator for establishing peace between Russia and Ukraine, but he also insisted that Beijing should apply more pressure to Moscow.

Russian military recruitments

- President Vladimir Putin has doubled the incentive for the ones who volunteers to be on upfront in this war, the new revenue for them is said to be 400,000 rubbles.

Territorial changes

- Russia took control over 8 different villages of northeastern, eastern, and southern region of Ukraine. This development was slow and steady, and Russian army accomplished this in month of July.

Cyberattack on Ukraine.

- Allegedly there were attacks on critical infrastructure of Ukraine. Ukrainian believe that this was state-sponsored attack by Russian hackers.

Conclusion

As the conflict enters its 888th day, the arrival of F-16 fighter jets marks a significant development in Ukraine's defensive capabilities. The successful repulsion of a massive drone attack demonstrates the effectiveness of Ukraine's air defence systems, while diplomatic efforts continue to seek a resolution to the conflict. The situation remains dynamic, with both sides engaged in military operations and strategic manoeuvres.

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