Russia-Ukraine war: Daily Update Report (July 26, 2024)

Introduction

The conflict between Russia and Ukraine still continues with significant developments on July 26, 2024.

Key developments

Pentagon allocates additional \$2B to Ukraine

Pentagon discovered more discrepancies in its accounting of its assessments of
defence items send to Ukraine, allowing for an additional \$2 billion in military aid.
There were discrepancies in 2023 also they were worth \$6.2B. The US house passed a
bill worth \$95 billion military aid, including \$61B to Ukraine.

Russia war losses

Casualties of Russian soldier in Ukraine have reached new heights 572,300 casualties
out of this 950 were reported tomorrow only. Same losses of Russia can be seen in
military equipment including 8,320 tanks and 12,683 UAVs.

Ukraine downs 22 Shahed drones

Russia launched 22 Shahed drones overnight with Iskander-M ballistic missile,
 Ukrainian air defence was successful in intercepting 22 drones out of 22.

103 combat clashes

• There has been 103 combat clashes since the starting of Sunday reported by Reuters, with the heaviest fighting in Pokrovsk, Kurakhove, and Vremivka axes.

Ukraine's hopes and challenges with F-16s

• The first F-16 fighter jets are set to arrive in Ukraine from NATO member states, critical for countering Russia's aerial dominance.



- Russian forces targeted the air-fields containing the F-16 but Ukraine claimed that the attack was there but the F-16 which was destroyed, it was model rather than original one
- These jets are too important for Ukraine, as they are essential for various missions viz.
 Suppression of Enemy Air Defence (SEAD) and Defence Counter Air (DCA). These jets are vulnerable also as they require smooth runways.

Conclusion

The situation remains dynamic, with ongoing military engagements across multiple fronts. The arrival of F-16 fighter jets and additional tanks could potentially shift the balance of air power, while continued international support remains crucial for Ukraine's defence efforts.

Citations:

Pentagon allocates another USD 2 B to help Ukraine

Russia's war losses in Ukraine up by 950 over past 24 hours

Ukraine downs 20 Shahed drones overnight Friday

War update: 103 clashes since day-start

War update: 149 clashes in past day, most Russian assaults repelled in Pokrovsk,

Kurakhove axes

Ukraine's hopes and challenges after long wait for F-16s

Ukraine war briefing: Pentagon accounting error creates path for billions more to be sent to Kyiv

Some AI 😊