

INFORMATION DIGEST

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Status of the Ukrainian nuclear power plants and the nuclear industry of Ukraine

- According to SE "NNEGC "Energoatom", as of March 27-28, 2023, 9 power units of Ukrainian nuclear power plants, which are located on the territory controlled by Ukraine, worked to meet the needs of the population and the country's economy.
- Director General of the IAEA, Raphael Grossi, arrived in Ukraine for a visit. He has already met with President Volodymyr Zelensky and inspected the damage to the Dnipro HPP in Zaporizhzhia.

Current situation on Zaporizhzhya NPP

- According to the SE "NNEGC "Energoatom" as of evening March 27-28, 2023, the Zaporizhzhya NPP received power for its in-house needs from the energy system of Ukraine. The radiation situation at the ZNPP site remains normal.
- Russia is ready to hold talks on the situation at the station with the head of the International Atomic Energy Agency, Rafael Grossi. This was stated by the adviser to the general director of Rosatom, Renat Karchaev, on the broadcast of the propaganda channel "Russia 24".

Previously, Raphael Grossi wrote on his Twitter that he will visit the ZNPP to assess with his own eyes "the situation with nuclear safety and security at the facility." On March 27, he met with the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelensky, who was visiting Zaporizhzhya and Dnipropetrovsk regions. Zelensky accused Russia of nuclear blackmail over control of the nuclear power plant.

Current situation on Chernobyl NPP and in the Exclusion Zone

- On March 27-28, 2023, the radiation situation at the ChNPP site was without changes. The monitored parameters of the equipment were within the boundaries set by the technological regulations. Operating personnel continues to ensure nuclear and radiation safety.

War in Ukraine

- The 399 day of the resistance of Ukraine to the Russian military invasion has ended.
- On the night of March, 27-28, an air-raid warning was announced in several of Ukraine's oblasts. Russians attacked using combat Shahed-136/131 drones and guided aerial bombs from the north and the southeast (Bryansk Oblast, Russian Federation, and the eastern coast of the Sea of Azov).
Reportedly, air defence operated in Kyiv Oblast and the east, and explosions were heard in the city of Kyiv.



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According to updated information, air defence shot down 14 out of 15 kamikaze drones and reconnaissance UAVs launched by Russia.

- According to the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, in recent days, Russia has continued to prioritise an operation attempting to encircle the Donetsk Oblast town of Avdiivka [eastern Ukraine]. However, Russian forces have made only marginal progress at the cost of heavy losses in armoured vehicles.
- In particular, Russia's 10th Tank Regiment has likely lost a large proportion of its tanks while attempting to surround Avdiivka from the south. The regiment is part of 3rd Army Corps, the first major new formation Russia stood up to support the invasion of Ukraine since August 2022.

Numerous open-source accounts suggested that 3rd Army Corps has been particularly dogged by problems with ill-discipline and poor morale. Despite a likely period of training in Belarus, the formation still appears to display limited combat effectiveness. 10th Tank Regiment's losses have likely largely been due to tactically flawed frontal assaults similar to those in other recent failed Russian armoured attacks, such as around the town of Vuhledar.

- The Russian invaders are attempting to capture the city of Bakhmut in Donetsk Oblast. The Ukrainian forces' task is to exhaust the Russian army and inflict heavy losses on it - Oleksandr Syrskyi, the Commander of the Ukrainian Ground Forces of Ukraine, said.
- Ukraine's Defence Forces are observing a decrease in hostilities in the south of Ukraine, likely connected to the fact that Russian occupation forces have lost many ammunition storage facilities and are struggling to ensure adequate supplies of ammunition to their troops. It appears that [Russian forces] cannot obtain ammunition supplies after their ammunition dump has been destroyed - Press Centre for Operational Command Pivden (South) reports.
- Russian forces are also unable to transfer additional weapons and equipment [to the area], including mortars, because our units have successfully destroyed their positions and a storm is constricting the freedom of their movement.
- The Russians attacked the territory of nine oblasts in Ukraine over the past day, killing eight civilians. Over the past day, the Russians delivered 24 air and 12 missile strikes, and carried out 55 attacks using multiple-launch rocket systems (MLRS).
- Also on March 27, as a result of a Russian rocket attack on the infrastructure of Sloviansk, Donetsk Oblast, civilians were injured and some were killed. Multi-storey buildings and private houses were damaged.
- As of the morning of March 28, 2023, the number of child casualties rose to at least 1,408. More precisely, 465 children died and over 943 received injuries of various degrees of severity.

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One person has been killed after russian attacks on Sloviansk in Donetsk Oblast [east of Ukraine] on the morning of 27 March; clearing the rubble is ongoing.



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THE UKRAINIAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY IS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES, HELPING OUR COLLEAGUES FROM NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS, REFUGEES FROM THE ZAPOROZHYE NPP, AS WELL AS OUR MEMBERS WHO JOINED THE ARMED FORCES TO DEFENDED OUR COUNTRY.

WE CONSTANTLY NEED MEDICINES, WARM AND THERMAL CLOTHING, HEATERS, BATTERIES AND POWER BANKS, GENERATORS, AS WELL AS PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND OTHER ASSISTANCE.

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