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International News

Ukraine has started using U.S. cluster munitions on battlefield: White House

Agence France-Presse KYIV

Ukrainian forces are using United States-supplied cluster munitions on the battlefield, the White House said, as Kyiv seeks momentum in its grinding counteroffensive.

Washington provided the weapons to Ukraine for the first time earlier this month as Kyiv attempts to dislodge entrenched Russian forces and retake land lost in the early months of Moscow's invasion last year.

The weapons, which disperse up to several hundred small explosive charges that can remain unexploded in the ground, are banned by many countries because of the long-term risks they pose to civilians.

Ukraine's forces started using the munitions "in the last week or so", White House National Security Council spokesman John



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Kirby told reporters on Thursday.

"They're using them appropriately, they're using them effectively and they are actually having an impact on Russia's defensive formations and Russia's defensive manoeuvring," he said.

Putin's statement Russian President Vladimir Putin said on Friday that Kyiv's counteroffensive, launched to push Russian troops back in the south

and east of Ukraine, was failing despite military and financial support from Western countries.

"In any case, there are no results yet" of the counteroffensive, Mr. Putin said in televised remarks from a meeting of the Kremlin's Security Council.

Moscow's forces still occupy swathes of southern and eastern Ukraine and over a month into Kyiv's long-anticipated counteroffensive, large parts of the front appear to be frozen.

National News

Modi raises aspirations of Tamils with Ranil

PM calls for implementation of 13th Amendment and provincial elections in the island country; Sri Lankan President lauds India for support offered during financial crisis over the past year

Ranjit Bhattacharjee NEW DELHI

India expects Sri Lanka to implement the 13th Amendment and ensure a "life of dignity and respect" for its Tamil population, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Friday.

Welcoming Sri Lankan President Ranil Wickremesinghe to India, Mr. Modi said both sides had held talks on a number of infrastructure projects that could ensure greater connectivity between the two countries.

He also announced a development assistance package for the Tamils of Indian origin who are marking the 200th anniversary of their arrival in the island nation.

"We also talked about reconstruction and reconstruction in Sri Lanka, President Wickremesinghe presented his inclusive approach. We hope that Sri Lanka will fulfil its commitment to implement the Thirteenth Amendment and to hold Provincial Council Elections," Mr.



Meeting Siles Prime Minister Narendra Modi with Sri Lankan President Wickremesinghe in New Delhi on Friday. AP

take forward the process of rebuilding for equality, justice and peace. We hope that Sri Lanka will fulfil its commitment to implement the Thirteenth Amendment and to hold Provincial Council Elections," Mr.

Modi said delivering his remarks in Hindi.

President Wickremesinghe expressed his government's "profound appreciation" for the support that India has extended to Sri Lanka over the past year, which he described as the "most challenging period in Sri Lanka's modern history".

Mr. Modi and Mr. Wickremesinghe spoke at the end of bilateral talks held at Hyderabad House where the two sides exchanged documents on cooperation in the field of animal husbandry, renewable energy, development projects in Trincomalee district in eastern Sri Lanka, and online payment services between the two sides.

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CBSE urges schools to use Indian languages for teaching

Schools must be the foundation for multilingual learning as the higher education sector has already started to respond to the recommendations of the National Education Policy, says letter

The Hindu Bureau NEW DELHI

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has written to all affiliated schools that they may consider using Indian languages as an optional medium of instruction, in addition to the other options.

The centrally prescribed using an Indian language as an option from primary classes to Class 12. "Multilingual education has been widely recognised as a valuable approach to fostering linguistic diversity, cultural understanding, and academic success among students," Joseph Emmanuel, Director (Academics), CBSE, said in the letter.

The NEP advocates for universal basic language, mother tongue, local language, or regional language as medium of instruction wherever feasible, at least until Grade 5, but preferably extending till Grade 10 and beyond," the letter said. It further emphasised the challenges to the implementation of multilingualism for young learners, particularly when they were exposed to several languages from the foundational stage.

"The policy strongly advocates for utilising the home language, mother tongue, local language, or regional language as the medium of instruction wherever feasible, at least until Grade 5, but preferably extending till Grade 10 and beyond," the letter said. It further emphasised the challenges to the implementation of multilingualism for young learners, particularly when they were exposed to several languages from the foundational stage.

Mr. Emmanuel wrote that one of the major steps in the direction of the Ministry of Education is to form the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) to prepare textbooks in the 22 Scheduled Languages of the country.

The letter also talked about the steps being taken to introduce textbooks in Indian languages for higher education. The approach towards the medium of instruction should be in continuity from school education to higher education, the letter added.

Sport News

REMARKABLE Kohli becomes fifth highest run-scorer in international cricket



Star India batter Virat Kohli on Friday surpassed South Africa's Jacques Kallis to become the fifth-highest run-scorer in international cricket history. Kohli achieved this feat on the first day of India's second Test against West Indies at Port of Spain. The game is also the former India captain's 500th international outing.

SPECIAL Of course, it's really nice to bat with Rohit bhैया, says Jaiswal



Yashvir Jaiswal batting with Rohit Sharma in his debut Test series in the Caribbean has been a revelation and the youngster credits it to the continuous interaction with the India skipper at the crease. "It's really nice to bat with Rohit bhैया. We are always talking about the situation and how we can go forward," said the opener.