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Russian Villages Lose Power After Ukraine Drone Strike

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Several villages in Russia's Kursk region bordering Ukraine lost power Tuesday morning after a Ukrainian drone dropped explosives on an electricity substation, the region's governor said.

Since Russia launched hostilities against Ukraine last year, Russian regions bordering Ukraine have repeatedly accused Kyiv's forces of attacking civilian infrastructure, including the power grid.

"In the morning, a Ukrainian drone dropped an explosive device on an electricity substation in the village of Snagost in Korenevsky District. Seven settlements were left without power," Kursk Governor Roman Starovoit said.

"None of the residents were injured. Emergency crews will start restoring power as soon as the situation allows," he added.

Snagost is a small village about 10 kilometers (six miles) from the Ukrainian border.

Ukraine does not typically claim responsibility for attacks on Russia's border regions.

The attack comes four days after Ukrainian Prime Minister Denys Shmyhal warned Russia had renewed attacks on Ukraine's own energy infrastructure, which suffered major outages last year.

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