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4 Killed in Ukrainian Attack on Kursk Region, Governor Says

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The town of Lgov in the Kursk region after Wednesday's attack. **Social media**

At least four people were killed and five others were injured in a Ukrainian attack on the town of Lgov in Russia's southwestern Kursk region, local authorities said Wednesday.

"According to preliminary reports, the barbaric shelling of peaceful Lgov by the Ukrainian Armed Forces has claimed three lives, with a fourth person succumbing to their injuries later in the hospital," acting Kursk region Governor Alexander Khinshtein wrote on Telegram.

Khinshtein said five people were hospitalized, including one woman in critical condition, and noted they were receiving "medical and psychological assistance."

Russia's Investigative Committee, which probes major crimes, alleged that the attack was carried out with U.S.-supplied HIMARS rockets.

Eyewitness video shared by state media showed an apartment block with its roof blown off, windows shattered and nearby cars crushed by debris from the building.

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Lgov, located about 70 kilometers (44 miles) east of Russia's border with Ukraine, has faced regular shelling since Ukrainian forces launched a surprise incursion into the Kursk region in early August.

The town is also situated just west of the Kursk Nuclear Power Plant, a site where Russian officials have expressed concerns about potential Ukrainian strikes.

There was no immediate comment from Russia's Defense Ministry or the Kremlin about Wednesday's attack.

Ukraine's military said earlier in the day that its forces fired on an abandoned building in Lgov allegedly being used by Russia's 810th Guards Naval Infantry Brigade.

The shelling in Kursk occurred hours after Russia's military launched a large-scale aerial strike on Ukraine, killing at least one person and leaving thousands without power due to damage to critical energy infrastructure.

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