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1. Munition

Noun

- **Meaning:**

Military weapons

- **Sentence:**

- Nato chief says Ukraine using more munitions than 'we are producing'

2. Ramp up

Phrasal Verb

- **Meaning:**

To increase the amount or level of something

- **Sentence:**

Nato needs “to ramp up production” of ammunition

3. Outstrip

Verb

- **Meaning:**

Exceed

- **Sentence:**

- as Ukraine's rate of usage is far outstripping current capacities

4. Stockpile

Noun

- **Meaning:**

A large stock of accumulated goods or material

- **Sentence:**

- Nato needs “to ramp up production” of ammunition as Ukraine’s rate of usage is far outstripping current capacities and draining stockpiles,

5. Deplete

verb

- **Meaning:**

To use up supply or resources

- **Sentence:**

- The war in Ukraine is consuming an enormous amount of munitions, and depleting allied stockpiles,”

6. Expenditure

Noun

- **Meaning:**

Use of energy, time or other resources

- **Sentence:**

- “The current rate of Ukraine’s ammunition expenditure is many times higher than our current rate of production. This puts our defence industries under strain.”

7. Replenish

verb

- **Meaning:**

To fill up something again

- **Sentence:**

- Nato members were “on the path that will enable us both to continue to support Ukraine, but also to replenish our own stocks”.

8. Offensives

Noun

- **Meaning:**

An attacking military campaign

- **Sentence:**

- Russian President Vladimir Putin is “launching new offensives”.

9. Logistics

Noun

- **Meaning:**

Logistics is the process of planning and executing the efficient transportation and storage of goods from the point of origin to the point of consumption.

- **Sentence:**

- “It is clear that we are in a race of logistics,” Stoltenberg said.

10. Seize

Verb

- **Meaning:**

Take hold of something forcibly

- **Sentence:**

- Key capabilities like ammunition, fuel, and spare parts must reach Ukraine before Russia can seize the initiative on the battlefield.

11. Hold in glove

Phrase

- **Meaning:**

In extremely close relationship

- **Sentence:**

- US Nato ambassador Julianne Smith said the alliance was looking to work “hand in glove” with industry

12. Slash

Verb

- **Meaning:**

To cut

- **Sentence:**

- US Nato ambassador Julianne Smith said the alliance was looking to work “hand in glove” with industry to ramp up output and slash production times.

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