On 20 August 2014 a landslide, triggered by heavy rains, hit Dariali Gorge (Northern Georgia). The landslide blocked the road linking Georgia with the Russian Federation and damaged a gas pipeline (North-South Pipeline) running from the Russia Federation to the Republic of Armenia via Georgia (see red line in the inset map).

According to media the gas pipeline to the Republic of Armenia will be operational in two days, while at least two weeks will be needed to reopen the road blocked.

Two people are missing and the Kazbegi-Larsi border crossing to the Russian Federation has been flooded.

The landslide struck the same area which was hit on 17 May 2014.

According to the government of Georgia the damage is significantly larger than it was in previous landslide on 17 May.

In the next 24 h heavy rains may still affect this area.

**Recent landslides in Georgia:**

On 17 May a rock/ice/snow mass collapsed in the Dariali Gorge. The collapsed material blocked the river Tergi and created a temporary dam flooding the surrounding area. At least five people were killed and about 200 people were evacuated. The landslide caused damage to the infrastructure. The North-South Pipeline was affected, suspending transit of Russian gas to the Republic of Armenia via Georgia.

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