



THE RESTRICTION ON FABLE 5 AND MYTHOS 5 AFFECTS FOREIGN NATIONALS GLOBALLY, INCLUDING USERS IN INDIA

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Telegram faces more scrutiny than WhatsApp

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WITH Telegram facing a temporary restriction in India ahead of the NEET (UG) re-examination scheduled for June 21, 2026, the messaging platform has once again come under scrutiny over its privacy features. The government cited the alleged misuse of Telegram channels and groups that promised students access to the NEET re-examination paper in exchange for money. According to reports, several channels openly advertised purported leaked question papers and charged candidates anywhere from a few thousand rupees to several lakhs.

Telegram founder and CEO Dhruv Palvo has sharply criticized the government's action, arguing that authorities are targeting the platform instead of addressing the root cause of examination malpractice. He also alleged that Reliance was blocking access to Telegram outside India. According to him, Meta has invested in Reliance and, since Meta owns WhatsApp, the move could be part of a larger competitive battle between messaging plat-

AUTHORITIES ARE TARGETING THE PLATFORM INSTEAD OF ADDRESSING THE ROOT CAUSE OF EXAMINATION MALPRACTICE



forms. The controversy raises a broader question: Why has Telegram come under the scanner of governments, and what features does it offer that make it different from rivals such as WhatsApp?

Telegram vs WhatsApp

Both Telegram and WhatsApp are free messaging apps, but they are designed for different kinds of users.

WhatsApp is mainly built for private conversations between friends, family members and small groups. Telegram, on the other hand, combines messaging with social media-like features such as large groups, public channels and cloud storage. One major difference is how messages are stored. WhatsApp uses end-to-end encryption by default for all chats and calls, meaning only the sender and receiver can read the messages. On Telegram, only "Secret Chats" have end-to-end encryption. Regular chats are stored on Telegram's cloud servers. Telegram's cloud-based system allows users to access their chats, photos and documents from multiple devices at the same time without depending on a single phone.

Anonymity: The main attraction

One of the biggest reasons for Telegram's popularity among students, businesses and large online communities is that it offers more anonymity than many other messaging apps

LARGE GROUPS

1 One of Telegram's biggest advantages is the size of its groups. While a WhatsApp group can have up to 1,024 members, a Telegram group can have as many as 2 lakh users. For example, a coaching institute, college alumni association or a large fan club can bring thousands of people together in a single group.

HIDE PHONE NUMBERS

2 On WhatsApp, your phone number is usually visible to people you interact with. Telegram allows users to create a username and chat without sharing their mobile number. For example, a student joining a public exam-preparation group can participate in discussions without revealing personal contact details.

ANONYMOUS MESSAGE FORWARDING

3 Telegram can hide the identity of the original sender when a message is forwarded. For instance, if a user shares a message in one group and someone forwards it to another group, other people may not be able to see who originally sent it.

ANONYMOUS ADMINS

4 Group administrators can choose to hide their identity while managing a group. Instead of showing their personal account name, messages can appear as if they were posted by the group

itself. This is useful for people managing very large communities.

EXTRA APP SECURITY

5 Telegram allows users to lock the app with a PIN, fingerprint or face unlock. This means that even if someone gets access to your phone, they may still not be able to open Telegram without the additional security check.

SELF-DESTRUCTING ACCOUNTS

6 Telegram can automatically delete an account if it remains inactive for a long period. For example, if a user does not log in for several months, the account and its stored data can be removed automatically.

LARGE FILE SHARING

7 Telegram is popular because it allows users to send large files, including videos, documents and presentations, directly through the app. For example, a teacher can share a full lecture video or study material with students without using another file-sharing service.

BOTS AND AUTOMATION

8 Telegram supports automated tools called bots. These bots can send news updates, answer questions, conduct polls, provide weather information or help manage large groups. For example, a news channel can use a bot to automatically send breaking news alerts to subscribers

US restricts access to Anthropic's advanced AI models

HOW WILL THE CURBS ON FABLE 5 AND MYTHOS 5 AFFECT INDIA?

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A report has sparked debate across the technology world after the US government imposed emergency export controls on Anthropic's most advanced AI models, Fable 5 and Mythos 5. Under the directive, access to the models would be restricted to the US, making them unavailable to foreign nationals and organisations outside the country.

The restrictions were imposed due to national security and cybersecurity concerns related to the advanced capabilities of the Mythos system. Following the directive, Anthropic was forced to disable access to the models for foreign users, businesses and developers worldwide, including those in India. The development has raised several questions about the capabilities of these AI systems and what their restriction could mean for countries such as India.

What are Fable 5 and Mythos 5?

Anthropic recently launched its next-generation "Mythos-class" AI architecture. The company offers the technology in two versions. Claude Fable 5 is the commercial version available to developers and businesses and includes extensive safety guardrails designed to block harmful requests.

Claude Mythos 5, meanwhile, is described as a more unrestricted version with many of the safety filters removed. It is reportedly available only to a small group of vetted researchers and cybersecurity professionals through a programme called Project Glasswing. According to the company, these models represent a major leap in AI capability, with the ability to work autonomously on complex engineering and coding problems for hours without losing focus.

Unlike older AI models that are designed mainly for short conversations and quick responses, the Fable and Mythos series is built for what Anthropic calls Endurance. In simple terms, the models can handle large and complicated tasks for extended periods without drifting off track.

According to the report, payment com-



pany Stripe used the technology to completely rewrite a 50-million-line software project in a single day, a task that would normally take a team of engineers several months to complete. Another major feature is memory. The models reportedly have a one-million-token context window, allowing them to read, remember and analyse thousands of pages of documents, financial statements, charts and reports at the same time.

Why did the US impose restrictions?

According to the report, researchers discovered a "jailbreak" technique shortly after launch. The method allegedly allowed users to bypass some of Fable 5's safety protections through carefully crafted prompts.

The report claims the technique enabled the AI model to analyse software code and identify hidden vulnerabilities. Amazon's CEO reportedly brought these findings to the attention of senior officials in the Trump administration. Concerned that foreign governments or state-sponsored hackers could exploit the technology to develop automated cyberattack tools against critical infrastructure, the White House reportedly issued an emergency export-control order citing national security concerns.

Impact on India

The restriction on Fable 5 and Mythos 5 affects foreign nationals globally, including users in India. For India, the impact could be significant, as several IT companies, technology startups and cybersecurity researchers had reportedly integrated Fable 5 into their workflows. The restrictions could disrupt ongoing projects and limit access to advanced AI capabilities.

In addition, because the restrictions reportedly apply to non-US citizens worldwide, some American technology companies operating Global Capability Centres (GCCs) in India may be required to block access to the models for their Indian employees.

The development has also reignited discussions around India's technological self-reliance. Several industry leaders have argued that dependence on foreign AI infrastructure leaves Indian companies vulnerable to geopolitical decisions taken abroad.

TECHNOLOGY BUZZ

Data privacy tops smartphone resale concerns among Indians

Nearly 74% of Indians are worried about the misuse of their personal data after selling or exchanging their smartphones, according to a survey by Cashify. The survey, which covered 8,000 respondents, found that smartphone resale has become common, with 56.6% of people saying they have sold or exchanged a device. However, concerns over data security remain high. About 45.3% of respondents said data privacy and security are the most important factors when choosing where to sell their smartphone, while only 29.5% said price was their top priority. The survey also revealed that although 83.3% of users perform a factory reset before selling their phones, many are not confident that it completely removes personal information. Around 31% said they had successfully recovered deleted data from a smartphone.

Push for more Wi-Fi spectrum to improve connectivity

Industry leaders and government officials on Thursday called for greater support for public Wi-Fi networks and further delicensing of the 6 GHz spectrum band to improve broadband connectivity across India. The demand was raised at a conference organised by the Broadband India Forum (BIF) on World Wi-Fi Day 2026. The event focused on the role of next-generation Wi-Fi technologies, including Wi-Fi 6E and Wi-Fi 7, in expanding broadband access and supporting India's digital economy. Senior officials from the Department of Telecommunications (DoT), TRAI, RailTel, the Wi-Fi Alliance and other technology organisations participated in the discussions.



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