

SpaceX to test its Super Heavy Booster rocket

US commercial aerospace company SpaceX has announced they're to flight test the Super Heavy booster part of its "Starship" Launch System.

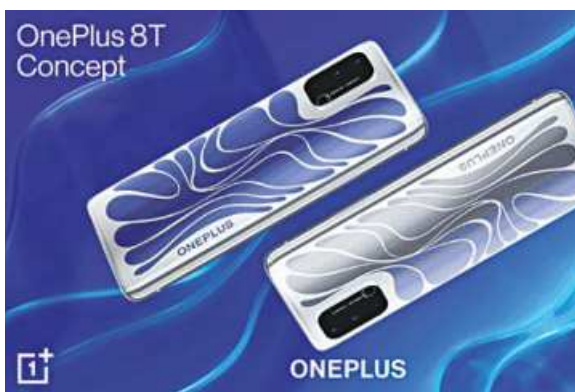
On Twitter, the company's CEO and founder Elon Musk noted that they are planning to make use of both of its launch pads at its Boca Chica development facility, with test starting as quickly as "a few months".

Starship, previously known as the "Interplanetary Launch System" is a two-part superheavy rocket system designed to carry a large payload into orbit. The eventual goal of this system is to carry colonists to Mars. Recently, the SN8 prototype of the crewed part of



the system successfully flew to an altitude of around 40,000 feet and then executed a crucial belly flop

maneuver. Although the unit was lost upon landing, SpaceX considers that test to be a major success.



OnePlus' new concept phone changes color to communicate with its user

Chinese smartphone manufacturer OnePlus' has unveiled a new concept phone capable of changing its body's colors.

Named the 8T Concept, the back of the phone is coated with an "Electronic Color, Material and Finish" (ECMF) film. When voltage is applied, the film changes from dark blue to light silver. Additionally, the phone can use mmWave technology to capture a user's breathing pattern and can apply the same pattern to its ECMF film.

The company claims their designers "took inspiration for these colors from the multi-hued flowing water in the hot springs of Pamukkale, Turkey.", and by "drawing inspiration from Pamukkale and other natural elements, we can craft new interaction experiences that are more natural, intuitive, and effortless."

Oneplus suggests the technology can be used to notify the user of incoming calls, messages, and other updates.

Realme rolls out the narzo 20 smartphone in Bangladesh

Chinese smartphone maker Realme has officially launched the narzo 20 smartphone through an online launching event on Monday, December 28th.

3-finger screenshot, dark mode soothing and a lot more. The new UI will also enable better battery backup with super power-saving mode. The Dual Mode Music



The latest phone of the narzo series, the 20 features the Helio G85 processor, 48 MP AI triple camera on the back and a 6,000mAh battery with Type-C 18W quick charge. The phone's 6.5-inch mini-drop display has an 88.7% screen-to-body-ratio while the AI triple camera with big aperture can capture low light photos.

The Helio chipset is optimized with upgraded Realme UI and comes with

Share to enjoy the same song or video in more than one device. It also has a Focus Mode to isolate from all the noises of the outer world and relax.

In contrast to the previously launched entry-level C series smartphones, the narzo series focuses on powerful gaming at a more accessible price point. The narzo 20 will be released in two colours —Silver Sword and Blue Blade—, with an asking price of BDT 13,990.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Bring it on

Wow. That went fast. 2020 was a blur of "will it, won't it" questions. Everything we knew went flying in the wind. We had to relearn how to live and survive. Thank you but no thank you, Covid.

Except, it shook us out of our complacency. We learned to be more efficient. We spent more time with family, not to mention perhaps also fight more than before. But we grew closer to family, no doubt. And youth groups stepped up to offer fast solutions to problems that no one faced before.

Will we survive? Here we are at the new starting point. It's all about doing more with much less.

We definitely grew up in 2020. So here's to some more.

Bring it on.

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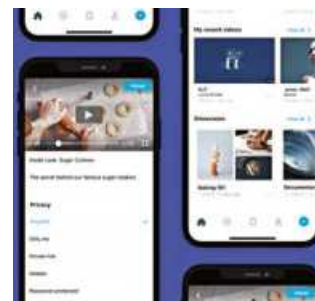
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