

# Is mobile gaming in Bangladesh READY FOR THE NEXT LEVEL?

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**Mobile gaming, competitive or professional, has far-reaching impacts on the social lives of young gamers. However, this impact has never felt more evident than during the Covid-19 pandemic.**

Mobile gaming has been around for a long time, since 1994 to be exact, when the world was introduced to a simplified version of Tetris on the Hagenuk MT-2000's 1.5-inch display. However, it was not until three years later in 1997, when Nokia released its famous Snake game for selected devices, that mobile gaming really took off.

Snake was embedded in over 400 million mobile devices, which made it the most played game not just in handheld phones, but across all other consoles as well.

Fast forward to 2022, and mobile gaming has taken an entirely different form. The changes in this form of portable gaming did not take place overnight, though. It took the world almost two decades to witness just how advanced and captivating mobile gaming can actually be.

There was a time when mobile gaming in Bangladesh was limited to whatever came pre-installed on feature phones.

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