

# Meta launches Meta Pay: future wallet for the metaverse

Meta is officially changing the name of Facebook Pay to Meta Pay, and is planning on making it the digital wallet for the metaverse. The announcement was made by Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg on his official Facebook page recently.

Meta Pay will retain the basic functionalities of its previous version, Facebook Pay, including the options to shop online and send money on Meta platforms such as Facebook, Messenger, Instagram and WhatsApp.

According to Zuckerberg, Meta Pay is being planned to be used as a wallet for the metaverse, which will allow users to not only control payment options in virtual reality worlds but also securely manage their personal identity online.

Zuckerberg also added that Meta is planning on adding a shop that will support Meta Pay, from which users can buy items such as artwork,



music, clothes and access to virtual events. He said that transactions through Meta Pay will also ensure proof of ownership for purchased items, which can be used across the different services run by Meta.

Meta also plans on making digital

transactions smoother by introducing easier methods of using metaverse currency, as well as building better opportunities for content creators through the promotion of digital goods that can be purchased exclusively in the metaverse.

## Samsung Galaxy Z Flip 3 excels in durability test

Samsung's flagship smartphone Samsung Galaxy Z Flip 3 has recently shown impressive results in a durability test. According to the test, the smartphone withstood a minimum of 4,18,000 complete and successful folds and unfolds.

The durability test was performed by the Polish tech reviewer MrKeybrd on a live YouTube stream from June 8 to June 13. After fold number 4,18,503, the device showed issues



opening and closing - the point at which the test concluded. However, even after that many folds, the display

was unaffected and showed no issues.

It was estimated from the experiment that the Samsung Galaxy Z Flip 3 can withstand around five years of continued usage, amounting to a minimum of 100 folds and unfolds per day and a minimum of 2,00,000 complete folds overall.

Samsung Galaxy Z Flip 3 also features a 6.7-inch FHD+ display, 8 GB RAM, 256 GB memory and 3,300 mAh battery.

### EDITOR'S NOTE

## Cars, cars, everywhere

Would it be an overstatement to say that we all love cars? And when the newest automobiles are gathered under one roof, who wouldn't be excited? Check out our Cover Story spread for this year's Dhaka Motor Show, and find out which new cars and motorbikes were revealed.

On other pages, we have a mini-refrigerator product guide on Bytes and a guide on how to build a career in the development sector on Next Step. Variety for everyone.

Stay safe everyone. Until then.

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# WhatsApp rolls out tons of new features

WhatsApp recently added a number of new features, including the ability to mute people during group calls, as per reports via Android Central. This sanity-saving feature appears to be useful not only for muting people who forget to do so, but also if you're in the same room as someone else on the call and don't want to hear an echo of their words.

While some conferencing apps, such as Zoom and Microsoft Teams, allow hosts to mute all (or specific) participants, most don't allow individual users to mute who they want during a call. This feature adds a new level of control, but it's probably best reserved for tumultuous meetings with up to 8

people on video calls, or up to 32 on voice calls.

In addition to the new muting feature, WhatsApp now allows you to message specific people while on a group call, which is useful if you need to send a note to someone or crack a joke that might not go over well with the entire group. WhatsApp is also introducing a new banner that will notify you when someone joins a call after it has already begun.

WhatsApp also announced that you can now control who sees your profile photo, about, and last seen status, which shows when you were last active on the platform.

