What is BSOD (Blue Screen of Death)

BSOD is a **critical system error screen** shown by Windows when the system encounters a fatal error it cannot recover from without restarting.

Topic: Blue Screen of Death (BSOD)

- Types of BSOD:
 - **1. Immediate crash** Within 10 seconds, the system gives a BSOD.
 - 2. Delayed crash System works for 3–5 minutes before crashing.
- Possible Reasons:
 - Recent hardware changes
 - Latest software/driver updates
 - Bad sectors in the hard disk
- Heading: Steps for Troubleshooting

Troubleshooting Steps Continued (mixed with Bengali):

- 3. If BSOD appears after 3–5 minutes:
 - Press Win + R, type msconfig.
 - \circ Go to Services tab \rightarrow check Hide all Microsoft services \rightarrow Click Disable All.
 - This performs a Clean Boot.
 - Also go to Control Panel > Programs and Features or Settings > Apps.
 - Uninstall recent or suspicious applications.
 - 4. This helps if a third-party app is causing BSOD.

More Troubleshooting Tips:

- 4. Use cmd (Command Prompt) to fix HDD bad sectors:
 - Type: chkdsk, then sfc /scannow
 - o These commands check for disk and system file issues and fix them.
- 5. Run the Malicious Software Removal Tool:
 - Press Windows + R, type mrt.

Choose Full Scan to detect and remove malware.

✓ Summary of Actionable Steps:

- 1. Check for QR code on BSOD for specific error info.
- 2. Clean Boot using msconfig to disable non-Microsoft services.
- 3. Uninstall recent/suspicious apps.
- 4. Use **chkdsk** and **sfc /scannow** to repair disk/system files.
- 5. Use **MRT tool** to remove malware.

Types of BSOD

Type 1:

- BSOD appears within 10 seconds of starting the system.
- You don't get enough time to use the system.

• Type 2:

• The system runs for **3 to 5 minutes**, then shows BSOD.

↑ Common Reasons for BSOD

- 1. **Recent hardware changes** e.g., installing new RAM, GPU, etc.
- 2. Latest Windows updates or driver/software updates.
- 3. Bad sectors in the hard disk (HDD/SSD corruption or failure).

Troubleshooting Steps

✓ Step 1: Read QR Code on BSOD Screen

- When BSOD appears, **note the QR code** or the **STOP error code**.
- Use your phone to scan the QR code for Microsoft's explanation and possible solutions.

☑ Step 2: Perform a Clean Boot (For Type 2 BSOD – appears after a few minutes)

- 1. Press Windows + R.
- 2. Type $msconfig \rightarrow Press Enter$.
- Go to the Services tab.
- 4. Check the box "Hide all Microsoft services".
- 5. Click "Disable all".
- 6. Go to **Startup** tab \rightarrow Open **Task Manager** \rightarrow Disable unnecessary startup programs.
- 7. Click **Apply** → Restart the computer.
- 8. This will start Windows with only essential Microsoft services, which helps identify third-party conflicts.

Step 3: Uninstall Recently Installed Apps

- Open Control Panel or Settings > Apps.
- 2. Click on "Programs and Features".
- 3. Look for any recently installed software.
- 4. Right-click and select Uninstall.
 - Especially uninstall any app that was installed just before BSODs began.

Step 4: Fix Disk Errors

- Press Windows + R, type cmd, then press Ctrl + Shift + Enter to open as Administrator.
- 2. Run the following commands one by one:

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chkdsk /f /r
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- This checks for and repairs bad sectors on the hard drive.
- You may be asked to schedule it on next reboot type Y.

sfc /scannow

This scans and repairs corrupted system files.

✓ Step 5: Scan for Malware

- 1. Press Windows + R, type mrt, press Enter.
- 2. This opens the Microsoft Malicious Software Removal Tool.
- 3. Select Full Scan.
- 4. Run the scan it may take a while.
- 5. Remove any threats it finds.

Final Step: Restart and Observe

- After completing the above steps, **restart your computer**.
- Use the system normally and check if BSOD appears again.

📝 Optional Extra Tips:

- **Update Drivers**: Use Device Manager to update graphics, network, and storage drivers.
- Check RAM: Use Windows Memory Diagnostic to test your RAM for errors.
- **System Restore**: Roll back to a system restore point before BSOD started (if enabled).