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WhatsApp Group Shared Location New Feature

This new feature update will enable WhatsApp to improve its relationship with users and position itself as a support for planning meetings with friends, whether a car ride, exploring a city, a running club, or simply defining a meeting point where people will gather.

This update consists of:
- Simultaneous location sharing

This feature will allow any WhatsApp user to:
- Create groups with shared locations
- Determine the duration of the shared location
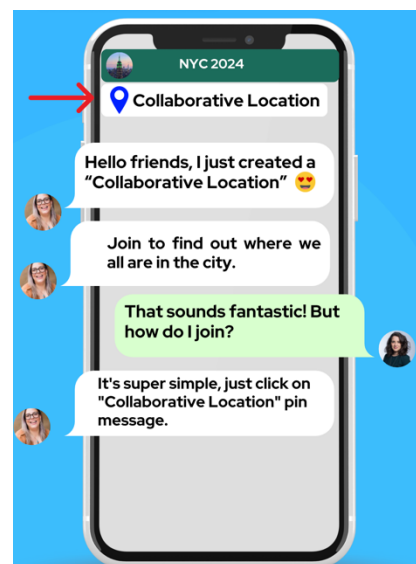- Add shared location to existing groups

With this feature, users can create shared locations in existing groups or create specific groups to share a location, such as a road trip or a city visit. In turn, the sharing time can be determined in hours or days to encompass all types of activities.

This eliminates the need to request the real-time location of your friends individually, as it will be pinned in the group for the determined duration.

This will allow users greater ease, security, and flexibility when they are on any type of trip, running club, or event, promoting collaboration and unity among users, and positioning WhatsApp even more with users.

Note:
- For a group user to see the location of other members, the user has to share their own.
- The group administrator can remove users from the shared location session.

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Extra Features

These extra features works in harmony with the one mentioned above
Here, the user can set a designated arrival point or destination for the entire group, specify arrival times, and suggest secondary places or meeting points in case the group needs to move, start the trip, the run or to pick up someone else.
This will facilitate communication, encourage dialogue, and enhance the overall experience for all users when using the application.

These features are:
- Setting meeting points
- Alarms and timers

Setting meeting points

At the beginning, the user can determine a location to establish the first meeting point for the trip. However, additional users can also add new meeting points for activities such as having a meal, picking someone up along the way, stopping at gas stations, restrooms, or even a bar for later. The focus is also on being able to pinpoint places to eat or visit in cities, tourist centers, etc.
Selecting these places will be as easy as clicking on the location and designating them as a meeting point.

Timers and Alarms

Timers, help us manage the day effectively by scheduling lunch, meeting points, or determining the time to leave. Timers will appear within the chat and send a notification to all participants when they are about to expire.
We know that not everything always goes smoothly during a trip, that's why emergency alarms will be added. These allow any user to send a push alert signal to all trip participants, notifying them of any type of problem, accident, or emergency.