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## Google Outage caused due to backlash at US NSA Prism

Google witnessed a third major outage in 2013 after most of its services went berserk on Wednesday morning. Services like Gmail, Google Calendar, Google Drive, Google Docs and Google spreadsheets were out of services for almost one hour. Angry users of Google services vented their anxiety on twitter and some even went to an extent of disclosing that they were vexed with the services and were about to move on to a new one.....hmmm may be Yahoo.

As per Google's Status dashboard the company first reported the problem at 9:58am and apologized for the inconvenience caused to its users. At around 10:50am Google again turned up and said that its services were back on track.

However, this was not evident in practical as twitter messages poured in still saying that the services were still inaccessible. It was from 11:30am that the messages lashing at Google stopped as most of the users were able to access the services and hence the outage can be termed as a 90 minutes outage on an overall note.

Though, Google did not turn up with a proper explanation for the outage on its dashboard yet, reports are flooding in that the outage was caused by malware which was induced by those who were opposing US Prism Program.

But Google authorities neither denied nor confirmed these media reports gained from different media sources. But at around 12:15pm a reliable source from Google confirmed that the outage was caused due to a hardware glitch and not due to some malware attack.

Anyway, an official confirmation on this issue is awaited and more details on the cause of the outage will be updated shortly.

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