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# The 'LGBT Trump Fallacy' Exists Because The Media Created And Promoted It

04/18/2017 11:37 am ET | Updated 2 days ago The 'LGBT Trump Fallacy' Exists Because The Media Created And Promoted It The "narrative" began at the New York Times. Chip Somodevilla via Getty Images 800 This week, the New York Times published an editorial headlined, "The L.G.B.T Trump Fallacy," in which the editorial board explained that, "the nomination of several key officials [within the Trump administration], who have disparaged the L.G.B.T. community and sought to curtail the rights of its members, has exposed the narrative that Mr. Trump would be a champion of gay and transgender people as a fallacy." Better late than never, some would say, since many of us across a variety of media have been pointing out the virulent homophobes named to the cabinet and other jobs for months, including during the transition, while the Times, both in news coverage and opinion pieces, hardly covered the topic. But what's especially grating about the Times editorial is the line about how these nominations have "exposed the narrative that Mr. Trump would be a champion of gay and transgender people as a fallacy." How did that "narrative" begin? According to the Times editorial, it happened after Trump unfurled a rainbow flag onstage during a rally in October of last year. "It didn't take long for prominent gay Republicans to proclaim that the Republican Party had, at long last, turned a corner on gay rights under Mr. Trump," the editorial stated. Really? This was, at best, a complete oversight by the editorial board, whose writers clearly hadn't been following these events more closely throughout the campaign. Because those of us who followed the campaign, and particularly covered LGBT issues, know precisely where the "narrative" was hatched: In The New York Times itself, on April 22, of 2016, with a story headlined, "Donald Trump's More Accepting Views on Gay Issues Set Him Apart in G.O.P." The piece, by Times political reporter Maggie Haberman, offered what several LGBT journalists and commentators saw as weak evidence of this claim, and I wrote about it in detail at the time, also pointing to how superficial the evidence was. Haberman defended her piece on Twitter, saying it was more so about Trump's "history," particularly, it seemed, since the story's hook became dated literally within hours of her publishing it: Trump had seemed to come out against North Carolina's horrendous anti-LGBT law ■ the hook for the story ■ only to flip-flop a day later and say that states should have the right to pass such laws. The Times piece stuck, exemplifying the power of the paper in setting a "narrative," and from that point on, in story after story in other publications and on cable news, Trump was portrayed as pro-LGBTQ. This, in spite of his courting of religious conservatives and his promises to them to roll back LGBT rights and marriage equality specifically, promising to appoint justices to the Supreme Court who would overturn the Obergefell ruling, which he opposed. Over the following months I wrote piece after piece taking on the narrative, as did other commentators, but it was to no avail. The media stuck to the narrative, blowing it up when Trump said something that fit it I like using the initialism "LGBTQ" at the GOP convention and ignoring his various sit-downs with evangelical media or appearances with anti-LGBTQ groups in which he promoted an anti-LGBTQ agenda. Of course, gay Republicans were backing him ■ they back just about every Republican candidate in spite of the candidate's opposition to LGBTQ rights but that was happening well before Trump unfurled a rainbow flag in October. No, gay Republicans were not responsible for creating the "LGBT Trump Fallacy." It's great to see the Times editorial page taking on the "fallacy," but the least it could have done was explain how the "narrative" truly began. ALSO ON HUFFPOST Michelangelo Signorile Queer Voices Editor-at-Large, The Huffington Post MORE:

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## Paris police say officer and attacker shot, killed

PARIS (AP) -- A gunman opened fire on police on Paris' iconic Champs-Elysees boulevard Thursday night, killing one officer and wounding three people before police shot and killed him. The Islamic State group quickly claimed responsibility for the attack, which hit just three days before a tense presidential election. Security already has been a dominant theme in the campaign, and the violence on the sparkling avenue threatened to weigh on voters' decisions. Candidates canceled or rescheduled final campaign events ahead of Sunday's first round vote. Investigators searched a home early Friday in an eastern suburb of Paris believed linked to the attack. A police document obtained by The Associated Press identifies the address searched in the town of Chelles as the family home of Karim Cheurfi, a 39-year-old with a criminal record. Police tape surrounded the quiet, middle-class neighborhood in Chelles, and worried neighbors expressed surprise at the searches. Archive reports by French newspaper Le Parisien say that Cheurfi was convicted of attacking a police officer in 2001. Authorities are trying to determine whether "one or more people" might have helped the attacker, Interior Ministry spokesman Pierre-Henry Brandet told reporters at the scene of the shooting. One officer was killed and two police officers were seriously wounded when the attacker emerged from a car and used an automatic weapon to shoot at officers outside a Marks & Spencer's department store at the center of the Champs-Elysees, anti-terrorism prosecutor Francois Molins said. A female foreign tourist also was wounded, Molins said. The Islamic State group's claim of responsibility just a few hours after the attack came unusually swiftly for the extremist group, which has been losing territory in Iraq and Syria. In a statement from its Amaq news agency, the group gave a pseudonym for the shooter, Abu Yusuf al-Beljiki, indicating he was Belgian or had lived in Belgiam. Belgian authorities said they had no information about the suspect. IS described the shootings as an attack "in the heart of Paris." The attacker had been flagged as an extremist, according to two police officials, speaking on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to publicly discuss the investigation. Brandet said officers were "deliberately" targeted, as has happened repeatedly to French security forces in recent years, including preceding the 2012 election. Police and soldiers sealed off the area, ordering tourists back into hotels and blocking people from approaching the scene. Emergency vehicles blocked the wide Champs-Elysees, an avenue lined with boutiques and normally packed with cars and tourists that cuts across central Paris between the Arc de Triomphe and the Tuileries Gardens. Subway stations were closed off. The gunfire sent scores of tourists fleeing into side streets. "They were running, running," said 55-year-old Badi Ftaïti, who lives in the area. "Some were crying. There were tens, maybe even hundreds of them." French President Francois Hollande said he was convinced the circumstances of the attack in a country pointed to a terrorist act. Hollande held an emergency meeting with the prime minister Thursday night and planned to convene the defense council Friday morning. The incident recalled two recent attacks on soldiers providing security at prominent locations around Paris: one at the Louvre museum in February and one at Orly airport last month. Speaking in Washington during a news conference with Italian Prime Minister Paolo Gentiloni, U.S. President Donald Trump said the shooting "looks like another terrorist attack" and sent condolences to France. A French television station hosting an event with the 11 candidates running for president briefly interrupted its broadcast to report the shootings. Conservative contender Francois Fillon, who has campaigned against "Islamic totalitarianism," said on France 2 television that he was canceling his planned campaign stops Friday. Far-right candidate Marine Le Pen, who campaigns against immigration and Islamic fundamentalism, took to Twitter to offer her sympathy for law enforcement officers "once again targeted." She canceled a minor campaign stop, but scheduled another. Centrist candidate Emmanuel Macron offered his thoughts to the family of the dead officer. Socialist Benoit Hamon tweeted his "full support" to police against terrorism. The two top finishers in Sunday's election will advance to a runoff on May 7. \_\_\_ Associated Press Writers Angela Charlton and Raphael Satter in Paris, Jeff Schaeffer and Nadine Achoui-Lesage in Chelles, France, and Raf Casert in Brussels contributed to this report.

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# Kris Has 'Never Been So Angry' After Reading Caitlyn Jenner's Book

View photos Caitlyn Jenner and Kris Jenner at the 2015 Victoria's Secret Fashion Show. (Photo: Dimitrios Kambouris/Getty Images for Victoria's Secret) More Caitlyn Jenner is spilling all the (alleged) tea in her upcoming memoir, and her ex-wife Kris Jenner isn't having it. In a clip for Sunday's Keeping Up With the Kardashians, Kris vents to daughters Khloé and Kim after reading an advanced copy of The Secrets of My Life . "I read it, and basically the only nice thing she had to say was that I was great socially at a party one time," Kris, who was married to Bruce for 22 years, tells her daughters. "None of it makes sense. Everything she says is all made up. Why does everything have to be that Kris is such a b\*\*\*\* and an a\*\*hole?" It's been about two years since the gold medal-winning Olympian publicly transitioned from Bruce to Caitlyn. Since then, one of the biggest points of contention between Kris and Caitlyn has been over when Kris knew about her former husband's gender identity struggle. That is brought up again in Caitlyn's book. "I was curious and said, 'What the hell is going on?" Kris, 61, reflects on pressing Bruce years ago. "She said, 'You just would never understand.' And then, all through the book, Kris knew. 'Kris knew before I even made love to her.' I'm like, "What?" That's not all Caitlyn has to say about their intimate life. In an excerpt obtained by People , she describes the sex as "imbued with love" but admits she wasn't "entirely comfortable" with the act. View photos Bruce and Kris Jenner were married for 22 years. (Photo: Beck Starr/FilmMagic) More "We fall in love quickly (we marry after seven months)," Caitlyn writes . "Since — let's not kid ourselves — everyone wants to know, Kris and I have good and frequent sex at the beginning." She continues, "I tell Kris about my gender issues before I make love to her. This will always be a subject of dispute between us. She insists that she was taken by surprise by my ultimate transition to Caitlyn, which obviously means in her mind that she did not know enough," Caitlyn, 67, adds she dressed as a woman a number of times in front of Kris, All that info apparently is enough for Kris to be "done" with Caitlyn, "I've never been so angry and disappointed in someone in my whole life," Kris says on Sunday's Keeping Up . "I'm not going to be used as a person who benefits someone else's life just to make them look better. I just can't sit back and be an enabler anymore." The Secrets of My Life hits shelves on April 25. Read more from Yahoo Celebrity: • Melissa Etheridge: 'I'd Much Rather Have a Smoke With My Grown Kids Than a Drink' • Jim Carrey Joins the Crazy-Man Beard Club • Jessica Simpson's Family Photos: Party of Four!

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#### Chelsea partly blame virus for off-colour display against Manchester United | Football

Chelsea's uncharacteristically off-colour performance at Manchester United on Sunday has been put down partly to a bug that affected members of Antonio Conte's squad and ruled Marco Alonso out of the game at Old Trafford. Can other teams copy José Mourinho's template for nullifying Chelsea? | Michael Cox Read more Alonso was still suffering the effects of the virus on Saturday night and, despite being named in the starting lineup at United, complained of feeling ill after the pre-match warm-up. Chelsea's medical staff assessed him in the away changing room and the wing-back was withdrawn from the team, with the league leaders going on to lose the match 2-0 to leave their advantage at the top trimmed to four points from Tottenham Hotspur with six games left to play. Alonso's late withdrawal forced César Azpilicueta to fill in on the left, with Kurt Zouma drafted in as a right-sided full-back and it clearly affected the balance of Conte's team. Yet Alonso was not the only Chelsea player still suffering from the virus which had set in within the squad towards the end of last week. One theory that has been considered by the club is that the bug had spread through the squad at a team bonding meal – one of a number arranged by Conte over the course of the season to strengthen the group - last Thursday evening. Victor Moses, only just returned from a calf injury, had also been hampered and, having started the game, had to be withdrawn nine minutes into the second half prompting further disruption to the visitors' approach. Diego Costa is understood to have been unwell and, like Moses and Alonso, had missed training at the back end of last week prior to his side's trip to the north-west. John Terry seeks Premier League stay after announcing plan to leave Chelsea Read more The striker declared himself fit but struggled to make much of an impact during the game, embroiled as he was from early on in tussles with Eric Bailly and Marcos Rojo in the hosts' back-line. Costa, who was eventually booked for a foul on Paul Pogba, has failed to score in five consecutive Premier League games for the first time in his career in English football - his last club goal was at West Ham in the first week of March. While Conte has consistently praised the Spain international's work rate over recent weeks, he appeared to lack his normal energy levels at times on Sunday. The hope at Chelsea is the trio will be fit to play in the FA Cup semi-final against Spurs on Saturday, when the league leaders hope to inflict psychological damage on their nearest rivals in the title race. Yet the effects of the bug were still being felt at Cobham even on Tuesday when Gary Cahill reported unwell. Thibaut Courtois, who hurt his ankle while playing basketball at a Chelsea promotional shoot for the NBA last week, is hopeful he will have proved his fitness for the Cup tie at Wembley. Topics Chelsea Antonio Conte Diego Costa news

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# **Viral Photo From NYC Subway Captures America At Its Best**

04/19/2017 01:48 pm ET | Updated 23 hours ago Viral Photo From NYC Subway Captures America At Its Best "This is my America: people letting people be people." 3.5k A photo going viral on social media has people cheering on diversity in the U.S. On Sunday, native New Yorker Jackie Summers posted a photo on Facebook and Twitter that appears to show a Jewish man and woman sitting on a New York City subway car next to a Muslim woman in a hijab holding a baby. The caption Summers wrote on Facebook reads: "A Taoist (me) gives up his seat so a Hasidic couple could sit together. They scoot over so a Muslim mother could sit and nurse her baby, on Easter Sunday. This is my America: people letting people be people." The Facebook post had garnered more than 75,000 reactions and 58,000 shares by Wednesday afternoon. People commented on the photo to celebrate the diversity that it reflects, and what that means for the country. "THIS, is what makes America great and these days I've been struggling to find ways to feel good about America," one person wrote on Facebook . "We, the people...Thank you for restoring a little of my faith in humanity today, Jackie. " "This gives me JOY! I will always pray that we as a nation might become ONE as we embrace each other & our differences!" another person commented on Twitter . "A Beautiful Tapestry!" Summers said the photo, which he took on the F train after leaving dim sum brunch, simply captures an everyday moment in his city and country. It's worth noting that he didn't ask the riders' permission to take or post the image, as he said that would have "felt forced and staged." "The moment is extraordinary in its ordinariness: common courtesy as an afterthought is

the NYC and the America I was raised to believe in," Summers told The Huffington Post in an email. "Given the age of divisiveness we live in, it seems people are looking at this photo as a reason to put issues like race, religion, and sex aside to focus on more important issues relevant to peaceful coexistence." Since the election of President Donald Trump, several interactions on the New York City subway have garnered nationwide attention for highlighting diversity and division in the U.S.: In February, for example, subway riders were photographed cleaning swastikas off of a train's walls, and in March, a young Latina woman was filmed shutting down a fellow rider's xenophobic rant. "As the grandchild of immigrants, my ancestors believed America to be a place where the possibility of equity existed," Summers said. "While it's clear we still have a long way to go to achieve that goal, I and people like me across this nation are fighting every day to see that end." For HuffPost's #LoveTakesAction series, we're telling stories of how people are standing up to hate and supporting those most threatened. Know a story from your community? Send news tips to lovetips@ huffingtonpost.com . ALSO ON HUFFPOST 11 Dolls Besides Barbie That Celebrate Diversity 11 Dolls Besides Barbie That Celebrate Diversity 1 11 Malaville dolls These dolls were created by international model Mala Bryan to showcase the different shades and curl patterns of black girls. They also sport some vibrant African- and Caribbean-inspired outfits. Share this slide:

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# Philippines wind farm generates power, jobs and curious tourists

PILILLA, Philippines (Reuters) - Wind turbines are helping the Philippines diversify its energy sources beyond fossil fuels and generating not only power, but jobs, revenue and interest among thousands of curious tourists. On the hills of Rizal province east of the capital Manila, 340,000 visitors have hit the viewing deck of Pililla town's wind farm since it opened to the public last year, photographing and marveling at its 27 white wind turbines that stand 125 meters (410 feet) high on a 4,500-hectare site. Wind power is slowly taking off in the Philippines, which faces a huge challenge to find cheaper, cleaner and more efficient ways to power what is one of the world's fastest growing economies and a swelling population of over 100 million people. It's proving a draw for this province and supporting livelihoods too, with 300 people working at the farm and a further 45 making wooden souvenirs of mini turbines the size of hand-held fans. "A lot of people can see the beauty of the Philippines," said tourist Christian Lagaja. "Here, the air is fresh and people are benefiting from the electricity it generates." Wind energy is a work in progress and farms like this produce only a fraction of the country's installed capacity of 20,055 megawatts, which the energy minister recently said needs to double by 2030 to meet demand. Power in the Philippines at present is generated 34 percent by coal, 34 percent by oil and gas and 32 percent from renewable sources, among them wind, biomass, hydropower and solar. (Reporting by Ronn Bautista; Writing by Martin Petty; Editing by Michael Perry)

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# Video Appears to Show Egyptian Soldiers Killing Unarmed Men in Sinai - The New York Times

Continue reading the main story Photo An image from a video, released on Thursday through a Muslim Brotherhood channel, appears to show Egyptian soldiers summarily executing unarmed detainees in the Sinai Peninsula. Credit Mekameleen TV, via Youtube A video has emerged that appears to show members of the Egyptian military shooting unarmed detainees to death at point-blank range in the Sinai Peninsula and staging the killings to look as if they had happened in combat. The leaked video, which was posted on social media on Thursday, could undercut claims made by the Egyptian Army in December that the men were suspected terrorists who died in a fight with the military. The video was released the same day that Defense Secretary Jim Mattis met in Egypt with its president, Abdel Fattah el-Sisi, to discuss improving their countries' military relationship. It also comes after human rights groups accused the Egyptian military of killing up to 10 men in January in a staged counterterrorism raid in Sinai. The three-minute video, which was released through a channel associated with the Muslim Brotherhood, appears to depict part of a raid that the Egyptian Army highlighted in a Facebook post on Dec. 6, 2016. That post included photos of three bloody men in a grassy area with rifles next to them. The post said they had been killed in a military raid on a terrorist base and an explosives storehouse. Eight people were killed and four others were arrested, the military said on Facebook in December, as Egyptian armed forces "continued to tighten their security grip" in the Sinai Peninsula, where the country has waged a yearslong battle. Advertisement Continue reading the main story But the video shows no firefight and starts with soldiers mingling next to an armored truck in a sandy field scattered with bodies next to shrubs and grassy patches. But it does show the killing of at least three people. In one case, a soldier casually holds a rifle over a man on the ground and shoots him in the head. In another, soldiers escort a blindfolded man into the field, place him on his knees and shoot him multiple times in the head and upper body. The pro-state Egyptian news site Youm7 called the video a fabrication carried out by the Muslim Brotherhood, which is banned in the country, and said the people in the video did not have Egyptian accents. An Egyptian military spokesman did not respond to a request for comment late Thursday. Get the Morning Briefing by Email What you need to know to start your day, delivered to your inbox Monday through Friday. Please verify you're not a robot by clicking the box. Invalid email address. Please re-enter. You must select a newsletter to subscribe to. Sign Up Receive occasional updates and special offers for The New York Times's products and services. Thank you for subscribing. An error has occurred. Please try again later. You are already subscribed to this email.

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# **Movie Review: Noor**

First look of Sonakshi Sinha in 'Noor' Noor: 'Hai Zaroori' song Noor: 'Uff Yeh Noor' song Noor: 'Gulabi 2.0' song First look of Sonakshi Sinha in 'Noor' Noor: 'Hai Zaroori' song Noor: Official trailer Noor: 'Uff Yeh Noor' song Noor Story: Noor wants to get into issue-based journalism but hasn't found a solution to her own issues yet. Between a flawed love life, a flailing career and daily struggles with weight, she finds her meaty story. Noor Review: Who knew Sonakshi Sinha was capable of this all along? movie Watching her play this part is the most starkly disorienting thing about Noor. The movie gives her a chance to be an actual flesh-and-bone person. She's relatable as a girl who swears by her rum (and suffers hangovers), eats cake in bed (and dreads getting on a weighing scale) and becomes the third wheel on a friend's date (while cursing her own single life). We've all been there. Noor (Sinha) wants to shine a light on serious issues but is stuck being the torchbearer of mediocre puff pieces. Her childhood friend Saad (Gill) gives her pep-talks from the friendzone and her mentor (Chaudhary) reigns her in when she's too enthusiastic about a new exposé. Even as she's coming to terms with the hotness of her new boyfriend, Ayan (Kohli), her maid Malti

(Tambe) brings a major organ-trade racket to her notice. Director Sunhil Sippy has achieved the rare feat of not stereotyping people in the media by showing them as jhola-toting opinionated creatures. There's an instant connect with Noor's world; her friends are as silly as yours, her issues are at times frivolous but her quarter-life crisis seems credible. The film is slightly over-written (a whole lot of dialogue) but lines are mostly funny. Since the movie gets this generation right, it has to get its flaws right too. Noor introduces a conflict which is serious and relevant, but offers very little by way of resolution. It unintentionally gives a nod to armchair-activism, and as representative of our time as it is, it simply cannot cover-up the lazy writing towards the end. A slightly stronger effort on the protagonist's part could have propelled the movie into greatness. But where Noor falls short, Sinha rises to the occasion. Gill brings a lightheartedness to the movie and Smita Tambe delivers equally well in half the screen-time. This is the great debut that has come seven years into Sonakshi's career. And for that, you must go meet Noor at theatre. TRIVIA

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# US tries to clear waters after N. Korea 'armada' confusion

The Trump administration on Wednesday tried to clear the waters after it gave confusing messages concerning the whereabouts of a US supercarrier that supposedly was steaming toward North Korea last week. Amid soaring tensions ahead of North Korea's apparent ramping up for a sixth nuclear test, the US Navy on April 8 said it was directing a naval strike group headed by the USS Carl Vinson aircraft carrier to "sail north" from the waters off Singapore, as a "prudent measure" to deter Pyongyang. "We are sending an armada. Very powerful," were the words of President Donald Trump, and other officials made it sound like the ships were plowing toward the region. "A carrier group steaming into an area like that, the forward presence of that is clearly... a huge deterrent. So, I think it serves multiple capabilities," White House spokesman Sean Spicer said April 11. Pentagon chief Jim Mattis said the Vinson was "on her way up" to the region. For more news videos visit Yahoo View, available now on iOS and Android. But the Navy on Tuesday admitted the ships were in fact sent in the opposite direction -- away from Singapore and toward Australia to conduct drills with the Australian navy. Defense officials said the Vinson wouldn't be anywhere near North Korea before next week at the earliest -- it is thousands of nautical miles from the Java Sea where the ship was located over the weekend to the Sea of Japan. Critics pounced on the discrepancy as a dangerous miscommunication, saying it fed into North Korea's narrative that America is all bluster and doesn't follow through on threats. - 'It is happening' - It also comes as the White House faces ongoing credibility issues on a broad range of topics including the size of Trump's inaugural crowd, his unsubstantiated claim that he was "wiretapped" by the Obama administration and his unsupported assertion millions of votes in November's election were illegal. "The president said that we have an armada going towards the peninsula. That's a fact. It happened. It is happening, rather," Spicer said Wednesday as he tried to clarify the issue. Speaking to reporters in Saudi Arabia, Mattis said the Pentagon had tried to be open about the Vinson's whereabouts. "We generally don't give out ship schedules in advance but I did not want to play a game either and say we were not changing the schedule when in fact we have," he said. "She will be on her way. I will determine when she gets there and where she actually operates, but the Vinson is going to be part of our ensuring that we stand by our allies in the northwest Pacific." Rear Admiral Jim Kilby, who heads the Vinson strike group, wrote on Facebook late Tuesday that the ships' deployment "has been extended 30 days to provide a persistent presence in the waters off the Korean Peninsula." James Faeh, a former Pentagon country director for Korea during the Obama administration, said the Vinson deployment was not a make-or-break development, given that the United States already has a massive array of military hardware and tens of thousands of troops in the region to deter Pyongyang. He told AFP the rhetoric coming from the Trump administration on North Korea was "overheated and risky," but the strike group's deployment was "not at all outside of the mainstream." North Korea staged a massive military parade on Saturday and observers widely expected the country to conduct a sixth nuclear test to coincide with celebrations marking the birthdate of regime founder Kim Il-Sung. But that test hasn't happened yet, though North Korean leader Kim Jong-un attempted to launch a missile Sunday that the Pentagon said blew up almost immediately after launch.

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## Varun Dhawan and Taapsee Pannu chill with 'Judwaa 2' team in London! | Zee News

News » Entertainment » Bollywood Varun Dhawan and Taapsee Pannu chill with 'Judwaa 2' team in London! Bollywood's young and generation next stars Varun Dhawan and Taapsee Pannu are currently shooting for 'Judwaa 2' in the beautiful locales of London. The film happens to be a remake of 1997 blockbuster 'Judwaa' starring Salman Khan, Karisma Kapoor and Rambha. By Ritika Handoo | Last Updated: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 - 15:45 Comment Pic Courtesy: Twitter New Delhi: Bollywood's young and generation next stars Varun Dhawan and Taapsee Pannu are currently shooting for 'Judwaa 2' in the beautiful locales of London. The film happens to be a remake of 1997 blockbuster 'Judwaa' starring Salman Khan, Karisma Kapoor and Rambha. Varun Dhawan has stepped into Salman's shoes this time for the remake and papa Dhawan will be donning a director's hat again. The film stars Jacqueline Fernandez and Taapsee Pannu as the female leads whereas Varun will be playing a double role for the first time ever. MUST READ Judwaa 2: Salman Khan's special gesture for Varun Dhawan revealed Nadiadwala Grandson took to Twitter and shared behind-the-scenes clicks of the star cast busy in conversation. You can spot Varun, Taapsee, Rohit Dhawan and Sajid Nadiadwala chilling like a boss on sets. A team that smiles together, stays together! @Varun\_dvn & @taapsee caught in a candid conversation with #SajidNadiadwala . #Judwaa2 pic.twitter.com/4ECwntCr7x — Nadiadwala Grandson (@NGEMovies) April 18, 2017 'Judwaa 2' is helmed by maverick filmmaker David Dhawan, who directed the origin 'Judwaa' starring Salman Khan in double role. TAGS

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# Man wanted for London acid attack dating TOWIE star Ferne McCann | Metro News

Tanveer Mann for Metro.co.uk Wednesday 19 Apr 2017 7:24 am Police are on the hunt for Arthur Collins, 25, who police would like to speak to after a suspected acid attack injured 20 people at Mangle in Dalston, east London, early on Monday morning (Picture: PA) The boyfriend of reality TV star Ferne McCann is wanted for questioning over an acid attack at a nightclub which left 20 people injured. At least 12 people suffer burns after 'acid attack' at East London nightclub Officers are on the hunt for Arthur Collins after the corrosive liquid was sprayed during an argument at Mangle in Dalston, east London, early on Monday morning. The 25-year-old, from Hertfordshire, is currently dating Ms McCann, best known for her appearances on The Only Way is Essex (TOWIE) and I'm A Celebrity...Get Me Out of Here! Arthur Collins and Ferne McCann were planning a wedding (Picture: Instagram) His home in Broxbourne, Hertfordshire, was raided on Monday night by police carrying out an arrest warrant in connection with the attack, where they allegedly found a cache of firearms, cannabis plants and cultivation equipment. Two clubbers, aged 24 and 29, were seriously hurt in the attack and have been moved to a specialist burns hospital in Essex, the Metropolitan Police said. Police said Mr Collins should not be approached, urging members of the public to instead ring 999. 20 people were injured after a 'noxious substance' was thrown inside the trendy club Mangle. CCTV image issued by the Metropolitan Police of Arthur Collins (Picture:PA) Ms McCann appealed to her boyfriend to turn himself in to police. Home of Ferne McCann's lover Arthur Collins raided by police following London acid attack A 54-year-old man and a 52-year-old woman were arrested at Mr Collins's address on suspicion of cultivating cannabis. Ten people were taken to hospital for burns, while two others with similar injuries sought treatment, emergency services said. A further eight people have since contacted police to report they were injured. Two clubbers, aged 24 and 29, were seriously hurt in the attack and have been moved to a specialist burns hospital in Essex, the Metropolitan Police said. (Picture: PA) Detective inspector Lee McCullough said: 'We now have 20 people suffering from the effects of an acidic substance being sprayed in a confined space in a busy nightclub. 'All have burn related injuries. The noxious substance used has not yet been confirmed but samples retrieved from the scene have been sent for analysis. 'If you were there and saw anyone involved inside or leaving the nightclub, please get in touch.' A spokeswoman for her said: 'Ferne is aware that the police wish to speak to Arthur Collins and the nature of the accusations against him. Obviously these are highly shocking and Ferne has co-operated with the police in their inquiries. Collins is currently dating reality TV star Ferne McCann (Picture: PA) 'She was not with Arthur on Sunday night; was not at Mangle; and has no direct knowledge of the events that unfolded. 'As much as anybody she wants to know the truth and urges Arthur to co-operate fully with the police and attend a police station immediately.' Sisters share shocking pictures of chemical burns after acid attack in Dalston nightclub The police search for Mr Collins comes just one day after Ms McCann revealed the couple had plans to wed. In an interview with OK! magazine, the 26-year-old said: 'We've spoken about our wedding. We want to get married on a beach. I want it to be a party and a celebration.' She said the pair had met on Instagram last August. Australian model Isobella Fraser, 22, was burnt down her arm and back when the liquid seared through her dress and left her unable to breathe (Picture: Facebook) (Picture: Facebook) Among those hurt was Sadie Wright, the cousin of ex-Premier League footballer Jamie O'Hara, who later described the attack as 'sick'. Australian model Isobella Fraser, 22, was burnt down her arm and back when the liquid seared through her dress and left her unable to breathe, according to reports. Her sister, Prue, 20, was also scalded by the noxious substance. Hundreds of people were at the venue when the incident occurred, and roads were closed as emergency services, including a hazardous area response team, rushed to the scene. Isobella Fraser and Prue Fraser were both injured in the incident (Picture: Caters) Witnesses reported several victims were outside with burns across their bodies, while others were seen pouring water on what appeared to be an injured friend. The Only Way Is Essex stars Jamie Reed, Jade Lewis and Chloe Meadows were among those forced to leave the bank holiday LoveJuice event. A Hertfordshire Police spokeswoman said: 'Police conducting an arrest warrant at an address on White Stubbs Lane, Broxbourne, at 19.50pm on Monday April 17, discovered cannabis plants and cultivation equipment. More

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#### **Every Breath You Take (The Voice Performance) - Stephanie Rice**

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# Khloe Kardashian Eats After Gym — When Leaving Workout: What She Does - Hollywood Life

Khloe Kardashian's workout routine is serious #fitspo and we are willing to follow any and all advice she has! She what she does RIGHT after leaving the gym below! Khloe Kardashian, 32, spilled her post-gym secrets on her app and website on April 18. "How you recover from your workout is just as important as the workout itself," she wrote. "Your body needs to adapt to the physical stress of exercise by repairing muscle and replenishing energy stores in order to maximize all the amazing benefits of a tough sweat sesh. You've already put in the hard work, so make sure you're reaping #yourbestbody rewards by using these simple recovery techniques!" Khloe Kardashian's Weight Loss Transformation — SEE PICS 1. TAKE A BATH "Intense exercise depletes the body of magnesium, leading to muscle cramps, joint pain and inflammation, all of which can cause you to call it quits when the pain gets too real. Replenish your magnesium supply by pouring two cups of Epsom salts (naturally composed of magnesium sulphate) into a warm bath and soak for 15 to 30 minutes. I store my salts in decorative jars and display them for a pretty bathroom accent." I like Dr Teal's salts — it's super affordable and they smell amazing. 2. ROLL OUT "Give your muscles some post-workout deep-tissue love using a foam roller, massage therapy ball or a muscle roller stick. "Rolling" puts targeted pressure on your muscles and connective tissue, releasing trigger points where you feel tight and sore. This helps release the toxic build up of lactic acid that accumulates in your muscles after an intense workout, helping to prevent injury, increase flexibility and speed up the recovery process. Hurts SO good!" 3. EAT SOMETHING "The first 45 minutes after

exercise is your "anabolic window," which is the period of time that food is converted to build lean muscle. I always make sure I have a meal within that time frame, and smoothies are usually my go-to. Try combining these three key ingredients for a simple smoothie that refuels your body and repairs your muscles. Bananas are an excellent source of carbs and potassium, both of which are depleted post-workout; Protein World's Whey Protein replenishes amino acids that are known to be fast-acting and easily digested; almond butter provides unsaturated fat for an energy pick-me-up and salt to restore electrolytes. A pack of almond butter on it's own is better than nothing, so I ALWAYS keep them handy!" She likes Justin's Almond Butter packets. Read her smoothie recipe here! HollywoodLifers, what do you do after working out? More Khloe Kardashian News:

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# Egypt discovers 3,000-year-old tomb of nobleman

E gyptian archaeologists yesterday unearthed several mummies and hundreds of funerary statues in a 3,500-year-old tomb near the city of Luxor, the latest in a series of major discoveries of ancient relics. The discovery was made by an Egyptian archaeological mission working in the Draa Abul Nagaa necropolis near the famed Valley of the Kings. The antiquities ministry said that the tomb was built for a nobleman named Userhat who worked as the city judge during the New Kingdom period, from roughly 1,500 to 1,000 B.C. A member of an Egyptian archaeological team stands near artifacts discovered in a 3,500-year-old tomb in the Draa Abul Nagaa necropolis, near the southern city of Luxor, on April 18, 2017 I t was opened to add more mummies during the 21st Dynasty, about 3,000 years ago, to protect them during a period when tomb-robbing was common, Mostafa Waziri, the head of the archaeological mission, said at the site. Mr Waziri said another chamber was found containing the statues, which depict kings from different dynasties. The mission is working to restore the tomb and unearth the rest of its chambers. Mr Waziri said that his team is working in restoring the wooden coffins so it could be moved. He said the mission has discovered the inhabitants of the tomb died because of a disease, and that they are working to discover which type. Egyptian archaeologists document the content of a recently discovered tomb at the Draa Abul Nagaa necropolis in Luxor's West Bank, 650km south of Cairo, Egypt, 18 April 2017 Credit: AHMED TARANH/EPA "It is a T-shaped tomb (which) consists of an open court leading into a rectangular hall, a corridor and an inner chamber," the ministry said in a statement. A nine-metre shaft inside the tomb held the Ushabti figurines, as well as "wooden masks and a handle of a sarcophagus lid," the ministry said. "The corridor of the tomb leads into an inner chamber where a cachette of sarcophagi is found." Ushabti is a minor size statue, which was a funerary figurine used in Ancient Egypt. U shabti states representing the days of the year, used to be placed around the sarcophagus in tombs to act as servants or minions for the deceased. Journalists and members of an Egyptian archaeological team stand near artifacts discovered in a 3,500-year-old tomb in the Draa Abul Nagaa necropolis, near the southern city of Luxor, on April 18, 2017 Credit: AFP E gypt's ministry of antiquities has announced several discoveries recently. It hopes that the new discoveries would revive tourism, which has suffered greatly because of the political unrest following 2011 uprising and most recently the terrorist attacks carried by Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (Isil) affiliated groups, which reached Egypt's mainland. An archaeologist works on a wooden coffin discovered in a 3,500-year-old tomb in the Draa Abul Nagaa necropolis, near the southern Egyptian city of Luxor, on April 18, 2017 Credit: AFP

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#### Manisha Will 'Revisit' Her Own Battle With Cancer While Playing Nargis

Home Bollywood Manisha Koirala Will 'Revisit' Her Own Battle With Cancer While Playing Nargis Dutt "Whenever I see a cancer patient today it is like reliving the moment. I am affected in any which ways," said Manisha Koirala Written by: Tishya Misra | April 19, 2017 16:55 IST ( New Delhi ) 6 Shares Manisha Koirala was last seen in 2016 Malayalam movie Edavappathy ( Manisha Koirala ) Highlights "It is a great opportunity to be playing Nargis Dutt," said Manisha "I am yet to start shoot for Saniay Dutt biopic." said Manisha Koirala Ranbir Kapoor will portray the role of Saniay Dutt in the film Actress Manisha Koirala is all set to portray the role of Saniay Dutt's mother Nargis in the biopic, directed by Raikumar Hirani, The 46-year-old actress, who is a cancer survivor, told news agency PTI that she will be revisiting her own struggles while portraying the role of Mr Dutt's mother in the biopic. "Whenever I see a cancer patient today it is like reliving the moment. I am affected in any which ways. When I will be performing that (Nargis Dutt's role). I am yet to start shoot, of course I will be revisiting that," PTI quoted Manisha Koirala as saying. Nargis Dutt died in 1981 due to pancreatic cancer, just days before Sanjay Dutt made his debut in Hindi films. Manisha Koirala is 'excited' to be portraying the role of Nargis in the Dutt biopic . The Bombay actress told PTI: "It is a great opportunity and honour to be playing Nargis Dutt ji on-screen. She is a legendary figure. I hope I do justice to the chance that is given to me. We did couple of look test and I think we have got closer to the look both in short or long hair. I am excited and kicked about it." The film, which is being produced by Vidhu Vinod Chopra, features Ranbir Kapoor in lead role. It also stars Paresh Rawal as Sunil Dutt. Dia Mirza as Manyata Dutt and Sonam Kapoor as Tina Munim. Talking about her other upcoming projects. Manisha Koraila told PTI: "There are other films that I am doing and as and when we go ahead the producers will announce it. Also, as far as health is concerned I would want to do a chat show about it. I am glued to understand health and human body. If that comes my way I will do it." In 2012, Manisha Koirala was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. The Mann actress won the battle with the disease in 2015 after which she has been actively involved in spreading awareness about cancer. "After that lot of things changed. I understood the importance of health and life and I connected with my soul. I think a person does become weak mentally and emotionally with any disease. But even in that time also one should be strong. I believe in the divine, we all have the strength and courage within us we just have to look for it," PTI quoted Manisha Koirala as saying. (With PTI inputs)

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#### Plan Your Perfect Meal And We'll Tell You What Wine To Drink

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# We Watched The Season 7B Premiere Of "Pretty Little Liars" And Here's What We Thought

We Watched The Season 7B Premiere Of "Pretty Little Liars" And Here's What We Thought The real mystery is: How many Rosewood wives has Peter Hastings slept with? Posted on April 19, 2017, 05:41 GMT Share 1. Here we go team. The final 10 episodes. 2. Lol at the ambo asking Spencer, "Who's your mom?" I mean, she couldn't answer that coherently even in perfect health. 3. "Maybe they thought we knew too much about something." Oh Emily, literally no one is worried about you knowing too much about anything. 4. Also there is no way that anyone can know too much about anything . These storylines are all such a mess, everyone's related to everyone, and people keep dying and disappearing. Does I. Marlene even know where this is going? 5. Wait, why did Mary Drake run away? I can't even remember why she was at the blind school in the first place. Hmmm. 6. OF COURSE everyone survived and is 100% fine except Yvonne the random background character with no relevance. Placing bets on the fact they'll kill her off so Spencer and Toby reunite. 7. Ah good. Another post-sex scene to remind us once again, that these girls are adults. 8. All of these girls are suspiciously very OK considering they just witnessed a shooting and a beheading. 9. I guess they're used to it by now. 10. Lmao imagine being Ali. How do you say to your doctor, "hello can I please get a DNA test for my baby. I know who the father is but I'm not 100% sure if I'm the mother "Freeform Share 11. Ezra doesn't have a great track record with his partners getting abducted, hey? 12. Will they ever address WHY Nicole was kidnapped? And also why we should even really care at all? 13. I'm so happy they're literally talking about "endgame" in the show. It's like they're saying "stick with us guys, it's really nearly over, see we're even EXPLICITLY saying it, don't give up now". 14. Wow A.D. has really gone hi-tech on the "presents". 15. Aria's doll even has little pink streaks in its hair... maybe A.D. is Jason after all. 16. THANK GOD Mona is here I'm sure she'll sort everything out. 17. But wait can she funnel her energy into doing something productive to find A.D., instead of focusing on Hanna's unnecessary career? 18. S the cops know that Rollins was really Archer Dunhill? But they think he's still alive? 19. TWO GUNS? Goddamn how do all these people get their hands on these guns? Oh right... they live in America. 20. But does that mean Mary was shooting at them too? Share 21. Who the fuck is Holden? Why are they introducing new characters? Don't we have enough loose ends to tie up? (Where is Lorenzo? Where is Lucas? Where is Jason?) 22. OK, apparently we've seen him before but clearly he had no significance because I have no clue at all who he is supposed to be. 23. MONA IS PERFECT IN THIS EPISODE, AS USUAL. 24. I'm so happy to see Mona and Hanna working together again I just wish it was about something mysterious, not a fucking dress. 25. Oh thank god, Olivia Benson is back to save the day. 26. But also why did it take her a WHOLE WEEK to come back after HER DAUGHTER WAS SHOT? SHOT. WITH A GUN. 27. OMG Spencer thanks for coming through with a recap that was better than the one at the beginning of the episode. 28. "You want a glass of wine?" YAS BRING THAT WINE MOM AESTHETIC BACK. 29. I am so sad Olivia Benson isn't Spencer's mother. Thank god she's still Melissa's mom, otherwise she'd have to leave the Wine Mom Squad. 30. PETER FUCKING HASTINGS. Can't you keep your goddamn dick in your pants for five fucking minutes? 31. Also like, Peter saw Mary in a restaurant? And what, just after entrées was all "hey babes come to the bathroom for a quickie"? Ew. 32. Olivia Benson why did you stay with Peter Hastings after this, goddamn you're better than that. 33. S it sounds like Mary tricked Peter into sleeping with her by pretending she was Jessica? What the fuck is this show? 34. Lmao this flashback of Spencer's birth should technically be set in the mid-90s, why are they all dressed like film noir characters from the '40s? That hat is ridiculous. Freeform

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## Parineeti Chopra Says Priyanka Chopra Texted Her 'First' After Meri Pyaari Bindu Song - NDTV Movies

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# **New Drone Footage Shows Nearly Complete Apple Park Campus at Night**

New Drone Footage Shows Nearly Complete Apple Park Campus at Night Wednesday April 19, 2017 4:30 pm PDT by Juli Clover Apple Park, Apple's second campus in Cupertino, California, is set to have its grand opening this month, and ahead of its official debut, last minute construction and landscaping is continuing on at a rapid pace. As part of a mid-month update, drone pilot Duncan Sinfield has shared a new video of Apple Park, this time getting some gorgeous nighttime shots of the campus lit up at night. In the evenings, the lights on the ring-shaped main building stay on, and it's an impressive sight. The nighttime shots are towards the end of the video, which also shows the completed parking structures, landscaping work with hundreds of trees being planted, final construction on the main building, furniture installation, and more. While employees are set to start working at Apple Park at some point in April, landscaping and construction on auxiliary buildings will continue into the summer. jclo 1 day ago at 05:17 pm I live near Cupertino and it's hard to grasp the scale from the drone video. It looks straight up amazing at night. Rating: 4 Votes coolfactor 1 day ago at 04:53 pm remember HP also had a massive campus and they are not the same company anymore. This all started happening 7 years ago with the purchase of land from HP

http://www.mercurynews.com/2010/11/24/apple-makes-big-land-purchase-in-cupertino-2/ But was HP's campus inspiring, designed and built with the planet and people in mind? Or was it just a boring corporate box surrounded by pavement? I think that's a very important distinction. Apple has always had unique values from the very beginning, and I think that influences their course. Rating: 3 Votes zoetmb 1 day ago at 04:46 pm With just 11 days left to the month, I doubt very much that any employees are moving into the main building this month. Employees may start moving in in May, but there's tons of work left to do. Just getting the construction equipment off of the site would take several weeks. I bet it would take days just to get that orange safety netting off the top of the building. All those very large cartons sitting inside the building must be office modules and the like. All of that has to be put together. This place is huge. Lots of work still to do and the place will need to be cleaned top to bottom to get rid of construction dust before employees move in. And I don't know specifically what California's laws are, but I would assume the place needs a certificate of occupancy. I can't see the authorities granting that until most of that interior space is cleared of construction and packaging debris. All of these videos have shown very light traffic on the highways, so I assume they're shot on Sundays, probably early Sunday mornings. And so we also see relatively few construction workers. Anyone familiar with the site during the week? Are there a thousand construction workers there? Because it seems to me that's what it would take to get it ready for move-in if it's happening before June. Rating: 3 Votes ILuvEggplant 1 day ago at 04:45 pm Yes, it's sad that he doesn't get to see this come together. What an amazing new presence! I call it Apple City. I love how they designed to minimize light pollution, as well. Truly an impressive building. Now what will come out of Apple over the next 15 years? That's what this was all for, after all, right? Now to wait and see... remember HP also had a massive campus and they are not the same company anymore. This all started happening 7 years ago with the purchase of land from HP http://www.mercurynews.com/2010/11/24/apple-makes-big-land-purchase-in-cupertino-2/ Rating: 2 Votes apppen1 1 day ago at 04:57 pm If Steve Jobs was alive the Campus would already be finished 2 years ago. Apple is doomed under Tim Cook /s. Rating: 2 Votes 1 day ago at 04:43 pm steve jobs would be proud. Yes, it's sad that he doesn't get to see this come together. What an amazing new presence! I call it Apple City. I love how they designed to minimize light pollution, as well. Truly an impressive building. Now what will come out of Apple over the next 15 years? That's what this was all for, after all, right? Now to wait and see... Rating: 2 Votes 1 day ago at 11:31 pm With the new building almost finished maybe Apple can concentrate on making computers again. Just sayin'. Rating: 2 Votes 1 day ago at 04:35 pm steve jobs would be proud. except he's dead. EvilEvil 1 day ago at 05:53 pm I wonder if they're actually going to use the space to build really innovative products or continue with more of the same. Rating: 2 Votes malexandria 23 hours ago at 04:54 am what the heck is a "drone pilot?" If I bought a \$90 drone and flew it would I be a "drone pilot?" Rating: 1 Votes

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## **Apple to Dismantle Iconic Glass Cube at Fifth Avenue Store**

Apple to Dismantle Iconic Glass Cube at Fifth Avenue Store Wednesday April 19, 2017 12:58 pm PDT by Juli Clover Apple will soon dismantle and remove the iconic glass cube entrance at its Fifth Avenue Apple Store in Manhattan, New York, which is in the process of being renovated and expanded. On March 16, Apple filed a permit for the "full removal of the glass cubical structure at the Apple Store entrance," which, according to BuildZoom, was granted on April 17. The removal of the cube will cost Apple \$2 million, and according to a second source, could commence on May 9. Apple is planning to expand its Fifth Avenue store to double the size of the original location. The store is growing from 32,000 square feet to 77,000 square feet, giving Apple more space at its flagship New York location. It is not yet clear what Apple is planning to do with the cube. It could be temporarily removed to allow for construction underneath, or the company could have bigger cube renovation plans in mind. This will be the second time the cube has been dismantled -- it was torn down in 2011 to allow Apple to reconstruct it from larger, more seamless glass panes. Prior to 2011, the cube was made up of more than 90 glass panes, but the new cube uses just 15. While construction is underway at the new location, Apple has temporarily relocated the store to a nearby empty storefront that formerly housed the FAO Schwarz toy store. Apple has not announced when the new store will be complete, but rumors suggest it will have some notable improvements, including a unique area for a Beats 1 radio station that will enable live in-store Beats 1 broadcasts. 13 hours ago at 01:09 pm How does the removal of the cube cost \$2 million? Rating: 20 Votes JPLC 13 hours ago at 01:05 pm The way I read it, this time the cube will not return? Idk but I sure hope not. This cube is a monument and its got Steve's name written all over it. Rating: 15 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:02 pm Maybe they'll replace the "cube" with a "cylinder". Rating: 14 Votes Jakexb 13 hours ago at 01:10 pm Last time they rebuilt it, they reduced the number of pieces joined together. After their experience building Apple Park, I bet they could get it down to 1 piece per side and a carbon fiber roof. [doublepost=1492632732][/doublepost] How does the removal of the cube cost \$2 million? NYC, construction cranes, probably shutting down part of 5th avenue... Rating: 13 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:02 pm I hope they don't get rid of the glowing Apple logo. Rating: 7 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:01 pm Tim Cooking appears to be closing Apple Rating: 7 Votes applesith 13 hours ago at 01:24 pm I live a block away and pass by a few times a day. They recently expanded the construction area to the edges of the street, where now there is a makeshift walk path in the street. It will be interesting to see how the new store looks from above ground. I hope the restore or change the cube and do not entirely remove it. They definitely needed to rework the entrance/exit, as it was always a cluster mess going in and leaving down the one staircase. Rating: 6 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:29 pm Why don't you dismantle my heart while you're at it too, Tim...?: (Rating: 6 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:13 pm Make the Cube floating, come on you have the cash. Rating: 5 Votes mainer4101 13 hours ago at 01:07 pm Maybe this is their way of actively working to address the rumored supply issues for the iPhone 8. Rating: 4 Votes

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# Xiaomi Launches the Mi 6 with Snapdragon 835, 6GB of RAM, Under-glass Fingerprint Sensor and No 3.5mm Headphone Jack

Sticking to its yearly schedule, Xiaomi has launched the Mi 6 in China. The Mi 6 is the latest flagship from Xiaomi, and is their first device with the Qualcomm Snapdragon 835 processor. The Xiaomi Mi 6 features a design that incorporates both glass and metal. The stainless steel mid frame of the device is sandwiched between four-sided curved glass on the front and back. There is also an exclusive variant which comes with a ceramic back and comes with 18K gold rims around the two rear camera lenses. The front of the device also sports the 5.15" FHD display, which Xiaomi claims comes with 4096 levels of brightness which allows for finer control of display brightness. The Mi 6 also comes with an under-glass fingerprint sensor. Xiaomi also claims that the device is splash-resistant with the SIM tray sealed against splashes, but fails to provide any IP-level protection on the device. On the inside, the Xiaomi Mi 6 sports the Qualcomm Snapdragon 835, along with 6GB LPDDR4x RAM by default across all variants. For internal storage, the Mi 6 comes in a 64GB variant and a 128GB variant, but there is no microSD expansion to be found on this phone. The device comes with a decently-sized 3,350 mAh battery with Quick Charge 3.0 functionality. Given the screen size, resolution and the Snapdragon 835 with its 10nm process, the Mi 6 should be able to provide some good battery life. The Mi 6 also comes with full NFC functionality and Bluetooth 5.0, but lacks a 3.5mm headphone jack. Xiaomi was also strangely silent on the MIUI version and Android version that the device will ship with. The Mi 6 also comes with a dual camera setup on the back. This setup consists of a 12MP wide angle camera with 4-ais OIS and a 12MP telephoto camera that helps in capturing photos with background à la Portrait Mode on the iPhone 7 Plus. The front camera on the device is a 8MP shooter. The Mi 6 will be available from April 28, 2017 in China through Mi.com, Mi Home stores and other partner sites. The 64GB variant of the device will cost CNY 2,499 (~\$363; ■23,500), the 128GB variant of the device will cost CNY 2,899 (~\$421; ■27,200) while the Ceramic edition will cost CNY 2,999 (~\$435; ■28,200) . The Mi 6 comes in Black, Blue, White and Silver colors . What are your thoughts on the Xiaomi Mi 6? Do you look forward to purchasing the device? Let us know your thoughts in the comments below! Source: MIUI Forums

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The Mi 6 sports a four-sided 3D curved glass The smartphone is powered by Snapdragon 835 SoC It also sports a pair of 12-megapixel lenses on the back Xiaomi on Wednesday unveiled its Mi 6 flagship smartphone for the Chinese market. At the event in Beijing, the company highlighted a few new features of the Mi 6 such as its premium 3D glass design, powerful Snapdragon 835 SoC, 6GB of RAM, and dual rear cameras, among other things. Priced at CNY 2,499 (roughly Rs. 23,500) for the 64GB storage and 6GB RAM variant, the Mi 6 looks to improve on its predecessor and we take a look at six key features that stand out for the new flagship. Design Xiaomi in recent years has managed to package its smartphones with attractive design elements that please the eyes. With the Xiaomi Mi 6 standing as the flagship smartphone for 2017, the company has gone all out to make a good-looking handset. One of the main highlights of the Mi 6 is its four-sided 3D curved glass with an ultra reflective mirror finish being offered in Blue, Black and White options. Xiaomi has also paid a lot of attention to symmetry. The card slot and volume keys on either sides are perfectly aligned, while the antenna lines are aligned to the display. The bottom sees speaker grilles on either side of the USB Type-C port and no 3.5mm headphone jack. Xiaomi has also kept the back as clean as possible for a mirror-like effect with only a dual camera setup on the top left and the 'Mi' logo on the bottom. The sides of the phone are made from stainless steel for a high-gloss outline. There is also a Ceramic variant. Processor As one would expect from a flagship smartphone, the Xiaomi Mi 6 is powered by the latest Qualcomm Snapdragon 835 SoC based on the 10nm manufacturing process. The smartphone is also offered with 6GB of RAM which is large enough to handle multitasking, gaming and pretty much anything you want to throw at it. The latest SoC consumes 25 percent less power as compared to the Snapdragon 820, which translates to a longer battery life for the Mi 6. The SoC also provides Gigabit LTE speeds. Dual Camera The Mi 6 is touted as the first 5.15-inch smartphone to sport a dual camera setup on the back. The rear sees a pair of 12-megapixel lenses, one wide angle and one telephoto that allows you to have 2x optical lossless zoom. This essentially means that you will be able to capture clear, detailed images even with 10x digital zoom. The rear also features a 4-axis OIS stabilisation system so you won't have to worry about shaky hands getting in the way of that perfect capture. Notably, the dual camera also promises to deliver great depth-of-field captures and uses binocular imaging system and deep learning algorithm to clearly define what needs to be focused and what should be blurred out. Fingerprint Sensor Xiaomi has once again managed to push the fingerprint sensor under the glass of the fingerprint sensor front, which is something it had done for the Xiaomi Mi 5s, using ultrasonic technology. According to the company, this implementation will help ensure the fingerprint scanner will not get damaged with use and wear and tear. Bluetooth 5.0 Bluetooth 5.0 is the next generation in Bluetooth technology. Xiaomi's Mi 6 joins Samsung's Galaxy S8 as being the only two smartphones currently to support Bluetooth 5.0. Xiaomi may not have stressed on this particular feature much but the technology is pretty impressive when compared to the fourth generation Bluetooth technology. Bluetooth 5.0 gives 4x the range, 2x the speed and 8x broadcasting capacity compared to the previous generation. Notably, the new technology is also strong enough to connect the phone to two speakers simultaneously. Stereo Speakers Lastly, Xiaomi took some time to highlight the Mi 6's dual speakers on the top and bottom that the company promises will help deliver immersive stereo effect. The dual speakers aims to deliver a surround sound experience while playing music, video or games.

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# Facebook's Messenger Platform 2.0 will be your one-stop-shop for work, play and social

CHECK IT OUT On stage at the McEnery Convention Center in San Jose, David Marcus, VP of Messaging Products, laid bare the company's vision for messenger. It's exciting. You can tell, because Facebook isn't launching another one-point-something version. This is Messenger Platform 2.0. So, what does Messenger Platform 2.0 look like? One theme is Messenger not merely as a tool for social interactions, but a tool for business. David Marcus said that there are 65 million businesses on Messenger. Messenger Platform 2.0 emphasizes discovery, with an aim to make it easier to discover those businesses. It aims to be the Yellow Pages of chat apps. A tangible step forward towards this is the Discover Tab, which is populated with relevant bots and businesses. In the same spirit, Facebook is also overhauling Messenger Codes. These launched last year as a way to connect different Messenger users, but didn't really catch on in the west. That's a cultural thing. We're not particularly used to scanning QR codes and the like on a routine basis. These are now easier to use. The company's Parametric

QR codes can be placed anywhere, and can be scanned with Messenger to engage with bots and companies. Bots also made an appearence, with chat extensions. Previously, bots were things you engaged with one-on-one. Now, you can drag them into group conversations. Spotify is an early adopter here. You can now use it to share tracks within group conversations. Already, there are several major companies signed up, including Uber, the Wall Street Journal, Hipmunk, Kayak, and more. Another major announcement is Smart Replies, which allows small businesses to launch their own intelligent autoresponders. These can answer questions when the social media team are off duty, allowing customers to find out basic details like locations, pricing, and opening hours at any time. Although announced a little bit earlier, a component of Messenger Platform 2.0 is M Suggestions. This is found in M — the company's virtual assistant platform — and is used to make recommendations about things to do, stickers to use, and so on. Games also seen a major overhaul. According to David Marcus, 1.5 billion games have been played over Facebook Messenger, so now the company is introducing rich, real-time and turn-by-turn games. It's also introducing a games tab, which makes it easier to discover new titles. It's clear where Facebook is going. It wants Messenger to be a one-stop-shop for everything you do. Work. Play. Social. Cupertino desperately wants Messenger to do it all. And given what we saw in San Jose, it's clear to see they're on the right track.

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# Apple Pledges to End Mining and Use 100% Recycled Materials for Products

Apple Pledges to End Mining and Use 100% Recycled Materials for Products Wednesday April 19, 2017 5:13 pm PDT by Juli Clover Just ahead of Earth Day, Apple has released its 2017 Environmental Responsibility Report [ PDF ] with a lofty new goal: ending mining. Apple says the company is working on a "closed-loop supply chain" that would allow it to stop mining the earth for rare minerals and metals. "One day, we'd like to be able to build new products with just recycled materials, including your old products," Apple says on its updated Environment site. In an interview with VICE, Apple vice president of environment, policy and social initiatives Lisa Jackson commented on the mining plan, saying "it's where technology should be going." "We're actually doing something we rarely do, which is announce a goal before we've completely figured out how to do it," Apple's Vice President of Environment, Policy and Social Initiatives and a former head of the EPA, Lisa Jackson, told VICE News during an exclusive visit to Apple's environmental testing lab on Monday. "So we're a little nervous, but we also think it's really important, because as a sector we believe it's where technology should be going. Much of what goes into an iPhone isn't recycled, but Apple wants to change that by more aggressively using components taken from old iPhones and combining that with "high quality recycled metals" purchased from suppliers. Apple will double down on investments like Liam, the robot that breaks iPhones down into component parts, and it plans to continue to encourage customers to return products through the Apple Renew recycling program. While Apple plans to source more of its materials from recycled goods, Jackson says that though a "product that lasts is really important," the company doesn't have plans to make its devices easier to repair to increase longevity. Jackson also defended Apple's history of making products that are hard to repair. Allowing customers to repair Apple products themselves "sounds like an easy thing to say," she said. But "technology is really complex; it is sophisticated to make it work, to ensure that you have security and privacy, [and] that somebody isn't giving you bad parts." Because of this, Apple won't be taking a "right to repair" approach to meeting its environmental goals. "All those things mean that you want to have certified repairs," Jackson said. Other environmental milestones are also outlined in Apple's report. 96 percent of the power used by Apple facilities around the world comes from clean energy sources, and as has been the case for several years, 100 percent of the electricity that powers Apple data centers comes from solar, hydro, and wind energy sources. Apple now has seven suppliers that have committed to using renewable energy, and the company plans to help suppliers bring 4 gigawatts of renewable power online by 2020. When it comes to packaging, more than 99 percent of the packaging used for Apple products is responsibly sourced. Virgin paper is sourced from protected sustainable forests, and the company has successfully protected or created enough working forests to cover all of its packaging needs. Lisa Jackson's full comments on the 2017 environmental report can be read over at VICE, and Apple's full Environmental Responsibility Report, which goes into much more detail on its recycling efforts, packaging, water usage, and carbon footprint, is available here . 1 day ago at 05:17 pm "Climate change" Even if you don't believe in climate change or are dead set against "the liberal agenda," why are you against humans being resourceful instead of wasteful? Rating: 52 Votes 1 day ago at 05:39 pm "Climate change" Regardless of your thoughts on climate why would you not be for this. It's so much more than that hot button. Mining is a disaster for humans and also animal's habitat. And whether you give two

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# Xiaomi Mi 6 Set to Launch Today

Xiaomi Mi 6 launch event will take place in Beijing, China Xiaomi Mi 6 Plus, a larger variant, is expected alongside Xiaomi is also expected to launch the Mi Max 2 phablet The Xiaomi Mi 6 launch event is scheduled to begin at 2pm CST (11:30am IST) on Wednesday at Beijing's University Of Technology Gymnasium. The upcoming Mi 6 smartphone is expected to launch alongside the Xiaomi Mi 6 Plus, a larger variant, while the Mi Max 2 is also expected to be unveiled at the same event. Xiaomi Mi 6 launch event live stream You can watch the Xiaomi Mi 6 launch live stream on the company site. Ahead of the launch, Mi 6 has been leaked on several occasions, and teasers have separately hinted at dual rear cameras and 6GB of RAM. Also anticipated are thin bezels. Xiaomi Mi 6 price and variants As for leaks, let's start with the Xiaomi Mi 6 price. The Mi 6 will reportedly be launched in 4GB of RAM + 64GB storage and 4GB + 128GB variants, priced at CNY 2,199 (roughly Rs. 20,500), and CNY 2,599 (roughly Rs. 24,300), respectively. The bigger Xiaomi Mi 6 Plus, on the other hand, is tipped to be offered in 6GB of RAM + 64GB, 6GB + 128GB, and 6GB + 256GB variants, which will reportedly be priced at CNY 2,699 (roughly Rs. 25,000), CNY 3,099 (roughly Rs. 28,990) and CNY 3,699 (roughly Rs. 34,600), respectively. Xiaomi Mi 6 specifications The big highlight of the Mi 6 is said to be the latest Snapdragon 835 processor integration. It is said to be a big upgrade from the Xiaomi Mi 5, and it is also tipped to sport a dual-edge curved display - at least on one premium variant. From what we know so far, the Xiaomi Mi 6 runs on Android 7.1.1 Nougat - based on a heretofore unreleased version of MIUI, the company's custom ROM. It will feature a 5.1-inch full-HD (1080x1920 pixel) display. Xiaomi has confirmed that there will be 6GB of RAM on board, however it will be available in several RAM/ storage bundles listed above. As for camera, the Mi 6 is tipped to sport a 12-megapixel rear camera with 4K video recording support and an 8-megapixel front snapper capable of 4K recording as well. Meanwhile, the Mi 6 Plus flagship has been tipped to sport a Quad HD 2K OLED display with dual curved edges and dual rear camera setup, while the Mi 6 will allegedly sport a flat display. Both the flagships are expected to come with Qualcomm's Quick Charge 4.0 technology for fast charging support. The smartphone is also expected to house a 4000mAh battery, although this will likely be for the Mi 6 Plus, Xiaomi Mi Max 2 Finally, we come to the Xiaomi Mi Max 2, which is the successor to the Mi Max phablet. Past leaks suggest that the phone will come in variants 4GB RAM + Snapdragon 626 SoC and 6GB RAM + Snapdragon 660 SoC and will be priced between CNY 1,499 (roughly Rs. 14,000) and CNY 1,699 (roughly Rs. 15,900) respectively. The Xiaomi Mi Max 2 is tipped to run Android 7.1.1 Nougat out-of-the-box and sport a 6.44-inch full-HD (1080x1920 pixels) display. The phone is expected to house a large capacity 5000mAh battery. In terms of optics, the smartphone has been tipped to feature a 12-megapixel rear camera with Sony IMX378 sensor

and a 5-megapixel camera at front for taking selfies.

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# Samsung Galaxy S8 and S8+ battery life test result is out

Samsung Galaxy S8 and S8+ battery life test result is out Samsung Galaxy S8 and S8+ battery life test result is out Posted: Tags: T-Mobile - T-Mobile + AT&T -AT&T + Verizon - Verizon + Sprint - Sprint - Samsung - Samsung + Android - Android + We already know that the Samsung Galaxy S8 and S8+ are two incredible phones: they have the stunning, futuristic design, they have the camera and they have the performance, but how do they do in terms of battery life? After all, the Galaxy S8 and S8+ both have the tough task to deal with large, high-res displays and they have a very powerful system chip (for this test, we have the Exynos 8895 version of the phones, we will test the Snapdragon 835 model at a later point in time), both factors that could potentially consume a lot of power. We have tested the Exynos Galaxy S8 and S8+ model To find out about the Galaxy S8 and S8+ battery life, we put them through our standard test that allows us to compare all phones on equal grounds: with the screen set to the same level (200 nits of brightness, comfortable for typical indoor use). Luckily, the Galaxy S8+ does very well in this test and even though it is not the number one battery performer, it is certainly above the average for flagships these days. Note that we have tested using the Full HD+ resolution that our phones came set to by default (1080 x 2220 pixels). Samsung Galaxy S8+ battery test result Battery life (hours) Samsung Galaxy S8+8h (Excellent) Samsung Galaxy S8 8h 22 min (Excellent) Samsung Galaxy S7 edge 7h 18 min (Good) Samsung Galaxy S7 6h 37 min (Average) Apple iPhone 7 Plus 9h 5 min (Excellent) Apple iPhone 7 7h 46 min (Good) LG G6 6h 20 min (Average) Google Pixel XL 7h 19 min (Good) OnePlus 3T 5h 41 min (Average) Huawei P10 7h 42 min (Good) View all The Galaxy S8 and S8+ get similar, but not equal battery life test results. The Galaxy S8+ Exynos model that we tested scored exactly 8 hours, while the more compact S8 Exynos version topped this with a score of 8 hours and 23 minutes. Interestingly, the Snapdragon model of the Galaxy S8 scored less than the Exynos version: it went 10 minutes short of 8 hours. Compare this with the 7 hours and 18 minutes that the already very good Galaxy S7 Edge scored, and you see that Samsung has managed to improve on their last year's phone. The S8 and S8+ also best the Google Pixel XL, the OnePlus 3T, but fall a bit short of the battery life on the iPhone 7 Plus. The Galaxy S8 and S8+ battery will last you through even a very busy day In a nutshell, both the Galaxy S8 with its 3,000 mAh cell, as well as the S8+ with its 3,500 mAh battery run a long time. On a separate note, we have recently noticed that more affordable phones, especially ones with the 14nm Snapdragon 625 system chip, do remarkably well in terms of battery life. In fact, we often get envy-worthy 2-day battery longevity on these phones, while the Galaxy S8 and S8+ are not quite in that territory. Still, when we speak about flagship grade devices, the Galaxy S8+ is definitely among the best out there. With a phone like this, you can be assured that you will get through a busy full day and still have juice left, even if you are a power user, and that is definitely reassuring. Samsung Galaxy S8+ recharge test (0 to 100%) Charging time (minutes)

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# Apple Celebrates Earth Day With New Apple Watch Activity Challenge

Apple Celebrates Earth Day With New Apple Watch Activity Challenge Wednesday April 19, 2017 10:46 am PDT by Juli Clover Ahead of Earth Day, Apple is debuting a new Activity Challenge for Apple Watch owners, which will become available in the Activity app on the iPhone when Thursday, April 20 rolls around. Apple is challenging Apple Watch owners to complete a 30 minute outdoor exercise activity on Earth Day, which is Saturday, April 22. For finishing the challenge, Apple Watch owners will be rewarded with an exclusive Earth Day award and stickers that can be used in the Messages app. Get outside and celebrate Earth Day on April 22 and earn this award. Go for a walk, run, cycle, wheelchair, or swim workout of 30 minutes or more in the Workout app or in any third party app that writes these workouts to Health. You will also earn special stickers for Messages. This is the third public Apple Watch challenge Apple has debuted since the Apple Watch launched in 2015. On Thanksgiving, Apple challenged Apple Watch owners to run 3.1 miles as part of a Thanksgiving Day Challenge, and on New Year's, Apple encouraged Apple Watch owners to "Ring In The New Year" by closing all three Activity rings each day for a week in January. Earth Day Challenge stickers in Messages In honor of Earth Day, Apple employees are also transitioning to green shirts starting on April 20, and Apple will decorate its retail stores around the world with special logos that feature a green leaf accent. 15 hours ago at 10:59 am Call me a skeptic, but won't this create more CO2 than just sitting on the couch?;) 15 hours ago at 11:18 am Are people really obsessed with badges and emojis? Jeebuz! Closing rings and earning badges is empowering and fun. Emojis not. Rating: 5 Votes 15 hours ago at 11:04 am Very cool. I really enjoy these extra activity challenges. Rating: 5 Votes Kaibelf 14 hours ago at 12:45 pm My favorite earth day commemoration from Apple was when they decided that enabling a longer lifespan for these machines is important to reduce waste and additional resources used in the manufacturing process, so they started to build the computers and phones in a way that is easily maintained and upgraded by the user. This showed they really, actually cared about the environment, and not just the bottom line. Give it a rest. I have a 2006 model iMac in my home right now that still works perfectly well with no issues, and I'm sure I'm not the only one who can attest to the fact that their hardware outlives most of the competition easily. Rating: 5 Votes 15 hours ago at 11:17 am Are people really obsessed with badges and emojis? Jeebuz! Have you been to the internets? Fake points and gamification are all the rage. Rating: 4 Votes thespacekid 15 hours ago at 11:36 am Lol....creating cute stickers to celebrate earth day while bulldozing hundreds of acres of trees to build the monstrosity of a campus. And jetting around the world to receive awards is helpful too. Rating: 4 Votes 15 hours ago at 11:07 am After I couldn't win the Jan 2017 one, I am so winning this! Wish badges and Activity data synced with iCloud, it will suck to lose all my data when iOS 11 is released and I wipe the phone entirely :c Rating: 4 Votes macduke 16 hours ago at 10:51 am Hah, I'll be photographing an outdoor charity event for my work for about half the day on Saturday. This will be easy! Supposed to be 45 degrees with 45mph winds and pouring rain though. Today it's 85 and sunny. Yay Earth! Rating: 3 Votes Kaibelf 14 hours ago at 12:41 pm Can't wait for my CrappleWATCH to somehow acknowledge only 29 minutes of my 30 minute outdoor exercise as "exercise" because of the terrible accuracy of the heart rate monitor ... resulting in not receiving yet another challenge medallion of absolutely zero value. You're welcome to sell it and move to a Galaxy Gear if you hate it so much. The door's right there. [doublepost=1492631019][/doublepost] Have you been to the internets? Fake points and gamification are all the rage. I'd opine that it's more productive to those involved than sitting around mocking people who are trying to stay fit and enjoy their lives. Rating: 3 Votes 13 hours ago at 01:11 pm Are people really obsessed with badges and emojis? Jeebuz! When I was in business school we did a case study on a company where the manager would give one employee every week a cash bonus of one penny. Office morale and productivity went up not because of the monetary value, but because everyone wants to be recognized. Badges and emoji gives you a tangible short term goal to work toward and a reward for achieving it. That's all it takes to motivate some people, including myself, Rating: 3 Votes

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# Xiaomi Mi 6 Press Renders, Specifications Leaked Hours Before Launch

Xiaomi Mi 6 Press Renders, GFXBench Results Leak Hours Before Launch Mi 6 set to launch in Beijing at 11:30am IST GFXBench listing confirms a dual camera setup Xiaomi Mi 6 tipped to sport a glass back Chinese giant Xiaomi is gearing up for the launch event of the Mi 6 scheduled an hour from now, and the leaks refuse to stop. Just ahead of the launch, Xiaomi Mi 6 press renders have been leaked giving us a front and back look at the device, and the flagship was also spotted on GFXBench revealing interesting specification details. Of course, the company has already confirmed dual rear camera, 6GB of RAM, and a more prominently curved display. Chinese publication MyDrivers got hold of the Xiaomi Mi 6 renders, and it reveals that the flagship will be unveiled in at least three colour variants - White, Purple, and Black. The images indicate a front and back glass cover, and the renders also show the already confirmed dual camera setup. The fingerprint scanner rests in the front, but the Home Button does not appear to have a physical press, and the scanner is situated underneath the glass it seems. Xiaomi Mi 6 Launch Set for Today: Live Stream, Specifications, Prices, and More Separately, the Xiaomi Mi 6 was also purportedly spotted on GFXBench reiterating that the flagship will sport 12-megapixel dual camera sensors at the rear. The listing also reveals that the smartphone will run on Android 7.1.1 Nougat out of the box and sport a 5.1-inch full-HD (1080x1920 pixels) display. It will be powered by the Snapdragon 835 chipset with Adreno 640 GPU. RAM/ storage bundles include 4GB RAM/ 64GB storage, and 6GB RAM/ 128GB storage. At the front, the Xiaomi Mi 6 sports an 8-megapixel sensor, according to the listing. Xiaomi Mi 6 to Launch Wednesday: Price, Specifications, Design and Everything We Know So Far Other specs not listed but leaked previously hint at a 3200mAh battery. There's also the larger Xiaomi Mi 6 Plus flagship tipped to launch alongside, and it is expected to sport a Quad HD 2K OLED display with dual curved edges and dual rear camera setup, while the Mi 6 will allegedly sport a flat display. Both the flagships are expected to come with Qualcomm's Quick Charge 4.0 technology for fast charging support. The Mi 6 Plus is expected to house a 4000mAh battery. As for price, the Mi 6 will reportedly be launched in 4GB of RAM + 64GB storage and 4GB + 128GB variants, priced at CNY 2,199 (roughly Rs. 20,500), and CNY 2,599 (roughly Rs. 24,300), respectively. The bigger Xiaomi Mi 6 Plus, on the other hand, is tipped to be offered in 6GB of RAM + 64GB, 6GB + 128GB, and 6GB + 256GB variants, which will reportedly be priced at CNY 2,699 (roughly Rs. 25,000), CNY 3,099 (roughly Rs. 28,990) and CNY 3,699 (roughly Rs. 34,600), respectively.