

Microsoft Transparency Report Under Rule 4 (d) of the Information Technology (Guidelines for Intermediaries and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021

The following monthly transparency report is published in accordance with Rule 4 (d) of the Information Technology (Guidelines for Intermediaries and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021, for the following time period:

Table 1: Summary of Complaints Received and Content Actioned

Time Period	Number of Complaints Received ¹	Number of Content Actioned ² as Result of Complaints Received	Number of Content Actioned by Proactive Measures ³
December 1 – December 31, 2024	237	5	14

Table 2: Complaints Received and Content Actioned by Content Policy (December 1 – December 31, 2024)

Content Policy	Number of Complaints Received ¹	Number of Content Actioned ² as Result of Complaints Received	Number of Content Actioned by Proactive Measures ³
Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse	5	0	0
Terrorism and Violent Extremism	3	0	3
Violent Threats, Incitement, and Glorification of Violence	0	0	0
Bullying and Harassment	20	1	0
Nudity, Pornography, and Inappropriate Content	28	3	11
Hate Speech	24	1	0
Fraud, Scams, Phishing ⁴	152	0	0
Intellectual Property Infringement	2	0	0
Virus, spyware, or malware	3	0	0

(1) This represents the total number of complaints received from individual users located in India via designated mechanisms during the one-month reporting period (i.e., from December 1 – December 31, 2024).

(2) Content Actioned refers to when a piece of user-generated content such as images and videos, is removed from our services and/or user access to a piece of user-generated content is restricted during the reporting period. As described above, we receive complaints for a variety of reasons. A single complaint may specify multiple pieces of content that potentially relate to the same or different content policy. When we receive complaints from individual users regarding allegedly unlawful or harmful content, we assess each piece of content to determine if it violates our Code of Conduct or content policies.

(3) This represents the number of Content Actioned from users in India as a result of proactive detection processes during the one-month reporting period (i.e., from December 1 – December 31, 2024). In addition to complaints from users, as outlined in (1), we invest in technologies to detect and remove harmful content from our services. This includes using proactive detection processes for some of our services to prevent the dissemination of harmful content such as child sexual exploitation and abuse imagery and terrorist and violent extremist content.

(4) Fraud and spam are consolidated into one complaint category in the product’s reporting tool portal: “Fraud or spam.” About 46 of the 152 “fraud, scams, and phishing” complaint items were classified by the human moderation team as ‘Spam’ and were actioned on.

Grievances from users in India (December 1 – December 31, 2024)

During the reporting period of December 1 – December 31, 2024 Microsoft received zero complaints via the Indian grievance mechanism concerning the in-scope service and list of prohibited content in accordance with Rule 4 (d) of the Information Technology (Guidelines for Intermediaries and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021.