Point and shoot

Photography enthusiasts get a 108MP dual camera and a 50MP front shooter for sharp selfies. Features like Night Mode 3.0, Flash Shot 2.0, and gesture-based selfies.







Game on!

The Gaming Outfit is designed to elevate your mobile gaming experience, featuring tactile buttons that offer a more responsive and precise feel. No more fiddly controls!



Glow getters

The Flashy Outfit is perfect for content creators, featuring a 16-million-color RGB LED flash ring that adds customisable lighting to your photos and videos.



HOT FIVE #2

OUTFIT THAT SMARTPHONE

HMD Fusion

This HMD smartphone brings a little something extra to the table—it comes with Smart Outfits. These snap-on accessories tweak the phone's look and level up its functionality. There's a Gaming Outfit with tactile buttons to make your mobile gaming less fiddly and the Flashy Outfit comes with a 16-million-color RGB LED flash ring, ideal for content creators. For everyday use, there's the Casual Outfit. These outfits snap on using six specialised Smart pins.Powering the HMD Fusion is the Snapdragon 4 Gen 2 processor, backed by 8GB of RAM and 256GB of expandable storage. It also packs virtual memory extension tech for a performance boost. The phone sports a 6.56-inch HD+ display with a 90Hz refresh rate and runs on Android 14 right out of the box. A 5000mAh battery with 33W fast charging keeps it ticking. Durability gets a nod with HMD's Gen2 repairability design that lets you swap out parts like the display, battery, or charging port with a simple screwdriver. HMD says this approach extends the phone's lifespan and keeps e-waste in check.

As hot as... your trigger finger

₹17,999 / hmd.com

A crisp performer

The M27QA has been chilling on our desk for the past month looking all sleek and minimalist, it seems like a great deal...

₹29,900 / gigabyte.com/in

■ The M27QA ICE is white, which immediately makes it stand out from the other black-coloured monitors we've tested so far. It blends with my white workbench for my setup, so I quite like it. However, some competitive gamers might find the white bezels a bit distracting.

■ This monitor can easily adjust to any desk aesthetic, gaming or work. The monitor only has height and tilt adjustments and doesn't have swivel, pivot and screen rotation adjustments. Even the VESA mount at the back for a monitor arm requires longer thread screws so in case you're planning to position this as per your preference.

■ Now the M27QA isn't a segment shaker in its price range but it's got one thing going for it and that's colour. The 27-inch QHD IPS panel delivers stunning visuals, with vibrant colours and crisp details. It doesn't have the punchy contrast of an OLED monitor but at this price point, the Gigabyte is good for SDR.

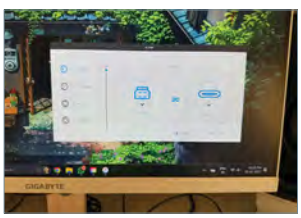
■ The colours are calibrated well and between a BenQ and LG monitor at this price, the Gigabyte has better colour calibration. There's very little banding here and the colour uniformity is one of the best.



Good colour, but not in HDR
However, the HDR performance is a bit disappointing. It doesn't bring any noticeable improvement in contrast or brightness.

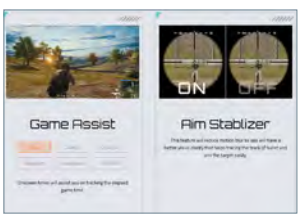
Tech specs

Display 27in 2560 x 1440 (IPS) **Refresh Rate** 180Hz **Response Time** 1ms **Display Colours** 95% DCI-P3 **Brightness** 350 nits **Connectivity** 2xHDMI (2.0) 1xDisplayPort, 1xUSB-C, 2xUSB 3.2



■ Switching in

KVM, a Gigabyte-exclusive feature, lets you connect one keyboard and mouse to the monitor and then control multiple devices and switch between them seamlessly. A mac for work and PC for gaming? No problem.



■ Switching it up

There are several Gigabyte's proprietary features like OSD Sidekick software, Black Equalizer, and Aim Stabilizer for even more control over your gaming experience to fine-tune the display.

STUFF SAYS Great colour and contrast, this is easy to recommend ★★★★☆

Can I use it with my console?
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For console gamers, you only get HDMI 2.0 port here which means you don't get ALLM and VRR features. It would've been nice to have, especially in 2025. The 180Hz refresh rate and 1ms (MPRT) response time ensure buttery-smooth gameplay, even in fast-paced action scenes. And with AMD FreeSync Premium support, you can say goodbye to screen tearing and stuttering.

You take my breath away

If you're reading this in Delhi or Mumbai, chances are you're now getting serious about buying an air purifier, and we're here to help. Here are two of the best!

Dyson Purifier Cool Gen1 TP10

What's the story?
First impressions? This thing looks like it was teleported straight from a sci-fi film set. The bladeless design is classic Dyson, all smooth curves and minimalist chic. It's the kind of gadget that screams "I'm expensive" (and it is!), but also whispers "I'm incredibly effective". The Gen1 comes in white to match your swanky Mumbai apartment, and its compact size means it won't hog your precious floor space.

Is it any good?
The Gen1 boasts a HEPA filter, which is basically the superhero of the air filtration world. This filter captures 99.95% of particles as small as 0.1 microns. Think pollen, dust mites, mould spores, and even those pesky PM2.5 particles that are turning Mumbai's skyline into a hazy mess. The HEPA H13 filter also has a layer of activated carbon which removes odours and gases including VOCs.

But how does it actually feel? Well, imagine breathing in the crisp air of the Western Ghats after a monsoon shower. It's also surprisingly quiet, even on full blast, which is a godsend in a city that never sleeps. The oscillation feature ensures that clean air is distributed evenly throughout the room, so no corner is left feeling stuffy.

Price from ₹33,900 / dyson.in
Key specs 2-year warranty ● HEPA filter, Active Carbon ● 4.73 kg ● For 872sq.ft

Stuff says ★★★★☆
A pricey but effective air purifier that's perfect for combating Mumbai's smog

Philips Smart Air Purifier AC4221

What's the story?
The AC4221 is a bit of a looker, I must say. It's all smooth curves and minimalist vibes, with a rather fetching AQI ring that glows different colours depending on the air quality. Think of it as a mood ring for your living room, only instead of teenage angst, it's reflecting the presence of pollen, dust, and other microscopic villains. It's not designed to look untraditional like the Dyson but the cylindrical design with vertical slats might attract a gaze or two.

Is it any good?
It's packing a HEPA filter that can capture particles as small as 0.003 microns (that's smaller than a virus, folks!), along with a pre-filter and activated carbon filter to tackle larger particles and odours. It also has two filters instead of one big filter like most air purifiers. The filters sit on the top and bottom of the purifier and the center has the fans to blow out clean air.

There's are sensors which makes the whole experience a lot informative. The Philips air purifier is also smart and has an app and real-time AQI monitoring using location. So you know exactly what the air quality is outside your window. You can even schedule cleaning sessions and adjust the fan speed remotely.

Price from ₹25,995 / domesticappliances.philips.co.in
Key specs 2-year warranty ● HEPA, Active Carbon, Prefilter ● 6.5 kg ● For 6458sq.ft

Stuff says ★★★★☆
A stylish and effective air purifier with smart features!

LET'S TALK A BIT ABOUT THAT HEPA FILTER

● It's not just some marketing gimmick. HEPA stands for High-Efficiency Particulate Air, and it's the gold standard for air purification. These filters are made from a super-fine mesh that traps even the tiniest of particles, preventing them from being recirculated back into your living space. Think of it as a microscopic sieve for your air. With Mumbai's pollution levels reaching alarming heights, a HEPA filter isn't just a luxury, it's practically a necessity. HEPA filters also require fewer changes. While both brands recommend changing the filter after a year, the Dyson costs ₹4990, and the Philips is for ₹6000 (pair). Yes, Philips uses two of these.

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1 Graph-ly speak
The information display is a tiny circular display that shows you a graph of the air quality in your room. Minimalistic and chic, I quite like it.

2 Remote play
Everything is controlled by a remote that magnetically sticks to the top of the air purifier when you're not using it.





3 Three cams
The Philips has a far better touch control interface on the top with mood lighting and with AQI and other pollutants neatly displayed.

4 Classic Glass
It works with Amazon Alexa and Google Assistant, both on iPhone and Android smartphones. The app also reminds you of filter change.