

REVIEW

# Nothing phone (1): The most talked-about gadget of the year

A snazzy smartphone with a neat party trick, squeaky clean software to show off

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The folks at Nothing know very well how to hype a product. The company is, after all, founded by Carl Pei, who is also the founder of OnePlus, which he eventually left to its own devices. It worked for OnePlus; it worked for the Nothing Ear earphones (5.3 lakh units sold) and now in overdrive for the new phone. Of course, hype does not necessarily guarantee a product that justifies the noise. But it could — at least partly.

The Nothing Phone or phone (1), to give it its proper name, is different right from the packaging onwards. It comes in the slimmest phone box I've ever come across. Unlike Apple or Samsung or a host of other companies, there isn't a legacy of chargers lying around. So you will have to buy one — add about ₹2,000 — or will need to use some other phone's charger. There's a uniquely designed SIM ejector pin in the box, but other than that just the cable, literature, and a transparent back case. Oh well.

The phone itself is lightish and fairly slim, except that it's also broad and feels larger than it is.

The design of the phone (1) is a key factor in whether it will be a big hit or not. It's iPhone-shaped with the much-mimicked boxy flat look and general impression it gives. Nothing is happy for everyone to saying its in name in the same breath as the iPhone because they want it to seem like an alternative to that phone. It quite simply isn't, no matter how many elements are lifted off.

**Glyph light show**

The back of the phone (1) is its most unique feature, addressing the sheer boredom everyone is experiencing with these devices all

looking the same, but for minor variations in colour. The glass back is transparent, showing a few of the innards, just as was the case with the ear (1) earphones. There's a black and a white version and both have their own charm. Under that glass are 900 tiny LED lights. It's these that Nothing calls the 'Glyph Interface'. These lights turn on when you open the camera app with the rear lens ready to shoot in the Photo mode. You must have the option turned on from settings to begin with. You can use them as a fill instead of a flash (there's that too). But it is rather bright and can be a little blinding and distracting if you're shooting a person. If you're taking a candid shot, it'll give you away. It works only with the rear camera, not the front since you're shooting yourself.

The Glyph lights have their own tab under the main settings, but you can't do too much with them such as change the colours. The brightness is rather high even at a low level. The more useful thing that the lights do is flash in different patterns for your contacts - you have to choose and set them. The phone has a really fun set of 10 ringtones that are unique and can be mapped to contacts.

The lights flash when you get notifications and show the battery-charging status. All this is a great party trick but time will tell whether users take it beyond the novelty level. Person-

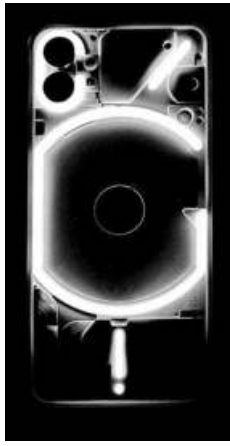


ally, I would turn them off almost immediately. These notification alerts etc require you to place your phone face-down, making one feel a little nervous. The device does come with a protective guard already in place, but still. The lights don't have too much impact on the battery, which is a good thing, but one possible flip-side is if these lights go through their natural life cycle and die out. I'm not sure if there's a way of dealing with that or if it's even a real danger. The lights also have a yellow-green border that's decidedly strange.

**Android power**

The phone (1) is very much an Android phone; in fact more so than usual because the software is mostly Android 12 except for minimal customisation from the NothingOS interface which brings in their special dotted font, icons and elements that go with the design and the Glyph interface and a few more details. Otherwise, it's comparable to the Pixel and comes with no bloatware and other silliness. This is something that the tech savvy and reviewers absolutely love. This squeaky clean experience is truly welcome in a universe of phones where this is hard to find. The phone works very smoothly, specially with the 12GB RAM and 256GB storage.

The chipset, which is a Qualcomm Snapdragon 778G+ 5G. It should have perhaps been from the next level series, but it still does work well for everyday tasks and even a bit of gaming. I found only the very slightest warming up occasionally but certainly



not as much as on most other phones.

The phone (1)'s 6.55-inch display is a perfectly nice OLED that has a brightness level of 500 nits. It should have perhaps been brighter but it does peak at 1200 nits. One of the nicest things is the even and thin edges all around. The screen does have a 120Hz refresh rate raising from 60Hz when given certain

kinds of content that call for it.

The fingerprint sensor is under-display and works adequately though not noticeably rapidly. There are stereo speakers flanking top and bottom but they're just average. This phone doesn't have a headphone jack - not that it was expected. It doesn't have a memory card slot either. It does have IP53 splash resistance, so a few drops won't hurt it. The battery is a 4,500mAh with 33W charging, 15W wireless charging and 5W reverse charging. But no charger. Haptic feedback is nice enough though I personally tend to like it a bit stronger such as on the OnePlus 10 Pro.

The camera set includes a 50MP Sony IMX766 main camera and 50MP Samsung JN1 ultra-wide. The Nord 2T uses the same primary. Images resulting from the primary are good without over-saturating the colours. Night time photos are impressive and noise free. Dynamic range and exposure is good. There is the usual drop in quality with the ultra-wide lens. The front camera does a satisfactory job.

Having had the phone only for a couple of days, I will reserve comments until I've had time to explore it further.

The price of the phone (1) starts from ₹32,999 and goes up to ₹38,999 depending on the RAM and storage variant you choose. It is to be found on Flipkart. It's generally been considered a good price.

GUIDE

# Make life easier with smart home tech

A round-up of the conveniences that connected gadgets can bring you today

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From keeping you entertained when you come back from work to ensuring safety at home while you're away on vacation, these technologies work around the clock to ensure you can have some worry-free time at home. With features that can be customised on a companion app to built-in voice assistants that double up as your 'Man Friday', these gadgets could end up making managing home a whole lot easier.

**Stay secure**



Home cameras add an extra layer of protection by giving you real-time updates of people, pets, and vehicles in and around your house. Choose one that comes with in-built motion detection or one that simply records without panning sideways. Similarly, you can pick between wired and wireless cameras. In areas with extreme weather patterns, outdoor cams that are resistant to rain, heat, and snow would work well. In apartments that already have CCTV cameras outdoors, you can consider having a doorbell camera that lets you check who's visiting. These typically have a built-in microphone and speaker so you can talk to whoever is on the other side before letting them in. Another feature you might want to double-check is the availability of high-definition video footage, and night-vision. Some of the many options available are the Google Nest Cam, Mi 360 Home Security Cam-

era 2K Pro, Qubo Smart Cam 360, and the Godrej Seethu series. The more affordable options might cost around ₹2,000 and the higher-end ones go up to almost ₹30,000 or more.

**Tech to entertain**



Going beyond just entertainment, new-age smart speakers can be used to automate a lot of routines at home. Apart from using it to play music wirelessly, you can "talk" to your speaker and ask it to "Switch off TV at 8 PM", "Change to warm yellow light at 10 PM" or "Play Hip-Hop Favourites now". If you pick one with a digital screen as well - like the Amazon Echo series - you have the added advantage of making video calls, watching media, and displaying family photographs digitally. Some popular options to choose from are the Apple HomePod Mini, Sonos One speaker, the Amazon Echo Show series that come with an HD display, and the Lenovo Smart Clock. In general, smart speakers can cost you anywhere between ₹3,999 and ₹40,000 depending on the company and specs.

**New-age cleaning**



What a relief it would be to never have to sweep the house ever again. That's the advantage of owning a smart vacuum cleaner. These little digital elves are designed to keep your home spotless with minimal effort from your end. You can programme some to start dusting when you leave the house and wrap it up by the time you're back. You can set rules for

which rooms to clean, with what to avoid, and when. With smart sensors, many of these avoid sucking up electrical cords or solid waste and will make their way to the charging dock when low on battery. The battery life, mop functionality, and compatibility with digital assistants like Alexa or Siri are some of the things you might want to check before buying. Consider checking out the latest iRobot Roomba j7+ Robot, Realme TechLife Robot Vacuum, Philips SpeedPro Aqua Cordless Stick and the Dyson V12 Detect Slim Total Clean, among other options. Smart vacuums generally start at a price-point of about ₹20,000 and some of the high-end ones easily cross the ₹1-lakh mark.

**Let there be light**



Life's little comforts now include not having to drowsily get up from bed to switch off the lights before you fall asleep. And, smart lights are the tech that makes it possible. Generally connected to your home Wi-Fi network, and fully customisable through a companion app, these smart lights need no extra wiring or additional equipment to be set up. All of them let you tune into some mood lighting - be it a quiet, mellow night reading in bed or hosting a bunch of friends for a party! You can choose from endless colour options or use some pre-set themes available on the app. You can also automate the timer and schedule functions for the lights to turn on the moment you reach home from work or switch off when you go to bed at night. Companies such as Philips, Mi, Wipro, Syska and Panasonic have a range of LED smart colour bulbs to offer. Generally within the ₹1,000-2,000 range, these are easily the most affordable "smart" gadgets to have at home.

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**NOTICE INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

The Tata Power Company Limited invites Expression of Interest for eligible parties for the Annual Maintenance Contract of Railway track, Signaling and telecommunication (S&T), Operation of Railway cabin and associated systems at the Railway Siding of Malithon Power Limited (MPL), Dhanbad, Jharkhand.

Details of pre-qualification requirements, bid security, purchasing of tender document etc. may be downloaded from the Tender section of our website URL: <https://www.tatapower.com/tender/tenderlist.aspx>. Eligible vendors willing to participate in the tender may submit their Expression of Interest along with the tender fee for issue of bid document latest by 25th July 2022.

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**CORRIGENDUM TO NOTICE INVITING TENDER (NIT)**

The Tata Power Company Limited Issues Corrigendum to the following Notice inviting tenders.

- NIT dated 24th June 2022 for Civil works (Pile foundations) for Replacement of Transmission Line Towers at Vashi and Wagholi Creek in Mumbai (Tender Ref: CC23VM014)
- NIT dated 05th May 2022 for Design, engineering, manufacturing, factory testing, and deliver to site, installation, testing & commissioning (including civil foundation) of Double Circuit Monopole. (Tender Ref: CC22A035)

For updated NIT document, please visit Tender section on website <https://www.tatapower.com>. Interested Vendors to submit Tender Fee and Authorization Letter before 15:00 hrs Tuesday, 26th July 2022. Future corrigendum or addendums, if any, shall be published on the tender section of above mentioned website only.

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**NOTICE OF SIXTY SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, REMOTE E-VOTING INFORMATION AND BOOK CLOSURE**

NOTICE is hereby given that the sixty second Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company will be held through Video Conferencing ("VC")/ Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM") on Friday August 12, 2022 at 4.15 P.M. IST in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") and the Rules made thereunder and the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI Listing Regulations"), read with General Circulars dated April 8, 2020, April 13, 2020, May 15, 2020, September 28, 2020, December 31, 2020, January 13, 2021, December 14, 2021 and May 5, 2022 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") and SEBI Circulars dated May 12, 2020, January 15, 2021 and May 13, 2022 (collectively referred to as "relevant circulars") to transact the businesses set forth in the Notice convening the AGM. The Member will be able to attend the AGM through VC/ OAVM only. Members participating in the meeting through VC/ OAVM facility shall reckoned for the purpose of quorum under Section 103 of the Act.

In compliance with the relevant circulars, the Notice of the AGM and the standalone and consolidated financial statements for the financial year 2021-22, along with Board's Report, Auditor's Report and the other documents required to be attached thereto have been sent on July 20, 2022 to the Members of the Company whose email addresses are registered with the Company / Depository Participant(s) / RTA. The aforesaid documents are also available on the Company's website at [www.elgi.com](http://www.elgi.com) and on the websites of the Stock Exchanges, BSE Limited ("BSE") and National Stock Exchange of India Ltd ("NSE") at [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com) and [www.nseindia.com](http://www.nseindia.com), respectively and on the website of Link Intime India Private Limited ("LIPL") at <https://instavote.linkintime.co.in>.

The voting rights of members shall be in proportion to the equity shares held in the paid-up share capital of the Company as on the "cut-off date" i.e., Friday, August 5, 2022.

In compliance with Section 108 of the Act, read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, ("Rules") and Regulation 44 of SEBI Listing Regulations members are provided with the facility to exercise their right to vote on the resolutions proposed to be passed at the AGM as set forth in the Notice of AGM, using an electronic voting system ("remote e-voting"), provided by LIPL.

Further the facility for voting through electronic voting system will also be made available at the AGM and the members attending the AGM who have not cast their vote(s) by remote e-voting will be able to vote at the AGM. A member may participate in the AGM even after exercising his right to vote through remote e-voting but shall not be allowed to vote again in the meeting. The manner of remote e-voting and e-voting at the AGM by the members holding shares in dematerialised mode, physical mode and for members who have not registered their email addresses is provided in the Notice of the AGM and is also available on the Company's website at [www.elgi.com](http://www.elgi.com), and on the websites of the Stock Exchanges, BSE and NSE at [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com) and [www.nseindia.com](http://www.nseindia.com) respectively and on the website of LIPL at <https://instavote.linkintime.co.in>.

The remote e-voting period commences on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 from (9.00 a.m. IST) and ends on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at (5.00 p.m. IST). The remote e-voting shall not be allowed beyond the said date and time.

A person who has acquired shares and become a member of the Company as on the cut-off date i.e., Friday, August 5, 2022 only shall be entitled to avail the facility of remote e-voting or for participation at the AGM and e-voting at the AGM. Any person, who acquires shares of the Company and becomes a Member of the Company after the Notice has been sent electronically by the Company and holds shares as on the cut-off date may obtain the login ID and password by following the instructions given in the AGM Notice.

For details relating to remote e-voting, please refer to the Notice of the AGM. If you have any queries relating to remote e-voting, please refer the Frequently Asked Questions ("FAQs") and Instavote e-Voting manual available at <https://instavote.linkintime.co.in>, under Help Section or write an e-mail to [enotices@linkintime.co.in](mailto:enotices@linkintime.co.in) or Call us at Tel: 022 - 49186000. In case of any grievances connected with facility for voting by electronic voting means, you can write an email to [instameet@linkintime.co.in](mailto:instameet@linkintime.co.in) or Call us at Tel: (022-49186175).

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 91 of the Act, read with Rule made thereunder and Regulation 44 of SEBI Listing Regulations, the Register of Members and Share Transfer Books shall remain closed from Saturday, August 6, 2022 to Friday, August 12, 2022 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of AGM and payment of dividend for the financial year 2021-22.

By Order of the Board  
For Elgi Equipments Limited  
S Prakash  
Company Secretary

July 21, 2022  
Coimbatore

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**EXTRACT OF AUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS OF SASKEN AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**  
(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended June 30, 2022	Quarter ended March 31, 2022	Quarter ended June 30, 2021	For the year ended March 31, 2022
1.	Total income from operations	9,565.32	11,377.54	12,040.38	46,924.09
2.	Net profit for the period (before tax)	2,023.04	3,394.60	4,129.10	15,785.18
3.	Net profit for the period after tax	1,523.12	2,687.87	3,399.78	12,824.61
4.	Total comprehensive income for the period [comprising profit for the period (after tax) and other comprehensive income (after tax)]	1,235.61	2,817.27	3,344.82	12,749.00
5.	Paid up equity share capital	1,505.09	1,505.09	1,505.09	1,505.09
6.	Reserves (excluding revaluation reserve) as shown in the audited Balance Sheet of FY22	-	-	-	63,849.16
7.	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each)*				
1.	Basic	10.13	17.87	22.63	85.31
2.	Diluted	10.07	17.80	22.63	85.22
8.	Total income**	7,931.75	10,261.28	11,236.98	43,133.38
9.	Profit before tax**	1,340.61	3,181.91	4,317.16	15,625.34
10.	Profit after tax**	974.99	2,572.67	3,595.46	12,830.10

\* EPS is not annualised for the quarter ended June 30, 2022, March 31, 2022 and June 30, 2021.  
\*\* information pertains to Sasken Technologies Limited on a standalone basis.

Note: The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly Financial Results are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange(s) and the Company.

For Sasken Technologies Limited  
Rajiv C. Mody  
Chairman & Managing Director  
DIN:00092037

Place: Bengaluru  
Date: July 20, 2022

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**NOTICE**

1. Approval under Regulation-86 of CERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations'1999 and CERC (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations' 2019 for determination of Transmission Tariff from Actual/Proposed DOCO to 31-03-2024 for Asset-1: 500 MVA, 400/220kV ICT along with associated bays at Gazuwaka Substation, Asset-2: 1X125 MVAR, 420 kV Bus Reactor along with associated bays at Madhugiri (Tumkur) 400kV Substation, Asset-3: 1X125 MVAR, 420 kV Bus Reactor along with associated bays at Dharampuri 400kV Substation, Asset-4: 1X125 MVAR, 420 kV Bus Reactor along with associated bays at Hour 400kV Substation, Asset-5: 1X125 MVAR, 420 kV Bus Reactor along with associated bays at Hiriyur 400kV Substation, Asset-6: 1X125 MVAR, 420 kV Bus Reactor along with associated bays at Pugalur 400kV Substation and Asset-7: 2X125 MVAR, 420 kV Bus Reactor along with associated bays at Pugalur HVDC (GIS) 400kV Substation under System Strengthening-XXV in Southern Region.

2. The beneficiaries of the above mentioned Transmission system are: (a) TANGEDCO (b) APTRANSCO (c) KSEB (d) TSSPDCL (e) Electricity Dept. of Goa (f) Electricity Dept. of Puducherry (g) APEPDCL (h) APSDCL (i) TSNPDCL (j) Chamundeswari Electricity Supply Corporation Ltd. (k) BESCOM (l) GESCOM (m) HESCOM (n) MESCOM

3. Tariff details:

Name of the Asset	Asset-1	Asset-2	Asset-3	Asset-4	Asset-5	Asset-6	Asset-7
Schedule DOCO (FR)	03.07.2021						
DOCO (Actual)	3,7,2021	1,9,2021	30,9,2021	1,10,2021	30,10,2021	22,12,2021	21,2,2022
Estimated Completion							
Cost (Rs in Lakhs)	3711.23	1193.99	1147.61	1298.45	1324.07	1338.45	3791.59
Tariff for year: 2019-24 (Rs in Lakhs)							
2019-20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2020-21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2021-22	453.28	101.48	89.13	96.98	82.80	52.80	56.47
2022-23	683.02	204.32	203.43	223.21	226.02	226.08	576.00
2023-24	677.17	214.24	209.46	229.73	232.35	238.49	612.65

4. A copy of the application made for determination of tariff is posted on the website of the applicant at [www.powergrid.in](http://www.powergrid.in)

5. The suggestions and objections, if any, on the proposals for determination of tariff contained in the application be filed by any person, including the beneficiary before the Secretary, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, 3 & 4th floor, Chandralok Building, Janpath, New Delhi - 110 001 (or other address where the office of the Commission is situated), with a copy to the applicant at the address of its corporate office within 30 days of publication of this notice.

Place: Gurgaon  
Date: 14.07.2022  
Sd/-  
Chief GM (Commercial)

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