

Twitter to expand voice messaging to DMs

Twitter has begun testing its new voice messaging feature for direct messages on its social media platform. This feature is being rolled out gradually in India, Brazil, and Japan starting from 17th February. Voice DMs extend the voice notes sending ability as direct messages and each DM can be a maximum of 140 seconds long. The new feature is currently being tested for both Android and iOS users.

You can open an existing conversation in your DMs on Twitter or you can start a new one. Sending a voice DM is quite easy. Tap the “voice recording” icon to start recording your message and to stop recording again press this icon. It also provides the facility to listen to your message before sending it. iOS users can also “press and hold” the “voice recording” icon to start recording a message and swipe up and release the icon to send the recording immediately after they are done talking.

Sending voice DMs on Twitter is now available only for iOS and Android users but users can listen to the messages they receive even through a web browser. Twitter tells, “This feature will give users more ways to express themselves and create a more human experience for storytellers and listeners alike.”

Managing Director of Twitter India, Manish Maheshwari, “India is a priority market for Twitter and that is why we’re constantly testing new features and learning from people’s experience on the service here. We’re excited to bring the voice messages in DMs experiment to the country and give people a new way to express themselves and help them connect through the nuances, emotion, and empathy built by hearing someone’s voice.”

Twitter first introduced audio messaging with voice tweets last year in June. Audio messaging allows users to send voice notes with or without accompanying them with text.