

# INDIA BANS 47 MORE CHINESE MOBILE APPS

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Nearly a month after banning 59 Chinese mobile applications, the Union government has banned 47 more that included TikTok Lite, Helo Lite and Shareit Lite. The order was issued on Friday.

While there has been no official communication on the matter, government sources said the newly banned apps were mainly clones of the banned 59.

The Ministry of Electronics and IT banned the 59 apps, including popular ones such as TikTok, Shareit, Mi Video Call, Club Factory and Cam Scanner, citing threat to national security and sovereignty.

The announcement, which came amid tensions between Indian and China in Ladakh, had stated, "... in view of the emergent nature of threats, [the government] has decided to block 59 apps... in view of information available [that] they are engaged in activities which are prejudicial to sovereignty and integrity of India, defence of India, security of state and public order."

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