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AI background in video calls

Meta is bringing the ability for users to create AI backgrounds that can be used during video calls. For example, if a user is on a video call celebrating a birthday party, they can create a birthday-themed background using AI and use it throughout the call. To create a personalized AI background, users simply tap the effects icon in the sidebar menu of the video call and select 'Backgrounds'.

HD video calling and background noise reduction

HD video calling was one of the most requested features by Messenger users. Meta finally gave in to the community with new HD video calling support, along with background noise cancellation and voice isolation, for a better video calling experience on Messenger.



Additionally, HD resolution will be set as the default for calls made over WiFi. Of course, users can also enable HD mode for video calls made over mobile data by going into the call settings menu and enabling the new 'Mobile data for HD video' option. Background noise cancellation and voice isolation can also be turned on and off through this same settings menu.

Audio and video messages

Messenger finally supports audio and video messages. When the call recipient is not available, callers can leave an audio or video message. To send an audio or video message, users just need to use the newly added "Record message" button.

Hands-free calling and texting on iOS

For Messenger iOS users, Meta has added the ability for users to ask Siri to send messages on Messenger. Users can send messages by saying "Hey Siri, send a message to Alex on Messenger" and then reading the message.

With the additional features in the new update, Messenger users can expect a much more enjoyable and efficient calling experience.

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