

# Tech Platforms are Racing to Combat Misinformation Before Elections. Is it Too Little, Too Late? | Poynter

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This month, elections kick off in at least five countries around the world. As a result, Facebook and other tech platforms have been doing some last-minute preparation to try to protect their platforms from misinformation.

In India, where voters have [been stricken with misinformation](#) in the lead-up to the start of the general election this week, WhatsApp [announced](#) a new research project aimed at learning how rumors spread on the messaging app. That move, which launched just last week and was initially billed as a verification project ([it isn't](#)), came [more than a year after](#) fact-checkers started debunking hoaxes on their own institutional accounts.

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