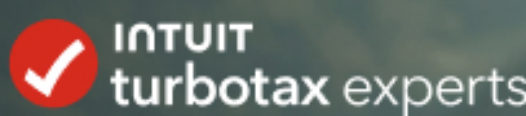


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By Reuters

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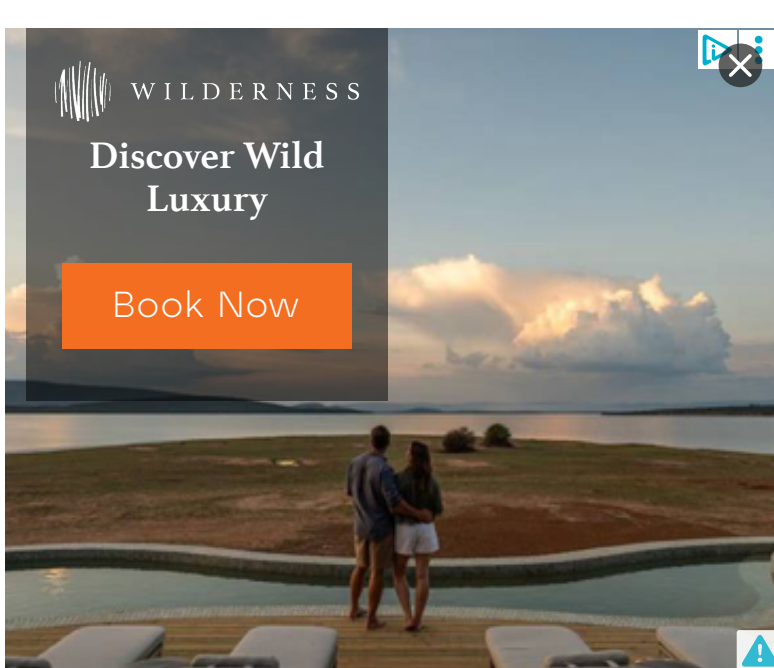
Jan 13 (Reuters) - Google ([GOOGL](#)) will start developing and manufacturing high-end smartphones in Vietnam this year, Nikkei Asia reported on Tuesday, citing sources familiar with the matter.

Google already has a large network of suppliers in Vietnam that assemble its products, including Pixel smartphones.

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Google will begin new product introductions (NPI) for its Pixel, Pixel Pro, and Pixel Fold phones in Vietnam, with development of the lower-end Pixel A series remaining in China for now, the report said.

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NPI is a critical phase in launching a new electronics device, involving process development, verification, and refinement, the report added.

Google already mass-produces high-end smartphones in Vietnam and conducts some verification there, so building new phones from scratch in the country should be achievable, the report said.

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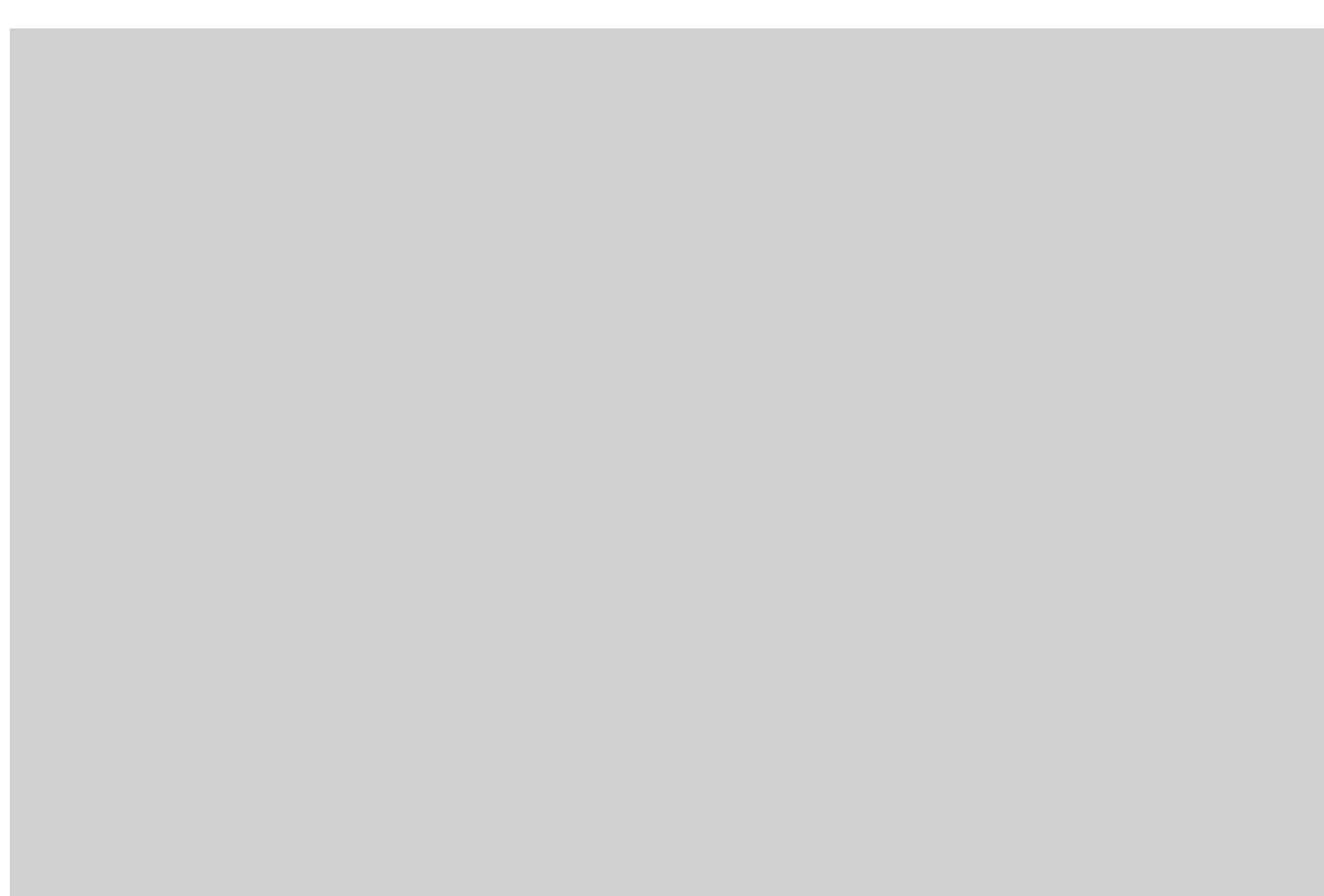
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