OBS Studio NVENC codec error

Go through the information given below if you get an error as shown below while pressing the start recording button for the first time:

Error: Here, the message says that *Failed to open NVENC codec: Unknown error occurred. Please check your video drivers are up to date.*

	Failed to start recording		×
	Failed to open NVENC codec: Generic error in an e library	external	
	Check your video drivers are up to date. Try closir recording software which might be using NVENC NVIDIA Shadowplay or Windows 10 Game DVR.	ng other such as	
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Solution:

1. Click on the **Settings** button on the bottom right corner.



2. Click on the **Output** tab in the Settings Dialog box.

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General	Output Mode			
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	Video Bitrate	2500 Kbps	$\hat{}$	
Output	Encoder	Software (x264)		
Audio	Audio Bitrate	320		
Video		Enable Advanced Encoder Settings		
Hotkeys	Recording			
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Advanced		Generate File Name without Space		
	Recording Quality			
	Recording Format			
	Encoder			
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		Enable Replay Buffer		
	Warning: Recording with usage If you stream and	a software encoder at a different quality than the stream will require extra CPU record at the same time.	ОК	

Under Streaming section change Encoder >> Hardware (NVENC) to Software (x264) by clicking on the dropdown.

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 Same way under the Recording section change Encoder >> Hardware (NVENC) to Software (x264) by clicking on the dropdown.

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		Generate File Name without Space	
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	Recording Format	mkv	
	Encoder	Software (x264)	
	Custom Muxer Settings		
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5. Finally click on the **Apply** button and then on the **OK** button at the bottom right corner to save the settings.