

Politics of Corpses



Another terrorist attack. Scores dead. Because corpses are more valuable in this world than lives. Corpses help shape opinions. Corpses justify further piles of corpses. In this vicious cycle of violence some corpses are seemingly more important than others. Some corpses induce global rage, while some fail to get acknowledgement outside a village/city/country. Folks are chastised for mourning some deaths and not others. Lines are drawn based on the colour of your skin, your nationality, your creed, political ideologies. Because "You are either with us or against us." Because apparently, you cannot have peace without war.

Yes. The politics of corpses is a grave business. Shed your tears wisely.

— Karim Waheed, Editor, SHOUT

THIS WEEK'S HORRORSCOPE

ARIES



There exists a pair of trousers that can fold itself into its own pocket in your future.

TAURUS



Never trust someone who suddenly gets urges to be Italian in the middle of the night.

GEMINI



Calling in your connections to alter the metric scale so you weigh less is just lazy.

CANCER



The Germans waited on you long enough. Give them bratwurst now!

LEO



Take photo. Then scan it. Then take a photo of that. Then scan again. Repeat ad infinitum.

VIRGO



If your company's insurance policy doesn't cover bear attacks then you can do better.

LIBRA



Some of you SHOUT fans are alright. Don't go to your newsstand next week.

SCORPIO



Memorise where you live in case the map you have tattooed to your belly disappears.

SAGITTARIUS



Increase production for bear attack insurance policies. The demand will skyrocket shortly.

CAPRICORN



The hand that feeds you tastes much better than the stuff it's been feeding you.

AQUARIUS



Don't give your employees bear attack insurance. They don't have a union. You've got this.

PISCES



Throw away the key to your mouth. Only a prince with lockpicking skills can save you.

MIXTAPE

FOLK

Anusheh
Anadil
Hrid Majhare

Paban Das
Baul
Dil Ki Doya

Ajob
Bhobotaane

Momotaz
Jodi Beheshte
Jaite Chao

Ayub Bachchu
Ek Akasher Tara

APP REVIEW

PIXLY

TAIMUR RAHMAN

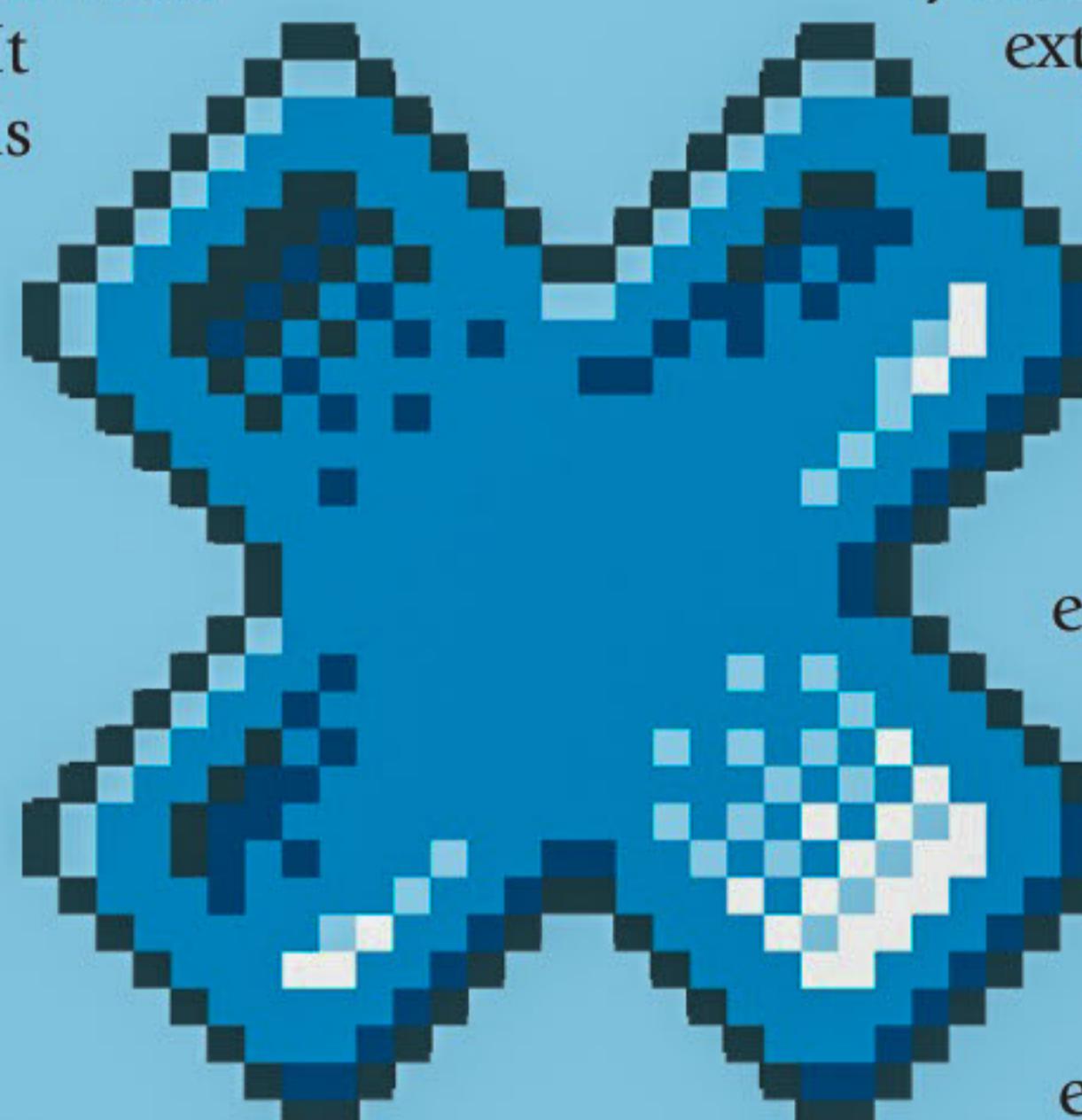
Overall: 4.5/5

Platforms: Android

Pixly lets you make pixel art on your Android phone or tablet and is arguably the best app to do so.

It has a pixelated interface that takes a bit of time to get used to. It has several tools that work well on such a small scale. As you zoom in, the canvas turns into gridlines to make it simpler to make finer, more detailed art. To make things even easier, you can set up a preference image to base your pixel art on, which I found to be the most useful feature on this app.

Best of all, it has minimal advertisements and is cost free. Compared to other similar apps on the Playstore, Pixly is the most professional at what it does. This is THE go to app if



you wish to be an indie game developer as it makes creating pixel art very easy. Not only can you make standalone pictures, Pixly allows you to make animated gifs as well.

There are very few drawbacks to Pixly. I'd say I found the touchscreen quite shoddy since it selects a different tool without

you knowing. In extension, I would like a palette editor (similar to the one on Irfan View) on

Pixly to make it easier to make 8-bit or 16-bit drawings.

Another drawback is its exclusiveness on Android. Sorry iOS users.

Verdict: If you are not comfortable drawing pixel art on a PC, this is your next best option. Remember, it's not the app's fault if you can't draw well.

Taimur Rahman is a man of few words. He can be reached at taimurrahman98@gmail.com