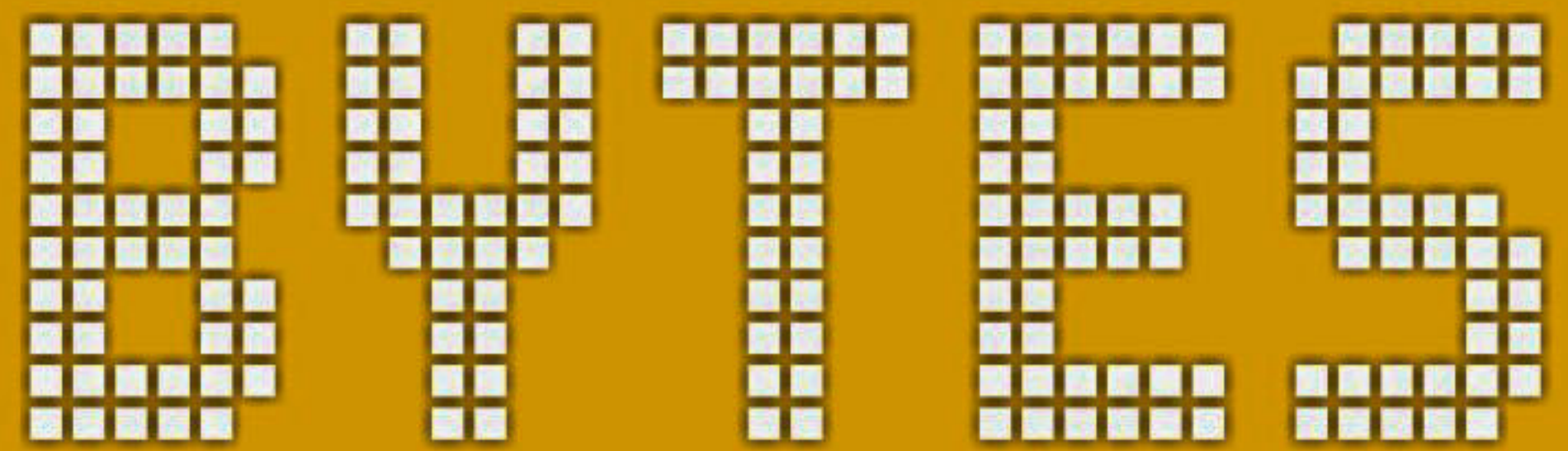




The power to do more

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# FOR A BETTER WORLD

## TOP 5 TECH TYCOONS WHO ARE GIVING AWAY MOST OF THEIR FORTUNE



There is a famous saying: 'We rise by lifting others'. The humble feeling of giving back to the community is really awesome. Especially if you have bank balance of billions, even millions; you can easily spend a generous amount on charities. Whether genuinely concerned about making the world a better place or just to be on the headlines-- or, yes, to soften the punches of taxation -- today's tech tycoons are forming trust funds and flooding their favourite charities. Here's a list of top five tech billionaires who gave (or will be giving) away most of their assets:

### HONORABLE MENTIONS

ORACLE FOUNDER  
**LARRY ELLISON**

GOOGLE CEO  
**LARRY PAGE**

TESLA, SPACEX & PAY-PAL  
CO-FOUNDER  
**ELON MUSK**

# THE HOUR OF CODING IS NOW!

Let's face it, coding to a layman does not seem like an easy task. It's sad but true that being an Engineer, I am partially when it comes to the world of coding, and I strictly restrict myself from being involved with something that seems so complex to me. With groundbreaking technological advancements across the world, I too have lately been curious about coding and have even considered whether I should try to learn how to code. Lucky for me the hour of code is here. If you have been living under a rock then let me explain: Hour of code is an initiative from the non-profit site Code.org where you dedicate at least an hour of your time to learn about coding. It's backed and supported by notable celebs globally and is catching on in Bangladesh too.

The 3rd annual Hour of Code is underway from 7th - 13th December. The primary aim of this event is to get more people, especially students, introduced to the basics of coding by providing a variety of educational tools online. Keeping up with the world more than 400 institute in Bangladesh will observe Hour of Code in Bangladesh this year.

This year's biggest event in Bangladesh is being hosted by Coder'sTrust, a Danish microfinance and programming skills provider. They have already partnered up with Microsoft, UNDP, Bank of Asia, BRAC to celebrate this event today. Anybody can participate by signing up for a session in one of the following venues in Dhaka: Daffodil International University (DIU), Northern University Bangladesh (NUB), United International University (UIU), BD Jobs, American International University Bangladesh (AIUB), Coderstrust office, or online.

In addition to that, Bangladesh Open Source Network (BdOSN) is celebrating Hour of Code by organizing online programming contest, national girls programming contest etc.

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**Bill Gates**  
Co-Founder, Microsoft  
AGE: 60  
NET WORTH: \$79.5 Billion  
PLEDGE: Already donated \$34.6 Billion+, planning to spend another \$20 Billion

In the next 15 years, we can halve childhood deaths. That's doable.



**Mark Zuckerberg**  
Co-Founder, Facebook  
AGE: 31  
NET WORTH: \$44.6 Billion  
PLEDGE: To donate 99% of his Facebook shares. Already donated \$1 Billion+

We will give 99% of our Facebook shares during our lives to join many others in improving this world for the next generation.



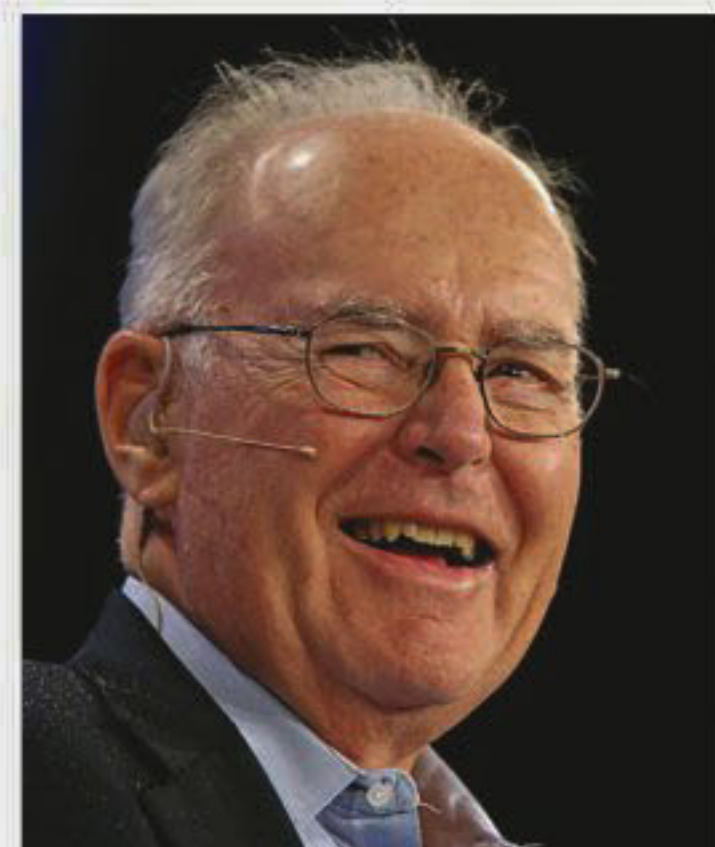
**Paul Allen**  
Co-Founder, Microsoft  
AGE: 62  
NET WORTH: \$18.1 Billion  
DONATION: \$2 Billion+ donations already made

Any crusade requires optimism and the ambition to aim high.



**Ajim Premji**  
Chairman, Wipro  
AGE: 70  
NET WORTH: \$15.9 Billion  
DONATION: Already donated \$8 Billion+, another \$2 Billion pledged.

I am committed to transferring more of my wealth to scale up the endowment of the foundation



**Gordon Moore**  
Co-Founder, Intel  
AGE: 86  
NET WORTH: \$7.1 Billion  
DONATION: Already donated \$5 Billion+, plans to donate even more in next couple years.

Happy is the man who can brush aside the offending remarks of another and go on his way

### JUST IN

## Trend Micro available in local market with 7 packs

Trend Micro is now available in 7 different user-friendly packages at the local market. Trend Micro has both internet and Maximum security with single and three users. The price of Trend Micro Internet Security single user is Tk. 990/- and Tk. 1,990/- for three users for 1 year license pack where three years pack cost is Tk. 1,790/- for single users. Meanwhile, with one year license agreement, Trend Micro Maximum security has been priced of Tk. 2,190/- for single user and Tk. 2,590/- for three users whereas Trend Micro Maximum Security Single User 3 Years cost is Tk. 2,390/- & Trend Micro Mobile Security price is Tk. 590/-.



## Okapia launches a new smartphone solution called 'Freedom'



Okapia Mobile today has launched Freedom, a unique mobile device to add a new dimension in the lives of mobile phone users. Freedom is packed with features which are unique and provides innovative solutions for smartphone users. It can pair with any Android, iOS and Windows smartphone or tab, and operate its call, SMS, phonebook, camera, and music functions. Once a user connects Freedom to a smartphone or tab, it copies call logs, SMS and contact lists from the device. From Freedom, the user can then receive calls originating in the original device, make calls, take pictures, check SMS's originating on the smart device. As soon as the pairing is turned off, the information copied to Freedom is automatically removed. Freedom can also be used with a SIM as an individual handset.

PRICE: TK. 1,990/-

## QUBEE introduces the Tower V2 with new packages

QUBEE has introduced the new Tower V2 campaign with a number of different packages suiting the needs for all kinds of internet users. Buying the new QUBEE Tower V2 Modem at Tk. 3,500/- automatically saves new users TK. 1,500/- off the installation price, with no charge for home installation. The packages are 1Mbps speed and 45GB volume for a monthly fee of TK. 1,500/-; 2Mbps speed and 30GB volume also for TK. 1,500/-, 50GB volume for TK. 2,000/- and 80GB volume for TK. 2,500/-



### TECH HAPPENING

## Apollo Hospitals Dhaka to provide online appointment and payment services

Apollo Hospitals Dhaka has taken initiatives to integrate an Online Bill Payment and Appointment Booking Service. SSL Wireless has extended their cooperation by integrating SSLCOMMERZ. A signing ceremony was organized on this occasion at Apollo Hospital Auditorium on December 1, 2015. Mr. R. Basil, Executive Director & CEO of STS Holdings Limited along with Dr. Prasad R Muglikar, Director-Medical Services, and Mr. Prashant Vashisht, Chief Information Officer-Information Technology

from Apollo Hospitals Dhaka were present at the occasion. Mr. Sayeeful Islam, Managing Director of SSL Wireless, Mr. Ashish Chakraborty - General Manager, Shahzada Redwan - Head of Engineering, Jubaer Hossain - Senior Manger (Business Development) of SSL Wireless along with other high officials of both organizations were also present at the ceremony. The patients can avail this Online Bill Payment Service by visiting Apollo Hospital's official website: www.apollohdhaka.com or http://epay.apollohdhaka.com.



## Jovago opens in Bangladesh

Jovago, a global online hotel booking website is opening in Bangladesh. Since its inception in 2013, Jovago has become the No.1 Hotel Booking Website in Africa. With over 200,000 destinations online, they provide customers with reliable information about destinations. "We wanted to expand further into Asia and looked at several

different countries before deciding on Bangladesh. International players are yet to expand their footprint in Bangladesh," said Paul Midy, CEO of Jovago.com. "Tourism in Bangladesh is growing, and Jovago.com is here to facilitate and enhance the growth," said Sharjil Hannan, Business Developer of Jovago Bangladesh.

## Seminar on civil registration & vital statistics held in Dhaka

In order to revitalize the digital birth registration to solidify the Civil Registration & Vital Statistics project of the government, Plan International Bangladesh recently took some steps. These steps were evaluated by EATL, an IT firm, in a research study that it has conducted. They conducted a nationwide survey about Civil Registration & Vital Statistics status in Bangladesh. Cabinet secretary Mohammad Shafiqul Alam inaugurated the event. M. A. Mobin Khan, CEO, EATL in his inaugural speech informed the crowd about the survey and procedures.

## First national ICT debate fest kicks off

The National ICT Debate Fest 2015-2016, to be held in 16 regions, started off on Friday from Jahangirnagar University in the Dhaka region. The announcement was made by ICT State Minister Zunaid Ahmed Palak at a press conference held on last Thursday. Over 400 debaters from 130+institutions will be participating in the festival, and each team member of the regional

champion teams will receive a laptop. From the regional rounds, 32 teams will be selected who will then compete in the final rounds. Nahim Razzaque, member of Permanent Parliamentary Committee on Youth and Sports Ministry, Shyam Sunder Sikder, ICT Division Secretary and Tonmoy Ahmed, CRI Representative also spoke at the press conference.



**TECH BITS**  
Samsung agrees to pay Apple \$548 million in settlement



Amazon aims to speed up deliveries with new truck trailers



Robots expected to run half of Japan by 2035



Scientists built a spacecraft that converts junk to fuel



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