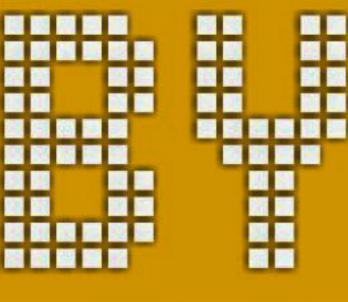


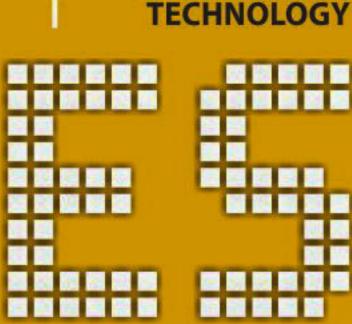
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INFORMATION

GADGETS



TOP TEN SMARTPHONES

IN BANGLADESH UNDER 20K

As far as new purchases go, we want the best for ourselves. But not always do our pockets agree. For such dire times, we rush to your rescue. May the force be with you!

ASUS ZENFONE

SELFIE Zenfones are always decent choices when it comes to midrange smartphones. The Zenfone selfie is no different with a 5.5-

inch 1920 x 1080p display, 3Gb of RAM and a stellar 13MP front camera.

PRICE: TK. 18,500+

SAMSUNG GALAXY J5

Samsung has never been a personal favourite but they can definitely roll out cheap phones that get the job done. The J5 boasts a 1.2GHz Quad core Qualcomm Snapdragon 410 processor, dual-SIM capabilities and a 13MP cam-

PRICE: TK. 17,850/-



HTC DESIRE 626G+

The Desire 626G+ is one of HTC's best midrange smartphones of 2015. It's designed beautifully, has a

good display and a decent camera. If you're looking for a phone that looks cool and acts cool- this is the one you



should get. PRICE: TK. 16,400/-

HUAWEI HONOR 4X

A solid phone that passes off as decent but lacks reliability. Worth a try if you're looking for a phone with a 5.5-inch screen, plastic backplate, okay-ish camera and an amazing battery life.



PRICE: TK. 19,990/-

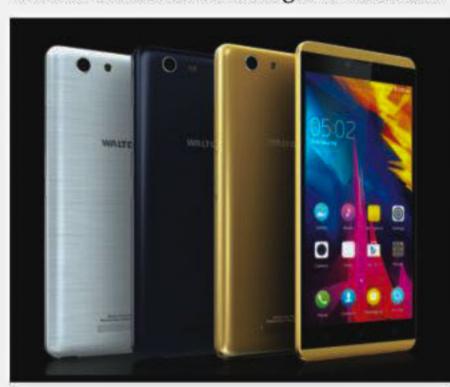
SYMPHONY XPLORER H250

A 5-inch screen, dual-sim options and a 13MP camera is a great set of features for a smartphone with that price. While Symphony doesn't pride

itself on customer satisfaction, it's a great option when on a tight budget. PRICE: TK. 10,990/-

WALTON PRIMO NX3

Walton has been achieving wonders even



since it first came by, battling its way among popular options and managing to gather a large cus

tomer base. Primo NX3 has a 13MP primary camera with 5MP on the front Gorilla Glass on the front and back, 2GB of RAM and runs the latest Android OS. PRICE: TK. 16,490/-

MOTOROLA MOTO G (3RD GEN)

This is definitely not a high-end smartphone but its stylish design, more than a decent display and camera makes it a top contender in the list of budget smartphones, once again. PRICE: TK. 19,000+



MICROSOFT LUMIA 640XL

If you like Windows mobile and huge screens, you'll love this. With a 5.7-inch display, great battery life and an impressive camera, this is a bang for the buck. PRICE: TK. 18,900/-



XIAOMI REDMI NOTE 3

Xiaomi might have started out as the underdog but they have proved their

worth over the past few years. The Redmi Note 3 is a perfect example of that. The



5.50-inch screen paired with 3GB of RAM and a 4000mAh battery, makes it hard to ignore.

PRICE: TK. 18,000+

SONY XPERIA M4 AQUA

As long as you're okay with only 8GB of storage and not-so-great battery life, if you're a rough user, this waterproof lowend smartphone with a good camera is what you should consider.

PRICE: TK. 18,500+



JUST IN



6TH GEN ASUS TRANSFORMER **BOOK NOW IN** BANGLADESH

ASUS has recently introduced 6th Gen Transformer Book TP300UA in Bangladesh. It features a 360 degree rotating touchscreen. The Transformer Book comes with Intel 6th Gen Core i5 6200U, 8 GB DDR3 RAM, 1 TB HDD Hard Disk and 13.3" HD LED Backlight display. It also has Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, HDMI and Webcam and for operating the system, it has Windows 10. PRICE: TK. 69,000/-

with 2 years international Warranty.



HP BRINGS G1 MICROTOWER

HP 280 G1 microtower business PC has 4th generation Intel core i3-4170 processor, Intel H81 express chipset, 4 gigabyte RAM, integrated Intel HD graphics, 500 gigabyte hard disk, dual layer DVD-RW, onboard LAN, total 8 USB port, HP USB keyboard, HP USB optical mouse, HP 18.5 inch LCD backlit LED monitor. PRICE: TK. 38,000/-

LARSEN & TOUBRO

Okapia Mobile slashes price on their smartphones

Okapia Mobile has initiated a promotional offer campaign through which the consumers will be able to avail Okapia smartphones. Consumers will be able to get 7 Okapia smartphones at a discounted price and will be able to receive cash back for 3 Okapia smartphones. The maximum amount of discounts consumers will be able to avail is BDT 2,200 and cash back of BDT 5,000. As per the offer, consumers will be able to avail

Striker at the price of BDT 2,990 (which was previously priced at BDT 3,700), Desh at the price of BDT 3,290 (which was previously priced at BDT 3,990), Life at the price of BDT 3,490 (which was previously priced at BDT 5,690), Magic at the price of BDT 5,490 (which was previously priced at BDT 5,990), Magic+ at the price of BDT 5,590 (which was previously priced at BDT 6,690), Magic X at the price of BDT 6,590 (which was previously priced at BDT 7,490) and Inspire at the price of BDT 9,990 (which was previously priced at BDT 11,990).

For smartphones Matrix (priced at BDT 7,990), Air (priced at 9,990) and Ultima (priced at 10,990), customers will be able to receive cash back worth maximum BDT 5000.

Beacon Infotech conducts training on optical fiber cable

Beacon Infotech Pvt. Ltd. Bangladesh recently organized a two day training workshop on Networking Design through Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) including Termination & Testing to develop professional skill and knowledge on 19th and 20th December 2015 at Beacon Infotech Pvt. Ltd. Corporate office in Kakrail, Dhaka. This day long training workshop is arranged by India's Optical Fiber maker company Apar Industries Ltd. and Beacon Infotech Pvt. Ltd. Bangladesh jointly.



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Techmaker's Android Study Jam

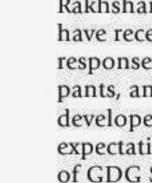
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GDG Bangla and Women

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Women Techmakers Lead

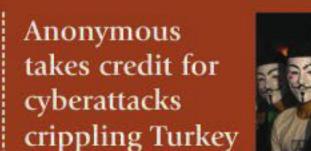
Speaking about the program,



Google Android Study Jam participants develop 700+ apps Rakhshanda Rukham stated, "We have received overwhelming response from the women participants, and the number of apps developed by them exceeded our expectations." Ashraf Abir, Manager of GDG Sonargaon, stated, "This is

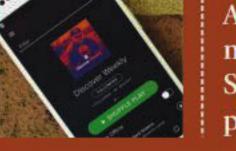
indeed an effective program by Google through which we have been able to train over 1000 Android developers. We hope these talented developers will be able to contribute significantly to the country's tech sector."







Spotify pledges to fix the music industry's royalty problems



Apple wants \$179 Samsung after patent fight



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Researchers propose using patterns and icons for passwords



