



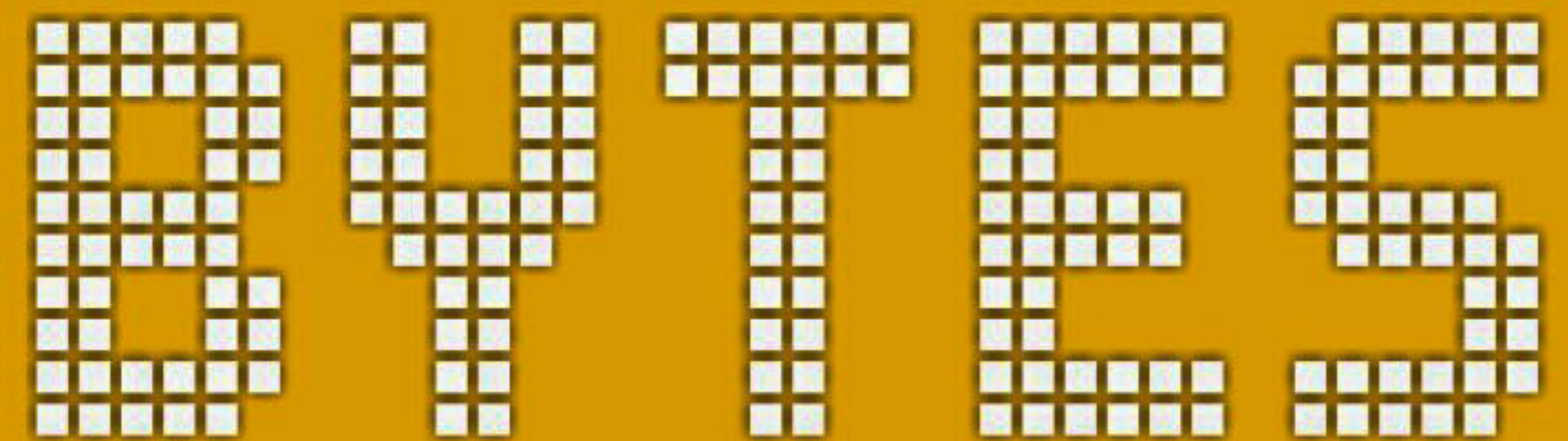
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Graphics cards for heavy gaming

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Below we show three must play game screens in no particular order other than they are supremely cool. It's followed by different cards you can get based on the health and XP of your wallet, cards that will run any of these comfortably.



MID RANGE

Asus GTX 750TI OC
The 750TI has a core clock of 1150 MHz and 2GB of DDR5 memory clocked at 5400 MHz and a 128 bit bus, this card is the ultimate choice for budget gaming. Equipped with DirectX 11.2 it will deliver around 50 fps in games at high settings for 720p and medium settings for 1080p.
GAMES IT DOES JUSTICE TO : GTA V, HITMAN ABSOLUTION, FARCRY 3, CRYISIS 2, ARMA 3, FIFA 15.
PRICE: 14,500 BDT.



AMD R7 260x
This is another sweet little card on a low budget. Based on AMD's Bonaire architecture it has 896 stream processors and 56 texture mapping units. It also has 2GB DDR5 RAM clocked at 6500 MHz. The core clock of this GPU has a clock speed of 1100 MHz out of the box. The r7 260x has DirectX 12 support and is good for 50-60 fps for all titles at high and medium settings for 720p and 1080p respectively.
PLAYABLE GAMES : FIFA 15, GTA V, CRYISIS 3.
PRICE: 12,500 BDT.

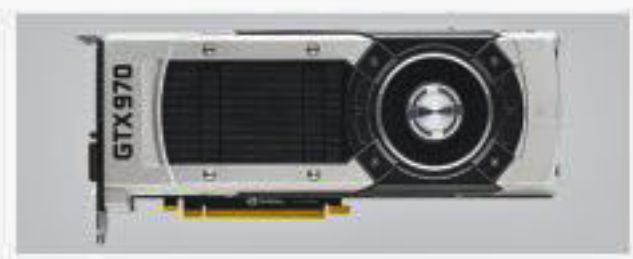


HIGH END

ASUS STRIX r9 390 DC30C
The AMD r9 390 has 2560 stream processors and 160 texture units. With a core clock of 1050 MHz and 8GB OF DDR5 memory clocked at 6000 MHz the R9 390 makes the line between the high and middle end very fine. It has support for DirectX 12 and OPEN GL 4.4. The memory bus for this card is 512bit. With support for true audio and mantle the R9 390 is good for all new titles at 1080p with maxed out settings.
PLAYABLE GAMES: TOMB RAIDER, METRO LAST LIGHT, COD- BLACK OPS 3.
PRICE : 35,500 BDT.



NVIDIA GEFORCE GTX 970
The GTX 970 has a good deal going on with 1664 shader units, 104 texture units and 56 ROPs. The core clock is clocked at 1114 MHz and for VRAM it has 4GB of DDR5 memory clocked at 7010 MHz with a 256-bit bus. This card uses PCIe-3.0. The 970 is very good for 1080 gaming at maxed out settings.
GAMES YOU SHOULD PLAY ON IT: THE NEW BATMAN GAME, ASSASSING CREED SYNDICATE, NEED FOR SPEED.
PRICE: 35,500 BDT.



EXTREME

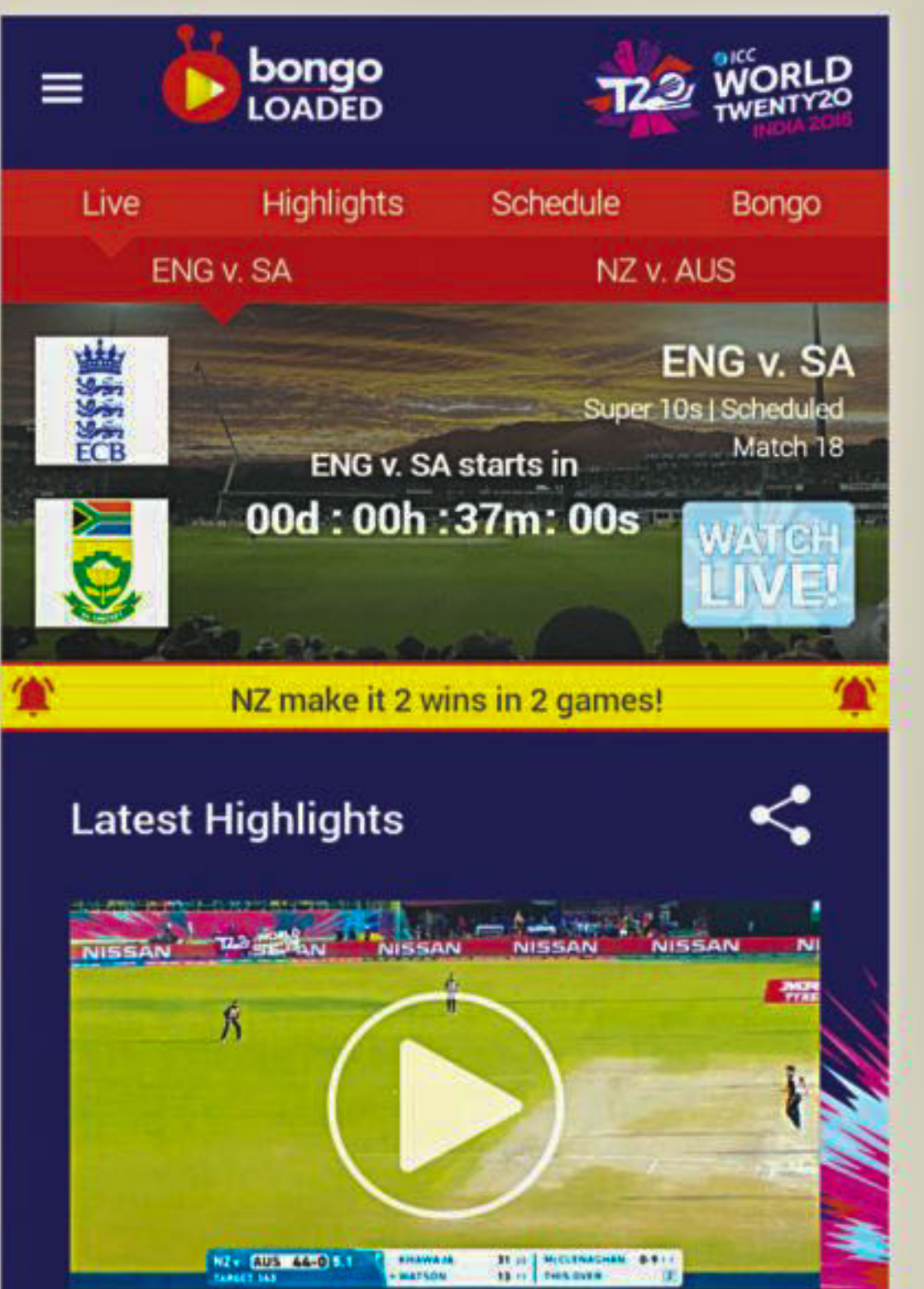
ZOTAC GTX 980 TI AMP EXTREME EDITION
The Zotac amp 980 TI is the go to card for 4k gaming. The card is equipped with 2816 shader units, 96 ROPs and a 384 bit memory bus. The card has 6GB of DDR5 memory clocked at 1805 MHz, with 3 fans and a card turn off feature the card runs cool and is very quiet. The Zotac 980 TI can play any game at a very decent frame rate in 4K.
PLAYABLE GAMES : TOMB RAIDER(4K), METRO LAST LIGHT(4K), CRYISIS 3(4K).
PRICE 65,000 BDT.



MSI TITAN X 12GD5
The MSI TITAN X is the Chuck Norris of the video card world. It is hands down the most powerful graphics card in the world. It has 3072 CUDA cores 192 TMUs 96 ROPs and a 384bit bus. The core clock in this card is 1002 MHz and boost clock is 1089 MHz. The titan comes with a mammoth 12GB DDR5 memory clocked at 1753 MHz. the titan can power up to 4 displays at once and will absolutely decimate any task thrown at it.
PLAYABLE GAMES: Any game ever made in crispy 4K.
PRICE 108,500 BDT.



APPS ON THE FLOOR



Name of App: Bongo LOADED
Developer: Bongo Entertainment
Category: Entertainment
Platforms: Android
Size: 11 MB
Last Updated: March 16, 2016
User Rating: 3.8/5.0
Our Rating: 7.0/10.0

So here we have an app today for all the cricket fanatics of Bangladesh: Bongo LOADED. In this T20 World Cup season if you never want to miss any of the updates and moments of the matches then this is a must download. This app gives you ICC World T20 live stream, instant video clip highlights and even ball-by-ball updates for all matches. When you enter the app you can see the red banner with the entire main menu. In the live section you get to see the live updates; matches happening right now. In the highlights section you get all the key moments of previous matches. The most entertaining part is probably the Bongo tab of the menu. You get access to all the bongo video content through this app. Two things you need to keep in mind when you download this app: it's a video heavy app so make sure you are on WiFi or else your internet data pack will be running out in no time. Secondly, the app will push updates constantly so if you don't want the app to hog data and your notification center, then do uncheck the notification settings inside the app menu.

JUST IN

WD 4TB HDD for security surveillance

Western Digital (WD) has brought a new line up of Purple Hard Disk with 4 TB storage capacities. This specially made HDD is perfect for video surveillance since it does not drop a single frame from the stored video. It also sports 6X faster read and 2X write capacity than any conventional HDD. The HDD also comes with 64MB of cache memory.
PRICE: TK. 15,000/- plus 3 years warranty.



ASUS's new gaming laptop with a pocket friendly price-tag



ASUS has brought a new gaming laptop 'GL552VW' with an affordable price tag. It's equipped with 6th Gen Intel Core-i5 processor, 1TB SATA Hard Disk, 8 GB DDR4 RAM and Intel HM 170 Chipset. The laptop comes loaded with a NVIDIA GeForce GTX 960M video graphics and 15.6 inch Full HD LED display. For connectivity the laptop comes with Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, LAN Jack and HD Web CAM.
PRICE: TK. 76,500/- with 2 years international

Okapia mobile's newest flagship Signature

Okapia Mobile has launched a new smartphone model named 'Signature' in their corporate office recently. 'Signature' packs a 1.3GHz quad core processor and, 2 GB RAM, and 16 GB ROM. Its metallic body is complimented by a 5-inch HD IPS screen made of 2.5D curved glass. It also comes with a 13 MP rear camera with Auto Focus and LED Flash Light and 5 MP front cameras with Dual LED Flash and a 2,100 mAh Lithium ion battery. The OS of the phone is Android Lollipop 5.1.
PRICE: TK. 9,990/- and 1-year after sales services.



TECH HAPPENING

IBA signs agreement with aamra for WiFi hotspots

Recently aamra companies and Institute of Business Administration (IBA), University of Dhaka signed an agreement for WiFi hotspots at the IBA Conference Room in Dhaka University. Under this agreement, IBA will receive aamra WiFi facilities through multiple hotspots soon to be initiated at the IBA premises. This initiative is a part of aamra's ongoing WiFi project to provide 1500+ free WiFi locations by the end of 2016. Sharful Alam, Chief Operating Officer of aamra networks limited and Dr. A K M Saiful Majid, Professor & Director of IBA, DU were present at the venue, and they agreed upon the terms & conditions on behalf of their respective companies.

Samsung starts delivering the pre-booked Galaxy S7 Edge devices

Samsung Mobile Bangladesh has started delivering the Galaxy S7 Edge handsets to the pre-bookers since 18 March, 2016. Mr. SeungwonYoun, Managing Director, Samsung Electronics Bangladesh, visited the Bashundhara City Shopping Mall and handed over few Galaxy S7 Edge devices to the pre-bookers. In Bangladesh, Samsung Mobile Bangladesh has launched the pre-book online portal since 28 February 2016. 3,000 pre-bookers confirmed in 15 days.



BASE Technologies rebrands with wide range of services

BASE Technologies unveiled its new website in front of stakeholders and media on March 14, 2016 at Six Seasons Hotel in Gulshan 2. High officials of BASE Technologies attended the event to provide a brief of BASE Technologies' long term plans to establish itself as a premier player in the technology industry. 'We have already come a long way with our dedication and innovative endeavours, and look forward to achieving more success, hence contributing to the development of Bangladesh as a powerhouse of technological practices,' said Jubair Ahmed, CEO of BASE Technologies.



Huawei announces key industry partnerships in premium consumer devices

Huawei recently announced a slate of partnerships aimed to create a new consumer ecosystem in mobile, bringing together the best in technology, payment, sound, and fashion in its newly launched consumer electronic devices at the CES 2016 in Las Vegas. From now on, new M2 Tablets from Huawei will have integrated Harman/Kardon audio technology in them. Huawei also unveiled the Jewel and Elegant versions of 2015's elegant smartwatches made in collaboration with Swarovski's Gemstone Business, the globally renowned crafter of gemstones to mark a new female focus for the company. And lastly, Huawei launched a new gold version of Google's Nexus 6P as part of its continuing collaboration with Google.

TECH BITS

PlayStation VR bundle includes camera and controllers for \$500



AMBER Lab robot jogs just like a human



Fox Sports will broadcast FIFA's Interactive World Cup finale



Domino's has built an autonomous pizza delivery robot



Samsung has a new music app for Galaxy users to test

