

NATIONAL HACKATHON 2016 CHAMPIONS ANNOUNCED!



Ecstatic winners!



ICT State Minister in conversation with a few participants

National Hackathon 2016, organized by ICT Division, kicked off on April 6 for the second time. With exclusive prizes from Facebook, Banglalink and Qubee, this two daylong event was the source of excitement for tech enthusiasts from all over the country. Students along with experts and hobbyists raced to create digital solutions for problems regarding agricultural production, neonatal health, road safety, violence against women, clean energy, marine resources and so on. Coders spent more than 36 hours glued to their screen the entire time. Winners of the competition were Null_pointer (Agricultural productivity), Appsool (Newborns and children), Team Fellowship (Road traffic accidents), BUET EXON (Qualified teachers in education), Codebreaker (Violence against women), Techno life (Energy efficiency), Droid Digger (Sustainable tourism), Graphic People (Environment in city), Code Breakers (Marine resources) and Team Hexagon (Corruption).
Take a look at the biggest local hackathon through the photographer's eye.



No problem is unsolvable



Hacking for a better Bangladesh



Coding their way to victory

WHY TECH GIANTS ARE FLOCKING TO BANGLADESH

THESE TECH GIANTS ARE EXPANDING THEIR OPERATIONS IN BANGLADESH



SO..... WHY ARE THEY COMING?

Bangladesh has an annual GDP growth rate of 6.7% (2015-2016)

Bangladesh currently has inflation rate of 5.65% & steadily declining

The country has a urbanization rate of 3.55% in the last 5 years

65% population aged between 15-64 years of age

10,000+ ICT skilled manpower with 5000 new manpower entering every year

4.6 million smartphone user and 3.8 million active internet users

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TECH HAPPENING

Science & Innovation Fair (SIFSB) 2016 for students of Bangladesh ends

This educational fair was a day-long event held on 08 April, 2016 in Saint Joseph Higher Secondary School of Dhaka. SIFSB 2016 initiated by SCIFAIRBD which is affiliated with International Science and Engineering Fair (Intel ISEF), provided an opportunity for the creative young innovators to represent Bangladesh in global Science and technology convention organized by global tech giant, "Intel". This prestigious event experienced huge participation in terms of numbers where students from both private and government educational institutes who are between class 8 to class 12 were present to showcase their talent. With a welcome speech the



official opening of the event occurred then it continued with presentations and other activities which were designed for students

to evaluate their latent creativity. The event ended with the declaration of winners by the honourable judges.

Baishakhi gift hamper from Computer Source

To celebrate Bangla new-year Computer Source is going to decorate itself with traditional outlook around Dhaka and will entertain its visitors in 5 outlets. On 1st Baisakh (14 April) Dhanmindi 27, Basundhara City and Hoshna Center outlet at Gulshan and 2nd Baishakh outlets of BCS Computer City visitors will be getting sure gift hampers. In addition to that, Computer Source offers a week long countrywide Facebook quiz contest, D-Link Baishakhi Quiz at its official Facebook Fan Page <https://www.facebook.com/CSLFanclub> where contestants have to answer 3 questions. From the participants, 3 lucky winners will get a D-Link 3G Pocket Router.

Samsung brings baishakhi offer

Samsung Mobile Bangladesh has recently announced the exciting Baishakh Offer on the occasion of Bangla New Year 1423 celebration. This special campaign will offer all new colourful packaging for the Samsung Galaxy J series handsets inspired by the Bengali heritage. Moreover, this campaign also offers its customers to choose their favourite Samsung Galaxy devices from Galaxy J1 Ace, J2, J5, J7 and Grand Prime and get a chance to win the twin handset for free. Customers can win 20 handsets per day till the stock lasts. This campaign also offers the chance to get the cash discounts from BDT 500 up to BDT 5,000. This offer is exclusively valid for authorized Samsung handsets.

Goldberg installs customer care centre at their HQ



Bangladeshi mobile handset brand, Goldberg has installed customer service centre, Your Care (YC) at the company head office at Karwan Bazar in the capital. Mother company of Goldberg, Khansons Group Chairman AKM Azizur Rahman Khan inaugurated the service centre at level seven of the company owning property Khansons Centre at Karwan Bazar on Wednesday (6th April). Goldberg Founder Chief Executive Officer Abrar Rahman Khan, Chief Sales Officer Rasel Ahmed, Service Department Manager Mostafizur Rahman were, Chinese Delegates Rosa Dada, among others, present at the event. They also unveiled the new brand logo of Goldberg at the inaugural session.

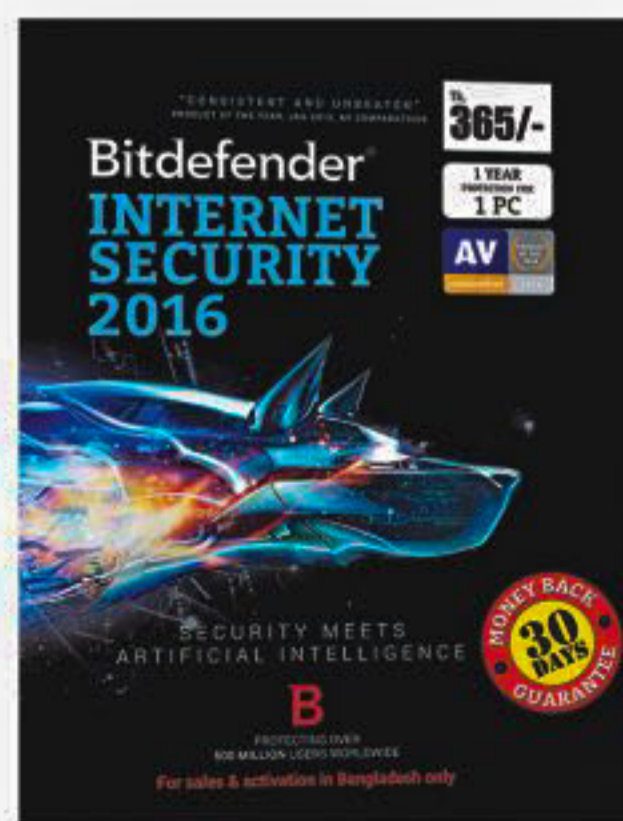
JUST IN

HP launches new laptop



HP has brought new laptop for the local market. It comes with a 14.1" diagonal HD SVA anti-glare flat LED-backlit (1366 x 768), 4th Gen Intel Core i3 processor, 4GB RAM, Radeon R5 M330 with dedicated 2GB Memory, 2 TB HDD and Super multi DVD writer.
Price: Tk. 35,800/-

Bitdefender brings licensed internet security for Tk. 1 per day



Bitdefender, the security solution developers from Romani, has introduced a revolutionary concept for the Bangladesh market- Internet Security for PCs at the cost of only Tk.1/- per day. The slogan is "Internet Security for every home PC in Bangladesh". This project was developed based on their recent pilot project for students at the same concept. Finding it to be a success and highly acceptable to the young users, Bitdefender has it now extended for all home users throughout Bangladesh.
Price: Single user Tk. 365/- per year

SpaceX just landed a rocket on a drone ship for the first time



Alphabet's secretive Schaft Inc. shows off new bipedal robot in Tokyo



New Facebook rules allow publishers and celebrities to share sponsored content



Justice Department keeps pushing Apple to unlock iPhone in New York drug case



Facebook will announce chatbot and live chat APIs at F8

