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SMARTPHONE & TAB EXPO 2017 AT A GLANCE

ADATA Smart phone & Tab Expo 2017, the first expo of its kind this year, kicked off this Thursday, January 26th. The event took place in its usual spot, Bangabandhu International Conference Centre at Agargaon in the capital. Organised by the Expo Maker, the seventh edition of the carnival showcased all the recently launched smart devices including phones and tablets; both by local and international brands. Among the brands that participated were: ADATA, Samsung, Huawei, Linnex Mobile, Oppo, Symphony, WE, LAVA, Xiaomi, Gadget Gang 7, Cell Stream, MyCell, Micromax, lenovo, Coolpad, Mango, Meizu, Kiksha.com, Ajkerdeal.com. The three day long event attracted a huge amount of crowd; amongst which most were youngsters. Here's a few snap of the event:



BYTES PRESENTS

TRUMP & TECH

WHAT TO EXPECT

WITH DONALD TRUMP IN THE HOT SEAT OF THE FREE WORLD, THE TECH INDUSTRY IS NOT GOING TO BE THE SAME. HERE WE LISTED TOP 4 POLICIES THAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION.



★ PRIVACY RIGHTS

Trump administration is expected to have an anti-privacy stance since last years election campaigns. After the San Bernadino Shooting incident, Trump floated an appeal to boycott Apple Devices. What does that tell you?



★ NET NEUTRALITY

We can expect an heavy debate regarding Net Neutrality very soon during the tenure of Donald Trump. Republican FCC Commissioner Ajit Pai, a longtime critic of the Net Neutrality rules, will be Trump's choice to lead the agency. So this topic is going to be buzzing the net soon.



★ BUSINESS MERGER

Trump, despite being a controversial yet seasoned businessman, doesn't approve huge scale corporate mergers. We already noticed his discontent when AT&T's proposed \$85 billion merger deal with Time Warner. Who knows he won't block any tech mergers in the future.



★ IMMIGRATION

Every year a huge number of immigrants join the workforce of USA and a good amount of those join the top tech firms of Silicon Valley. Apple Co-founder Steve Jobs was son of an immigrant. And we all know very clear Trump's intentions about immigration policies!

TECH HAPPENING

Mobile Game Idea Generation Workshop at DUET

To transform our young generation in to high skilled manpower and to strengthen up Bangladesh's footprint in the global gaming market, ICT Division has taken the project 'National Mobile Game Development Programme'. As a part of the plan, on last Saturday they organized a workshop at Dhaka University of Engineering & Technology, Gazipur. ICT Secretary Shyam Sunder Sikder was the Chief Guest at the opening ceremony of the workshop while NMGDP Director Nabir Uddin; Vice Chancellor of DUET Professor Dr. Mohammed Alauddin, Appometry Deputy Managing Director & Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry Director Riad Hossain were present among others. The workshop was presided by CSE Department head Prof. Dr. Md. Nasim Akhtar.

Samsung's Galaxy J2 Series sets record

The Samsung Galaxy J2 series has been the most successful smartphone series in Bangladesh. The Galaxy J2 series, including Galaxy J2 that was launched in October 2015 and Galaxy J2 2016 that was launched in July 2016 has been the most successful smartphone devices in this price segment. According to reports from the major handset importers of Bangladesh and public data, the total import figures of Galaxy J2 series smartphones in the last 15 months was a staggering 575,000 units which is the highest in the smartphone device industry. The Galaxy J2 series is available across all Samsung brand shops and authorized retailers. The Galaxy J2 is priced at BDT 9,990; Galaxy J2 Prime at BDT 11,490; Galaxy J2 2016 at BDT 12,990.

JUST IN

Symphony brings new flagship device- 'Symphony ZVIII'

Symphony Mobile launched its newest flagship device "Symphony ZVIII". It was unveiled this Friday at Bangabandhu International Convention at the Smartphone Expo. This smartphone features: 8 megapixel wide angle front camera & 13 megapixel rear camera with dual LED flash, Qualcomm Snapdragon 430, 1.4 GHz Octacore 64 bit processor, DDR3 3 GB RAM & 16 GB ROM. Price: Tk 13,990/-



HP All-in-One PC with winter offer



HP has brought a new offer with Smart Technologies. Under this offer any one buying a HP All-in-One PC will be getting a wind breaker free with every purchase. Currently the available versions of HP All-in-One PC are C001L Pentium Quad Core PC, R225L Core i3 PC, R226L Core i5 PC and Q168D Core i7 Touch PC. Price: Starting from Tk. 38,000/- to 93,000/- depending on models.

80,000 STUDENTS TO GET FREE WIFI IN NORTH BENGAL

To facilitate high-speed internet and WiFi access to the students of North Bengal, WiFi hotspots have been launched in six educational institutions in Rajshahi and Natore. State Minister for ICT Zunaid Ahmed Palak inaugurated the launching of the WiFi hotspots in the educational institutions including Rajshahi University and rajshahi College on January 13-14, according to a release. "We have to turn young generation into competent workforce through imparting IT skills as they are the future leaders of Bangladesh," Palak said, emphasising on importance of internet in building a future IT

workforce. This initiative, implemented by Aamra Networks Limited, shall benefit more than 80,000 students in the region, the release read. Facilitating WiFi in North Bengal is a great leap in decentralising technology and eradicating digital divide between urban and sub-urban Bangladesh. Managing Director of Aamra companies Syed Farhad Ahmed, DGM and Head of Marketing of Aamra Networks Limited Solaiman Shukhon, and Head of Marketing of Aamra smart solutions Muntasir Ahmed accompanied the state minister during the launching events.

TECH BITS

Alibaba's Ant Financial is buying MoneyGram for \$880M to expand its global presence



Rocket Internet opens its first engineering hub in Asia



Boeing shows off the spacesuit astronauts will wear on the Starliner



Microsoft Q2 earnings edge higher on Office and cloud services growth



PayPal continues to see strong revenue growth

