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THINNEST LAPTOPS IN TOWN RIGHT NOW

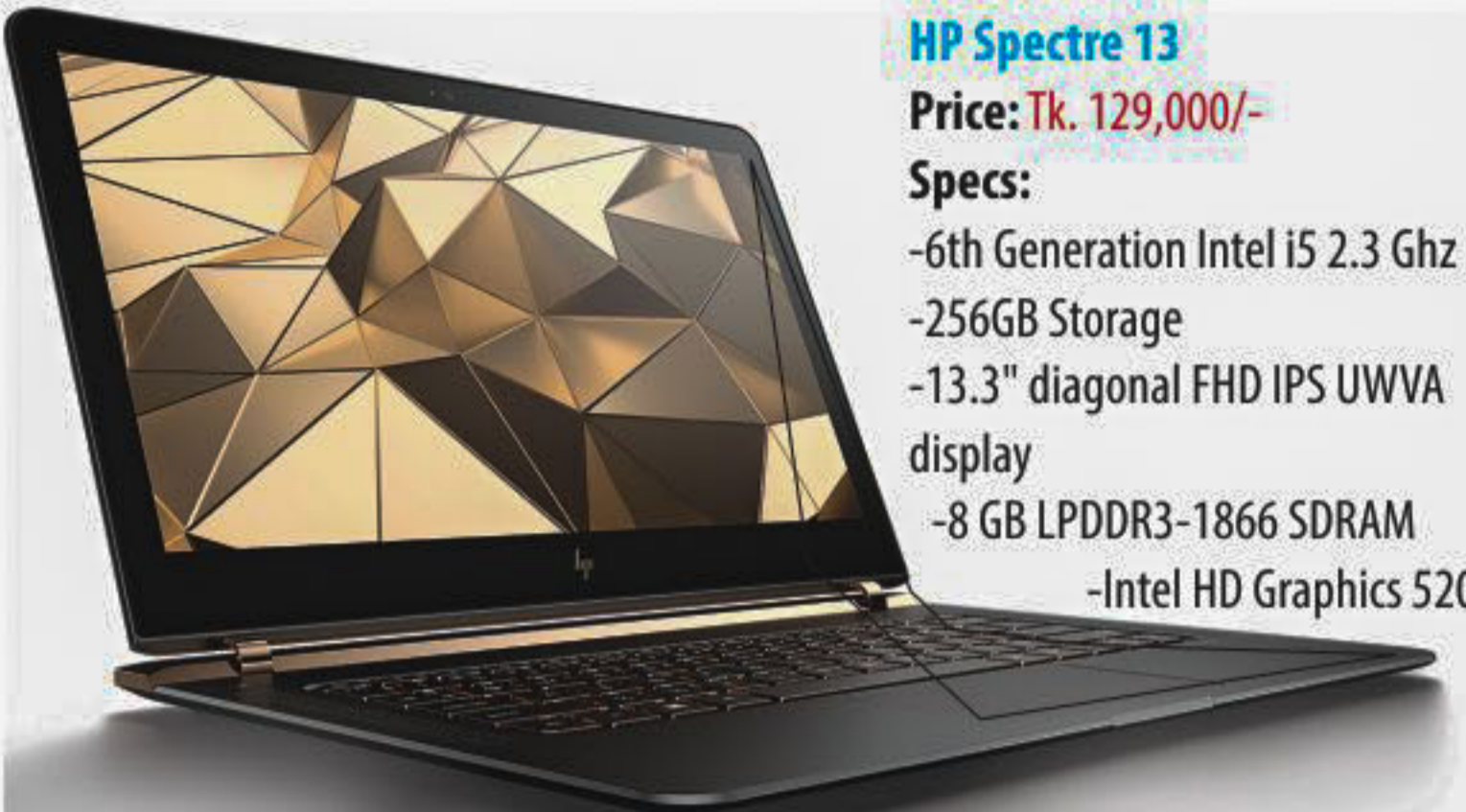
If you have noticed laptops are going thin physically. If you think this relentless pursuit for a slimmer look can be counterproductive, then you are probably not too wrong. It is however true that, over the period of time even the most mainstream gaming laptops have shrunk exponentially. So, after talking to the local vendors of every major laptop brand, we've gathered up the thinnest laptops you can buy in Bangladesh right now. Warning! Most of the laptops come with a hefty price-tag.

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Acer Swift 7
Price: Tk. 118,000/-
Specs:
 -Intel Core i7 1.3 Ghz
 -7th Gen Processor
 -256GB Storage
 -13.3" FHD Acer CrystalBrite
 -IPS Display
 -8 GB LPDDR3 RAM
 -Intel HD Graphics 615



HP Spectre 13
Price: Tk. 129,000/-
Specs:
 -6th Generation Intel i5 2.3 Ghz
 -256GB Storage
 -13.3" diagonal FHD IPS UWVA display
 -8 GB LPDDR3-1866 SDRAM
 -Intel HD Graphics 620



Dell XPS 13
Price: Tk. 145,000/-
Specs:
 -6th Generation Intel i5 2.3 GHz
 -256GB Storage
 -13.3 inch FHD Infinity Edge display
 -8GB LPDDR3 RAM
 -Intel(R) HD Graphics 520



Apple MacBook
Price: Tk. 110,000/-
Specs:
 -1.1GHz dual-core Intel Core M processor
 -256GB storage
 -12-inch (diagonal) LED-backlit display
 -8GB LPDDR3 RAM
 -Intel HD Graphics 5300



Lenovo Yoga 900s
Price: Tk. 130,000/-
Specs:
 -6th Gen Intel Core i7 2.5 GHz processor
 -256 GB SSD storage
 -13.3" QHD+LED
 -8GB DDR3 RAM
 -Intel HD Graphics 520



Asus Zenbook 3
Price: Tk. 139,000/-
Specs:
 -Intel Core 7th Gen i7 2.70 GHz
 -Integrated Intel HD Graphics 620
 -12.5" (16:9) LED backlit FHD
 -Integrated Intel HD Graphics 620
 -512GB M.2 SSD storage




Neural Semiconductor's VLSI Design Center begins its journey

Neural Semiconductor is DBL Group's latest initiative and is a technology firm which will design microchips for the Internet of Things (IoT) and for markets related to Artificial Intelligence. Neural Semiconductor's VLSI Design Centre officially began its journey on the 2nd of April, 2017 via a launching program presided over by Professor Dr. Saiful Islam, the chief guest and Vice Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology. DBL Group's Board of Directors - M.A. Jabbar, Managing Director; M.A. Rahim, Vice Chairman; M.A. Quader, Deputy Managing Director; Neural Semiconductor's COO, Md. Shakhawat Hossain and other officials were present during the inauguration.

DBL Group is a diversified business entity, which has vertically integrated textile and apparel manufacturing facilities, with concerns in ICT & Telecommunications, dredging, ceramic tiles, pharmaceuticals and more. The business started in 1991 and is now a conglomerate of 22 concerns with a dedicated, skilled workforce of more than 25,000 employees.

As one of its newest concerns, DBL

Group has high expectations of Neural Semiconductor as its first foray into technology design, and plan on utilising a growing talent pool of engineers and IT professionals to take their vision forward. As such, twenty-five aspiring engineers have already joined Neural Semiconductor as part of the design team. These professionals have been trained overseas and the key personnel leading the team are professionals with more than twenty years of experience working at the Intel Corporation and other renowned tech companies in Silicon Valley, USA.

The VLSI Design Center will be based in Bangladesh, with offices in Gulshan 1. A marketing and customer interface office will be maintained in the USA, while the production of microchips designed by Neural Semiconductor, which requires advanced techniques and infrastructure that Bangladesh simply can't provide at the moment, will be carried out by the TSMC in Taiwan. TSMC (Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company) is one of the largest, dedicated and independent semiconductor foundry in the world.

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TECH HAPPENING

eGeneration partners with Silicon Valley based Cloudly

eGeneration Ltd and Cloudly, Silicon Valley based cloud service provider have recently signed an agreement to provide cloud services and critical data migration services to their global clients. The worldwide customers of eGeneration and Cloudly will be able to use the global-standard services like Amazon web services and Google cloud plat-

form; and have their important data and server content stored in a safe, reliable and easy way. Shameem Ahsan, Chairman of eGeneration Ltd., Shah Rahman, Founder and Vice Chairman of Cloudly and Kenneth Kahrs, Co-Founder and CTO of Cloudly were present at the agreement signing ceremony held at the Cloudly headquarter in Silicon Valley.



Truecaller and Google come together to improve video calling

Truecaller recently announced a strategic agreement to integrate Google Duo, a high-quality video calling service, within the Truecaller app. This will add a crucial communications layer that strengthens the value of Truecaller's popular dialer, caller ID, and spam blocking app already used by more than 250 million users globally. Along with

news of this integration, Truecaller announced a completely new redesign of the Android app, and now with a broader array of useful features including: instantly see who's SMS'ing you and filter out all spam messages. Spam SMS account for 15% of all SMS messages sent globally, and represents 1.2 trillion spam messages each year.

Google working on to search easily in Bangla

Bengali is the sixth most spoken language around the world - not a small feat, considering that there are over 7,000 living languages on our planet. Starting today, we're making it much easier for the over 200 million Bengali speakers to search for things they care about. When someone conducts a search, they want an answer, not trillions of webpages to scroll through. To help Bengali

speakers discover new information quickly, Google is now making the Google Knowledge Graph available in Bengali language. The Knowledge Graph enables the surfer to search for things, people or places that Google knows about—landmarks, celebrities, cities, sports teams, buildings, geographical features, movies, celestial objects, works of art and more.

ITbazaar.com.bd signs up with Gigabyte

ITbazaar.com.bd has signed an agreement with GIGABYTE to work together with local gamers and gaming industry in Bangladesh. The MoU has been signed on last Thursday at Software Technology Park located at Karwan Bazar, Dhaka. Mr. Mofizur Rahman Tipu, the founder of ITbazaar.com.bd and Mr. Alan Szu, the South Asian assistant manager of GIGABYTE

have signed the agreement on behalf of their respective organizations. On the signing ceremony Mr. Alan Szu has said in his speech that the young generation of Bangladesh is very talented and hard-working. He added GIGABYTE shall provide all kind of co-operations to develop the local gaming industry utilizing the youth of the country.

Bikroy brings Bangla New Year deals

Bikroy has launched Baishakhi Deals for the upcoming Bangla New Year 1424. This year they are offering traditional and ethnic

clothing and fashion wear for men and women at discounts of up to 40%. The deals will continue till today.

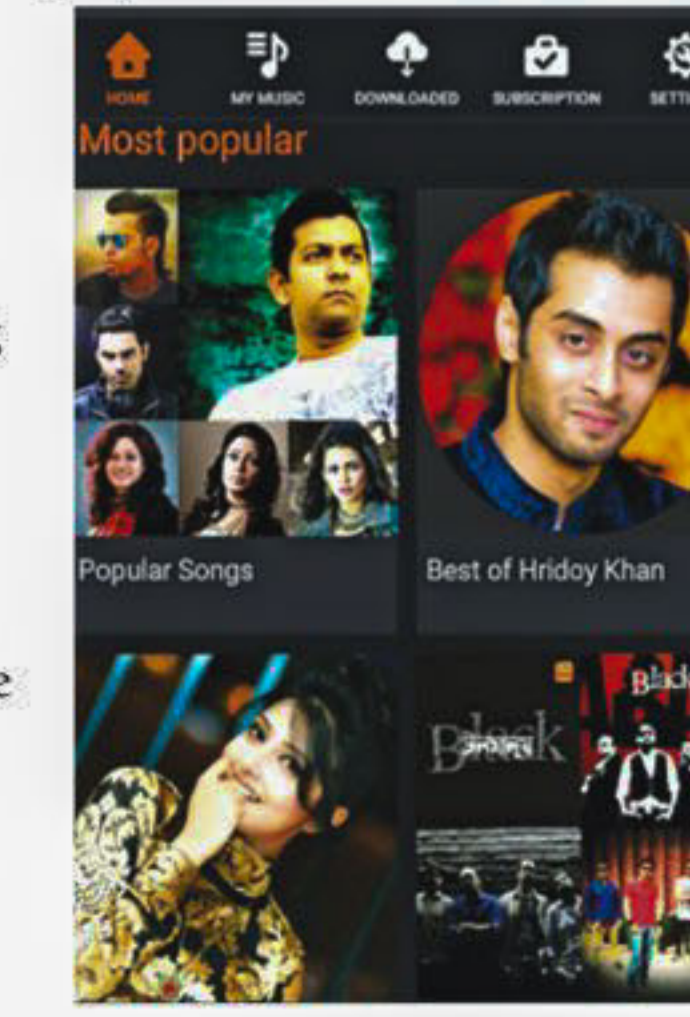
WE launches its first Signature model - S1

WE introduced their latest smartphone S1, the first model of their Signature series, in the market this Friday. The S1 is WE's new flagship smartphone, and this new model was launched at 32 WE brand store locations nationwide. WE S1 features a fantastic 13 MP dual camera to get into the

depth of every moment at a very reasonable price. S1 also has a fast unlock fingerprint sensor, an appealing 5.5-inch HD IPS On-Cell 2.5D display, enormously efficient with the inclusion of 1.5GHz Quad Core 64bit Processor and 2GB of RAM. Price: Tk. 14,490/-

BL brings 'Banglalink Vibe', digital music app

Banglalink has brought a digital music app named 'Banglalink Vibe' to provide ultimate music streaming with unique user interface to the users. Users can find their desired track while exploring from latest songs to hard-to-find classics in Banglalink Vibe. In Banglalink Vibe, users can create their own playlist which can be accessible from multiple devices. This music service provides ad-free music experience and can be streamed both on Wi-Fi and mobile network. The app is available on Google Play Store only right now for 30 days free trial.



JUST IN Special offer on Walton laptops



Walton announced special offer on laptops on the occasion of Bangla New Year. Under this offer, customers are can win LED TV and smartphones by purchasing selected models of Walton brand laptops. The special offer is valid throughout the month of April. Walton currently has laptops under four series in market right now - Passion, Tamarind, Karonda and Waxjambu. Price of these laptops start from Tk.22,990/- and goes as high as Tk.89,550/-.