

Cyberpunk Dhaka

If you've played Sleeping Dogs or Deus Ex, you already know what I am talking about. When it rains in Dhaka and the neon lights flash up, cyberpunk is the word that comes to my mind. While we're busy cloning Cash of Cans, open-world Dhaka is crying for someone to turn it into a video game.

This week on SHOUT, our dream of a Dhaka-centric RPG comes to life, simply out of desperation for someone to see the game we see in this city. Let's hope one fine day, we go to Steam's featured section and see "Dhaka: The RPG".

– Rumman R Kalam, Sub-editor, SHOUT



APP REVIEW



Dude, did you record that?

ASIF AYON

If you're like me and you run a Xiaomi or any of the new age Chinese smart phones, then you know that the built-in voice recording tool isn't very good. This is because all of these phones have noise cancellation enabled, doesn't allow for microphone calibration, and the sample rate is set to 16 kHz. All of this means that the output you get from these default recorders is criminally bad. This is where apps like "Smart Recorder – High quality voice recorder" make a significant difference.

I've been using Smart Recorder for a couple of years now and the difference in quality is unprecedented. This nifty little tool has room for a lot of

customisation as well. It lets you record at different sample rates, being able to record at 44.1 kHz, which is CD audio level quality. You can set the microphone calibration to manual too, meaning it can calibrate itself to the amount of noise it captures; it buffers and equalises more for louder noises, and for the quieter sounds it calibrates the microphone's gain at a higher rate. What all of this audio jargon means is that, unlike your phones default recorder, Smart Recorder has no default restrictions in place, allowing it to record at the best possible quality. This app is ad free as well and not intrusive about recording phone calls. It does what it's supposed to do – it records audio, and does it well.

THIS WEEK'S HORRORSCOPE

ARIES

Telephones and later, jelly cones.



TAURUS

Esteban, did you put the stuff away?



GEMINI

Lies can only get so far, until you do worse.



CANCER

Love is in the air, water and soil. Be aware.



LEO

Motorists on the streets of Dhaka, sad.



VIRGO

Ether would have existed if we weren't so mean to it.



LIBRA

Silicon is a semi conductor, like Iniesta was a Messi conductor.



SCORPIO

Of idiotic ramblers, I have much to ramble about.



SAGITTARIUS

No one quite bends it like Juninho Pernambucano, even Beckham.



CAPRICORN

Wishful thinking and wistful eyes, I am stuck.



AQUARIUS

Hedge funds don't fund hedges and no one is mad about it.



PISCES

Youth is fleeting, old man. Old age is permanent, until it's not.



MIXTAPE

GTA

CZARFACE/MF DOOM

Meddle with Metal



THE DOORS

Riders On The Storm



KANE WILDE

Kids in America



N.W.A

Straight Outta Compton



MEGADETH

Peace Sells



DA LENCH MOB

Guerillas in da Mist