

COMPACT EXTERNAL GADGETS FOR PEOPLE ON THE GO

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Whether it's for your laptop, tab or smartphone, these gadgets are necessary for people who are constantly on the move. And for people on the go, it also means that the gadget has to be compact.

EXTERNAL STORAGE

A sizable external storage is a must have for entertainment enthusiasts and those who don't like to clutter their devices up with too much stuff. These external HDDs and SSD are our picks for your storage solutions.

1. SEAGATE STEA1000400
PRICE: BDT 4,999/-
CAPACITY: 1TB
HIGHLIGHT: At just 168gm, this HDD is not only one of the lightest, but also one of the cheapest options when it comes to 1TB HDDs



2. TOSHIBA CANVIO 2TB
PRICE: BDT 7,300/-
CAPACITY: 2TB
HIGHLIGHT: One of the cheaper 2TB HDD options on the market and weighing in at only 149gm, it too is another light affair



3. TRANSCEND TS2TSJM100
PRICE: BDT 8,600/-
CAPACITY: 2TB
HIGHLIGHT: An HDD exclusive for Mac users, the hard drive will work on Mac OS X 10.7 and later versions



4. TRANSCEND ESD350C SSD
PRICE: BDT 7,600/-
CAPACITY: 240GB
HIGHLIGHT: Comes with a USB-C port and transfer speeds of up to 1050MB/s



POWERBANKS

All the recommendations listed below come with its own battery size giving you a nice approximation of whether or not it'd be a solid partner for your next Trans-Atlantic flight. Just make sure to carry it on your person instead of putting it in the luggage.

1. BAOZU M3
PRICE: BDT 3,450/-
BATTERY SIZE: 20,000 mAh
HIGHLIGHT: Supports Vooc Dash charging



2. POWERADD PILOT PRO
PRICE: \$109
BATTERY SIZE: 32,000 mAh
HIGHLIGHT: Can charge all your devices, including your Macbook and Windows laptops



3. ENERGIZER UE10042
PRICE: BDT 1,850/-
BATTERY SIZE: 10,000 mAh
HIGHLIGHT: Fits in the palm of your hands



4. ANKER POWERCORE II SLIM
PRICE: BDT 2,990/-
BATTERY SIZE: 10,000 mAh
HIGHLIGHT: Slim form factor makes it easy to carry around in your pockets



BLUETOOTH SPEAKERS

One could argue that a pair of earphones can get the job done as well but if you want to enjoy some content or the other, in a group setting, then look no further than these picks. It also helps that these bluetooth speakers could fill your entire living room up with sound.

1. ANKER SOUNDCORE SPORT
PRICE: BDT 2,850/-
PLAY TIME: 10 hours
HIGHLIGHT: IPX7 water resistance and ruggedness, tucked in a small form factor



2. JBL FLIP 4
PRICE: BDT 11,500/-
PLAY TIME: 12 hours
HIGHLIGHT: IPX7 water resistance, industry leading build and clarity of low end produced by the speakers



3. ANKER SOUNDCORE 2
PRICE: BDT 3,990/-
PLAY TIME: Up to 24 hours (Subject to volume and audio content)
HIGHLIGHT: IPX5 water resistance, Bluetooth 4.2 and battery life



4. AWEI Y200
PRICE: BDT 1,399/-
PLAY TIME: 4 to 8 hours
HIGHLIGHT: A reliable and budget friendly option



PORTABLE LAPTOP COOLER

Depending on the laptop, whether it's a broken down laptop from 2010 or a beefy studio or gaming laptop, a laptop cooler is imperative to any compact setup. Simply put, laptops get hot and these are the devices you can think about bringing along with you.

1. HAVIT HV-F2050
PRICE: BDT 700/-
NUMBER OF FANS: 2
HIGHLIGHT: Adjustable height and slim design



2. THERMALTAKE MASSIVE V20
PRICE: BDT 1,350/-
NUMBER OF FANS: 1
HIGHLIGHT: Giant fan to take care of all cooling needs for laptops as large as 17-inches



3. HAVIT HV-F2060
PRICE: BDT 1,200/-
NUMBER OF FANS: 6
HIGHLIGHT: Slim design and a lot of wind cooling



4. BLACKCAT LAPTOP COOLING BC-5
PRICE: BDT 700/-
NUMBER OF FANS: 2
HIGHLIGHT: Adjustable height



Four most used video calling apps

WhatsApp launched ten years ago and if you took a look back, Skype was the undisputed leader of the video calling game. Fast forward to now and Skype is nowhere near the top five anymore, but has since been dethroned by these four.

WHATSAPP
REGISTERED USERS: 1600 million
Launching in 2009, WhatsApp started life as an instant messenger app and has since gone to become the number one video calling/ IM app in the world. WhatsApp has close to 2 billion registered users and there are no signs indicating a slow down for the green giants.

FACEBOOK MESSENGER
REGISTERED USERS: 1300 million
Started as a standalone messenger app, Facebook Messenger was independent from the Facebook app and browser and was meant to compete with the likes of WhatsApp and Skype. And compete it did,

amassing around 1.5 billion people while it was at it.

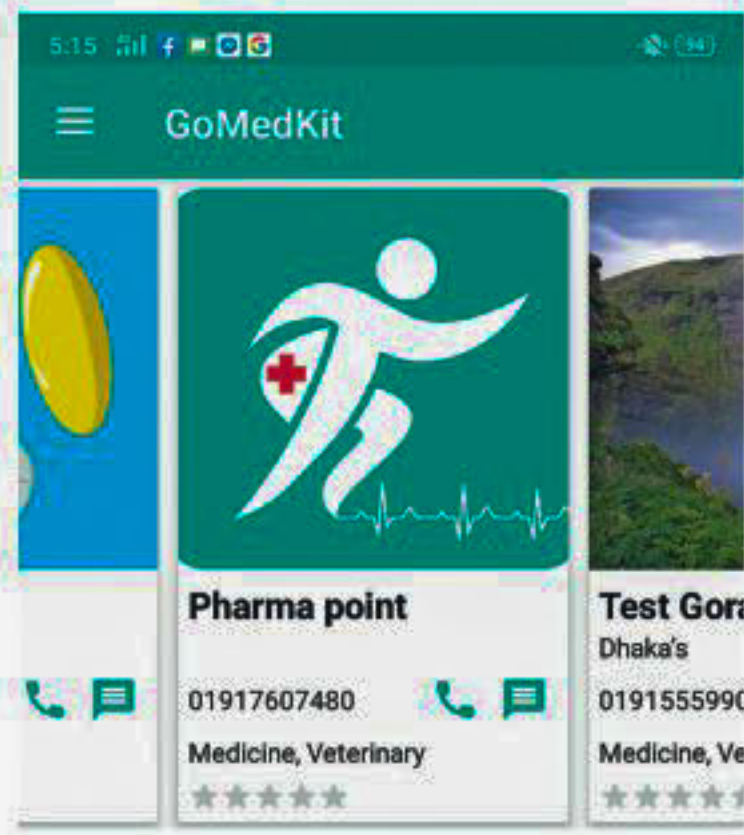
WECHAT
REGISTERED USERS: 1112 million
The growth of WeChat, as an all-in-one platform is a thing to behold but it has grown exponentially as one of the most prominent IM and video calling apps in China. Roughly 900 million users out of the 1112 million people are from China.

QQ MOBILE
REGISTERED USERS: 823 million
Tencent Mobile, one of the largest tech conglomerates in the world devised QQ Mobile in a bid to capture the Chinese market. While the app expanded to Android and iOS in only 2013, it has been around longer than most with the apps earliest iteration, Tencent QQ, being launched in 1999.



APPS ON THE FLOOR GoMedKit: Online medicine delivery

Platform: Android
Size: 8MB
Number of Installs: 500+
Rating: 4.0/5.0
GoMedKit is one of the first of its kind app in Bangladesh that promises medicine delivery within 59 minutes. Sounds amazing, right? We haven't tried it yet but let's have a look at the app and its interface. After installing the app, you need to register it with a phone number. Interestingly, besides SMS you can also use Whatsapp to verify the number. Once verified, you need to create a profile. After creating a profile, choose the medicine option. Now comes the ordering part of medicines. The cool part of the app is that you don't need to type the name of the medicine rather just take a photo of the prescription. Crop it accordingly



to make sure none of the medicine has been missed. Now, time to select your delivery location. Point it out on the map or manually input it in the address bar. Once done, it will show you the address according to the map. If there's any discrepancy, then you can type out the address to make sure the medicines are delivered to that very location correctly. After confirming the address, it will connect you with the nearest GoMedKit registered pharmacy or seller. The not-so-cool part of the app is that only a handful of locations are covered properly right now, so you might not be able to get your medicines delivered, right away. Also, we thought the UI and UX experience of the app requires some improvement.

TECH BITS

1. Google-backed delivery startup Dunzo raises \$45M to expand business in India



2. Instagram launches Threads, a Close Friends chat app with auto-status



3. Zuckerberg has stated that Facebook will sue to stop EU's global content takedowns



4. Uber launches Uber Works, a shift-work finder app, already starting in Chicago



5. WhatsApp is testing a self-destructing messages feature

