

Mitsubishi to assist Pragati Industries with local production

The Vice-President of Mitsubishi Motors Corporation Tatsuo Sato gave a proposal to the Minister of Industries Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun on assisting Pragati Industries Ltd. with local vehicle production under the marque on December 4, while attending a meeting about forming an integrated automobile policy for Bangladesh. They expressed interest in jointly-manufacturing buses, trucks, pick-ups and motor cars with the state-run organisation.

When asked, the minister said that



the government has already formed a draft of automobile industrial policy to increase local and foreign production and are now taking the opinions of stakeholders such as Mitsubishi. Currently, Mitsubishi already jointly assembles some of their vehicles with Pragati in

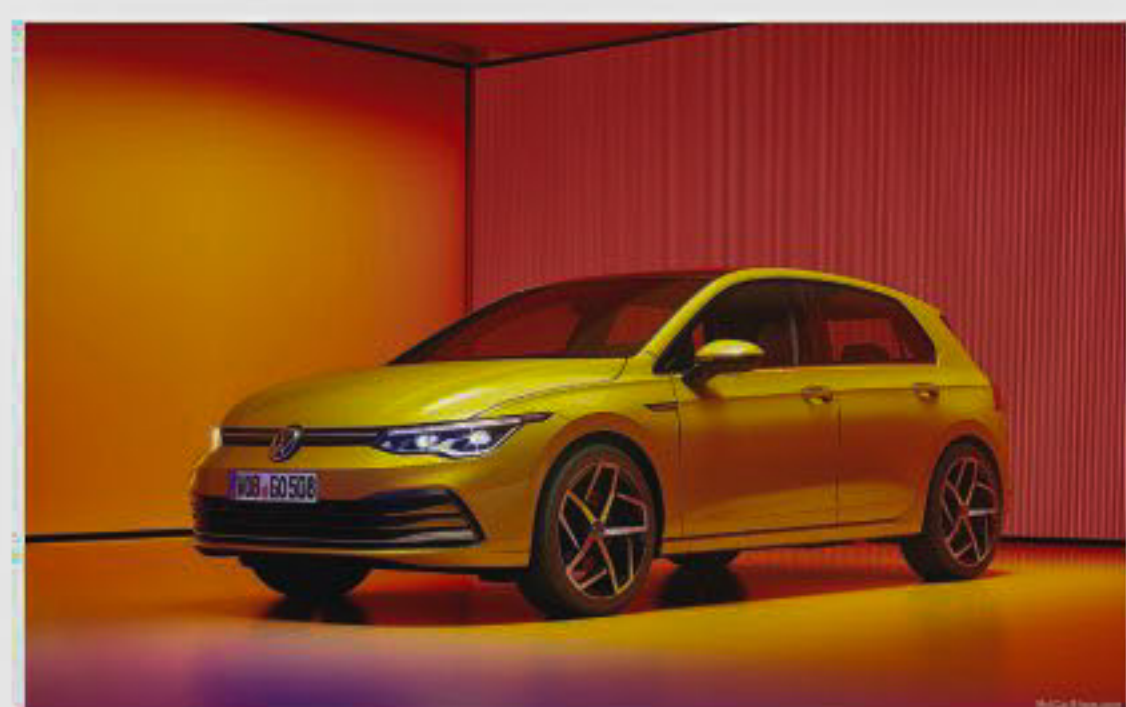
Bangladesh, including the Pajero Sport SUV.

Local production of internal combustion engine vehicles at a time when the world is slowly moving towards electric vehicles (EV) seems counter-productive. In fact, two local companies, Bangladesh Auto Industries Ltd. and Nitol Motors, are already setting up for local EV production, with Nitol announcing plans to bring their EVs to the market by March 2020. The vehicle will cost about BDT 12 lakh, and will have a maximum speed of 150 km/h.

New cars around the globe



Peugeot takes a design that works, turns it into one that doesn't for the 2020 2008 CUV. Confused? So are we. Will AG Motors bring it? Probably.



The best hatchback in the world gets a fresh new design for the MK8 generation, with funky little touches. How will it fare post Dieselgate?



Jaguar's first gen F-type might have been the best looking new car on the planet. With this facelift...not so much. Back to basics, Jag, please!

Scholarship award hosted by Thyrocare Bangladesh



The first 'Thyrocare Niaz Morshed Leadership Scholarship Award' by Thyrocare Bangladesh was held on November 27 at Confidence Centre, Pragoti, Dhaka.

A total of 15 students from various reputed colleges around Dhaka city were selected to take part in this scholarship. Out of these, 11 outstanding students were awarded scholarships of BDT 1,00,000 each and the remaining 4 were awarded BDT 10,000 each.

The selected candidates will go through a year-long mentorship program including 10-12 sessions through which they will receive various training on interpersonal, problem-solving, analytical, and communication skills. At the end of the program, the students will be encouraged to mentor other students to create future leaders.

SRHR Knowledge Fair 2019 hosted by Share-Net Bangladesh

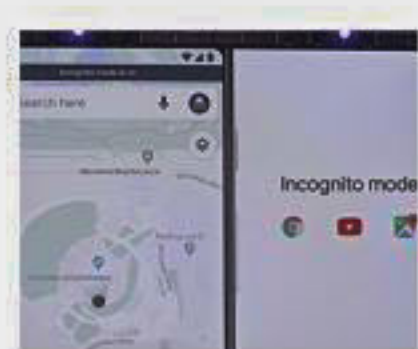


The "Share-Net Bangladesh Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) Knowledge Fair 2019" was held on December 8, at Spectra Convention Centre, Gulshan-1.

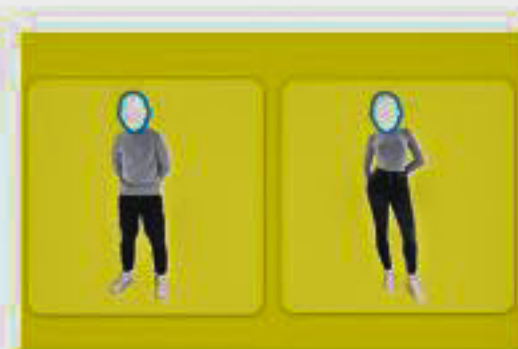
Hosted by RedOrange Media and Communications with the theme 'SDG 5: Key to Gender Equality', the day-long knowledge fair hosted a plenary session on 'Role of Donors, Government and Private Sectors in Advancing Sustainable Development Goal 5, particularly SRHR'. Three parallel scientific sessions also took place at the event, which aimed to advance learning and promote dialogue on SRHR. This was followed by various presentations, interactive discussions and live cultural performances.

About three hundred professionals participated in the event, with Dr Asa Torkelsson, Country Representative of UNFPA as the Guest of Honour. Also present as special guests were Selima Ahmad MP, President of BWCCI and Trina Oviedo, First Secretary (Development), High Commission of Canada.

TechBits



Google Maps Incognito mode arrives on iPhone



Snapchat is preparing to launch feature that uses selfies to replace the faces of people in videos



Canva, the design company announced a variety of new features, including a video editing tool



Minecraft is getting PS4 cross-play support



Instagram has finally added an age verification to bar users from joining below the age of 13

EDITOR'S NOTE

Being familiar is a sure fire way to a slow agonising death. Doing the same Uber shuffle, eating the same cup of watery, sugary Nescafe and scrolling through the endless Facebook feed of 'look what I just bought'. You can't grow if you're not a little uncomfortable.

Growing comes with pains—if you don't have a lot to do and you can afford to sit around and watch plants grow, you'd be hearing the tiny groans and squawks as your money plant inches its way up balcony grill. However, growing pains are worth it because at the end of the rainbow, you can get a pot of fertiliser.

This week we bring you options to learn new things—if you haven't realised it, you learn more now that you're online (if you're a child, show this to your parents). There's a bunch of things to learn on YouTube, but if you want more specific and curated topics, we bring you a roundup of the best e-learning platforms you can find out there on the interwebs.

We also teach you how to identify fake news, and rant about how it can be used to control you. Because what's learning without knowing how to avoid those pesky wrong turns?

There's also a bit about how you can follow your passion and turn it into a career—if you're a car geek, that is.

It's going to be uncomfortable because you may second guess your current existence. If growing hurts so much, try our lo-fi playlist, right at the end.

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