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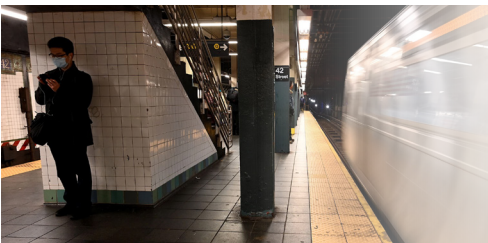


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Ola, a transportation network company (TNC), lends its technology platform to the Indian government. The platform offers the ability to track vehicles and people, and it comes with a feature that can verify whether people are wearing masks. The platform is already being used in Punjab to ensure people are following social distancing protocols at food markets.

COURIER NETWORK SERVICES

Lyft launches an on-demand goods delivery service. The service will provide essential goods - such as groceries, meals, and medical supplies - to people in need. The service will be supported by Lyft; partner organizations (e.g., governmental agencies, nonprofit groups, businesses); and Mastercard. Drivers for the service will be paid in the same way as for TNC trips.



APPS

Apple releases an online tool showing mobility trends from Apple Maps. The aggregated data, which includes data from major cities and 63 regions, is available for download as a comma-separated values (CSV) file. Rather than using location data, Apple pulled its information from the number of requests made to Apple Maps for directions.

SCOOTER SHARING

Lime reactivates small fleets of scooters in select cities throughout the world. The program, "Lime Aid," will also offer free 30-minute scooter rides to public health workers and law enforcement officers. Lime will partner with cities to determine the best deployment locations to help essential workers.



AUTOMATED VEHICLES



Pony.ai and Yamibuy, an ecommerce platform, launch an automated vehicle (AV) delivery service in Irvine, CA. Pony.ai is using its AV fleet of retrofitted Hyundai Konas to deliver packages and groceries from Yamibuy. Each vehicle can carry 10 to 20 orders, and the car's safety driver will act as the delivery person. The pilot will extend through mid-Summer 2020.

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