

Australian flight carrier, Qantas operated world's first zero-waste flight



Recently, the Australian flight carrier, **Qantas** has operated world's first zero waste commercial flight named **QF739** from Sydney to Adelaide which disposed all waste through compost, reuse or recycle. This airline has substituted over 1000 single-use plastic items with more environment friendly items which has helped airline to achieve zero-waste during commercial flight.

Former SC Judge KS Radhakrishnan appointed member of Commonwealth Secretariat Arbitral Tribunal

Former Supreme Court judge, KS Radhakrishnan has been appointed as a member of Commonwealth Secretariat Arbitral Tribunal (CSAT) for a term of 4 year. Headquarter of the CSAT is in London.

FDA approved first Dengue vaccine named Dengvaxia

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA), United States has approved first vaccine named **Dengvaxia** for the prevention of dengue disease but with certain conditions that use dengue vaccine only in people who have a previous history of the disease. The vaccine is also known as **CYD-TDV** and made by company **Sanofi Pasteur**.

WHO reported over 1.35 million deaths caused by road accidents

According to World Health Organisation (WHO) report published during the on-going road safety week revealed that over 1.35 million people died every year due to road accidents in the 5-29 age group and around 50 million people sustain injuries during the road accidents. Since 2008, India has reported highest number of deaths due to road accident worldwide.

India has signed **Brasilia Declaration on Road Safety in 2015** and India has committed to reduce the number of death due to road accidents to **half by 2020**.

The 158th birth anniversary of Tagore was celebrated today on the 9th of May, 2019

Today, the 158th birth anniversary of Rabindra Nath Tagore, Asia's first Nobel laureate and composer of India's National Anthem, was celebrated. This day is also called '**Rabindra Jayanti**' symbolising his birth anniversary.

5th United Nations Global Road Safety Week observed from May 6 to 12

Celebrated once in two years, the 5th United Nations Global Road Safety Week is being observed from **May 6 to 12, 2019**. It emphasizes that everyone can be a leader for road safety. The theme for this year's weekly event is "Leadership for road safety"

It launched an ongoing **campaign "Save Lives – #SpeakUp"** to achieve global goals by ensuring the safety of human life. It runs on the philosophy of "Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020".

Singapore passes 'fake news' law

Singapore's parliament passed the Protection from **Online Falsehood and Manipulation Act (POFMA)**, a move to tackle the spread of online fake news. The bill was passed after two days of debate in the parliament. A total of 72 Members of Parliament (MP) voted for the bill.



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