

Apple Maps to report road hazards, speed traps

Apple Maps is working on an update that will give users the ability to report road hazards, accidents, or even speed traps.

The new features are being tested in the iOS 14.5 beta, by public beta testers as well as developers.

With the new features, drivers will be able to report road issues and incidents by using Siri on their iPhone or through Apple's CarPlay, the company claims. Commands such as "there's a crash up ahead," or "there's a speed trap here," will let Siri mark a location, while a user can removes an icon by issuing commands such as "the hazard is gone" or the "incident is no longer here."

Apple is planning to release the update to the general public later this spring.

NASA to equip astronauts and employees with Fitbits

NASA will provide 1,000 of its employees Fitbit wearables to help prevent the spread of Covid-19

The pilot program — which also includes 150 astronauts — is designed to see if the devices can help keep these mission-critical personnel healthy ahead of key space missions. The wearables will feature a daily check-in app that can log potential symptoms, body temperature and other key

health metrics that have been linked to Covid-19.

The program is designed to supplement NASA's existing measures to isolate astronauts and to limit or prevent the spread of Covid-19 across its facilities. The Agency hopes the app will provide individuals in the program with guidance about whether they should go to work, or stay home and take additional measures to find out if they have Covid-19.



EDITOR'S NOTE

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Same time, last year, it all seemed normal. It has been exactly one year when we last felt oblivious to anything changing so drastically. We were bored, jaded, tired. And then the world went upside down to let us know that bored, jaded, tired wasn't so bad.

We persevered. This year Daily Star completed 30 years of journalism, seeing leaders rise and topple, but more importantly, seeing the change in menu in our canteen. Oh yeah, because nibbling on food keeps us going. From the humble 'puri' we have gone on to kachchi, chicken kabab roll and assorted veggies that only two people in our office like. Yes, Nahaly Nafisa and Zyma, I'm looking at you.

In keeping with that change and all that good stuff, we have a new magazine of Shift out this week. Watch online for details.

Ehsanur Raza Ronny, Editor

NEW CAR THIS WEEK The Audi E-tron GT makes its electrified debut

With the debut of the Porshe Tycan, it was only a matter of time before the other brands under the Volkswagen group will have their own take on the electric luxury sedan. And surely enough, here is Audi with their new E-tron GT. Outwardly, the car looks like any





other Auto Union's big boats, with only the blocked-off front grille reminding you that it has no gasoline engine.

In terms of power, the performance-focused RS trim generates 590 hp and 612 lb-ft of torque, with a 0-100 of 3.1 seconds.

In terms of range, Audi claims the 93.4kilowatt-hour lithium-ion battery pack will give the RS a range of 373 km, though expect that number to change after the official EPA estimates come out.

The interior of the car is typically Audi, meaning there are screens everywhere. The sports seats on the RS are aggressive, with the upholstery being backed up by an ample amount of carbon fiber and red stitching.

Overall, a great addition to the EV market, even though the \$139,900 sticker price for the RS is a bit too much for most people.

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