

News you should not miss on the platform economy in India



October 2020 - Some of **Swiggy's** delivery partners in Hyderabad have been on a strike since September 15 to protest against low wages. A couple of days after the Hyderabad strike began, Swiggy delivery workers in Noida launched a protest over similar demands. *(Inc42)*

October, 2020 - The **Code on Social Security** directs digital aggregator platforms to contribute 1 to 2 percent of their annual turnover towards **social security** provisions for their workers. But experts say that the legislation should have considered issues with regard to fluctuation of income and continuity in getting work.

(Forbes India)

October, 2020 - Bangalore: The gig economy will lead **80%** of overall demand for jobs in 2020.

Among the cities, Bengaluru, Mumbai, Delhi and Hyderabad will create the most job opportunities.

(Betterplace)

September, 2020 - New Delhi: A section of drivers working with cab aggregators **Ola and Uber** went on **strike** affecting services in some parts of Delhi-NCR as they demanded a fare hike and moratorium on loan repayment.

(The Economic Times)



10 things (+1) you may not know on the platform economy around the world

UNITED STATES

October, 2020 - Seattle approves minimum pay rate for **Uber and Lyft** drivers.

The city became the second in the nation to create a compensation standard for taxi drivers, after New York.

(The New York Times)

AUSTRALIA

October, 2020 - The **gig economy** is much bigger than previously thought, with up to **7 per cent** of working-age Australians – just under one million people – doing “platform work” in the past 12 months.

(In The Black)

ARGENTINA

October, 2020 - October 8th a new **international strike** of delivery men took place. In **Argentina**, the **distributors demanded** an increase in payment per order, medical coverage, ART, paid licenses and recognition of the labor relationship they have with the companies.

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SPAIN

September, 2020 - The Supreme Court rules that the **"riders"** are false self-employed.

Glovo is not a mere intermediary in the contracting of services between businesses and distributors.

(El País)

SWITZERLAND

September, 2020 - **Geneva** ends **precarious contracts** for **Uber Eats** delivery staff. Uber Eats deliverers will benefit from an employment contract which will guarantee four weeks of vacation and a gross salary of 20.65 francs.

(Radio Télévision Suisse)

FRANCE

September, 2020 - **UberEats, Deliveroo** workers drive French surge in new companies.

The number of new transport businesses jumping **29%** in June and July from a year earlier.

(Reuters)

MALAYSIA

September, 2020 - The government has allocated **RM100 million** for the **career advancement program**.

The **Gig Economy program** provides skills training that will help participants to generate income through the gig economy as freelancers.

(New Straits Times)

PHILIPPINES

September, 2020 - According to a report by **Payoneer** on the **"Global Gig Economy Index"** the Philippines placed sixth in the world as the fastest-growing market for the gig industry, revealing a **35 per cent** growth in freelance earnings.

(The Asean Post)

UNITED KINGDOM

August, 2020 - Police back **Uber's** bid to keep London licence because taxi firm **shares data** about its 3.5m passengers and 45,000 drivers with **intelligence officers**.

(Daily Mail)

THE NETHERLANDS

August, 2020 - Jitse Groen (**Just Eat Takeaway**) has declared that they intend to **stop using Gig Workers** across Europe.

They would rather run their business with people who get benefits and more protection in the workplace. *(BBC News)*

SOUTH AFRICA

May, 2020 - A recently released report shows that those working in South Africa's gig economy (**Uber, Mr D, and SweepSouth**) are falling through the cracks of government and private sector responses to **COVID-19**. *(University of Cape Town)*