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Flying taxis could be here in next three years - 17th February, 2022

### Level 0

There will soon be flying taxis, just like from science fiction movies. The Japanese airline ANA and a U.S. company will fly air taxis at the 2025 World Expo. Pilots will follow air traffic rules. The five-seat, all-electric taxi will take off and land like a helicopter. It can fly as far as 241 kilometers. It has a top speed of 321kph.

The taxis are environmentally friendly. People can lower their carbon footprint. Japan is a great place to test the taxis because 92% of people live in cities. ANA has 70 years of safe and reliable flights. It said the taxis will let people "travel rapidly, and sustainably, from an international airport to a downtown location".

#### Level 1

There will soon be flying taxis. Many of us grew up watching science fiction movies with these. The Japanese airline ANA and a U.S. tech start-up called Joby Aviation will fly air taxis at the 2025 World Expo in Osaka. They are currently building the taxis. They will need to follow air traffic rules. They will also need to train flying taxi pilots. The five-seat, all-electric taxi will take off and land vertically. It will fly as far as 241 kilometers and have a top speed of 321kph.

Joby said the taxis are environmentally friendly. People can reduce their carbon footprint. It said Japan was a great place to test the taxis because 92 per cent of the population live in towns and cities. The president of ANA said the airline has 70 years of safe and reliable flights. He said it was good that customers have "the option to travel rapidly, and sustainably, from an international airport to a downtown location".

#### Level 2

There will soon be a new form of transport - flying taxis. Many of us grew up watching sci-fi movies with these. Science fiction is becoming science fact. The Japanese airline ANA and a U.S. tech start-up called Joby Aviation will start operating air taxis at the 2025 World Expo in Osaka. They are currently building the flying vehicle. They need to work out what traffic rules the taxis will follow, and what kind of training flying taxi pilots will need. The five-seat, all-electric taxi will take off and land vertically. It will fly as far as 241 kilometers and have a top speed of 321kph.

Joby's CEO said the taxis are good for the environment. He said people will save time and reduce their carbon footprint. He added that Japan was a great place to test the taxis. This is because 92 per cent of the population live in towns and cities, and Tokyo is one of the most congested cities in the world. The president of ANA was excited about the project. He said: "ANA has 70 years of experience delivering safe and reliable flights....Being able to provide customers with the option to travel rapidly, and sustainably, from an international airport to a downtown location is very appealing."

## Level 3

A new form of transport will be with us in the next few years - flying taxis. Many of us grew up watching sci-fi movies with airborne taxis. Science fiction is now becoming science fact. The Japanese airline ANA has teamed up with a U.S. tech start-up called Joby Aviation. The two companies aim to start operating air taxis at the 2025 World Expo in Osaka. They are currently working together on building the flying vehicle. They also need to work out what traffic rules the taxis will need to follow, and what kind of training flying taxi pilots will need. The five-seat, all-electric taxi will be able to take off and land vertically. It will have a flight range of 241 kilometers and a top speed of 321kph.

Joby's CEO said the taxis would be good for the environment. He told reporters: "Joby exists to help people save time while reducing their carbon footprint. Japan offers us a spectacular opportunity to do just that with 92 per cent of the population living in urban areas, and Tokyo being one of the top 20 most congested cities in the world." The president of ANA, Koji Shibata, was also excited about the project. He said: "ANA has 70 years of experience delivering safe and reliable flights to customers across the world....Being able to provide them with the option to travel rapidly, and sustainably, from an international airport to a downtown location is very appealing."