**Vaithiyanathan Judge: “Cow is just an animal like a hen or goat... then why should one not kill and eat it?”**  
  
Cow is also an animal, but... a cow has many specialties that no other animal (not even human beings) has in this world. This is the reason that Hindus consider cow as ‘mother’ after their own mother, and pray to the cow with respect calling it “go-matha”.  
  
These are some truths about go-matha.  
  
If a cow eats something poisonous by mistake, and we drink its milk, will we fall ill? To find out, one cow was regularly fed a particular quantity of a poison every day. After 24 hours, its blood, urine, dung and milk were tested in a lab to check where the poison could be found. In this way, the tests were done not for 1 or 2 days, but continuously for 90 days in All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) New Delhi. The researcher did not find any trace of poison in milk, blood, urine or dung of that cow.  
  
Then where did this poison fed for 90 days go? Just like Lord Shiva held poison in his throat, the go-matha hid the entire poison in her throat. This is a special quality that no other animal has.  
  
1. This is the only creature that inhales oxygen and also exhales oxygen.  
  
2. Cow milk has the quality of countering poison.  
  
3. There are diseases that medical science has not yet understood; urine   
 of Go-matha has the power to cure them.  
  
4. If cow-ghee and rice are cooked together, two powerful gases called   
 ethylene-oxide, propylene-oxide are released. Propylene-oxide is the   
 best gas used for creating artificial rain.  
  
5. Cow-urine is the world’s best killer of microbes  
  
6. With medicines made using cow dung and cow urine, stomach-related   
 ailments can be cured.  
  
7. We can save ourselves from radio-waves by plastering the home   
 floors and area outside home with cow-dung  
  
8. Cow-dung has the power to destroy the microbes causing cholera  
  
9. If 10 grams of cow-ghee is put in fire (yagnya), 1 ton of oxygen is   
 generated  
  
10. Cow-urine is as sacred as ganga-jal

* “Cow protection is the way that our species, our dharma will be protected. Cow-protection is no less than the need for independence.” - Mahatma Gandhi
* Cow’s milk is tonic, its ghee is ambrosia and its meat is disease (Hazarat Mohamed)
* Killing a cow is equivalent to killing a human (Jesus Christ)
* Cow is a great boon to human society. Where a cow is looked after well, and protected, that country’s land will be great. Homes will prosper. Culture will progress. (Bernard Mike Faden)
* The Quran does not encourage cow-slaughter (Hakeel Hajmal Khan)
* Cow-slaughter is against the rules of Islam (Tauhin-e-Hind Bijaharu)
* Can we see unity in diversity anywhere in the world other than in India? Whether we are a Hindu or a Muslim, or a Christian, as long as we live in our country, we are an Indian. Respecting the culture and tradition of our country is our dharma.
* Freedom does not mean “live as we please”. It means living in a way that our country would like.  
    
  Salute to Go-Matha (Vande Go-matharam)