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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER*

- *1. Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health how will the Ministry (i) further collaborate with the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) to advance Singapore as a centre of excellence for vaccine research and development (ii) establish a global network of trusted national regulators and production facilities and (iii) safeguard Singapore's priority access to vaccines supply at a favourable price level during peacetime and pandemics.
- *2. Dr Neo Kok Beng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health as regards the Government's national strategy to prepare for future pandemics (a) what is the role of mRNA technology compared with other vaccine technologies; and (b) what is the budget allocated for the Programme for Research in Epidemic Preparedness and REsponse (PREPARE) and PrepVax programmes to maintain pandemic preparedness.
- *3. Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for Education whether, in designing the revised Primary One registration framework, the Ministry has assessed (i) the extent to which priority accorded to children living within specified distances of a school contributes to differences in residential property values around popular primary schools and (ii) the potential impact of the revised framework on social mixing among pupils in the affected schools.
- *4. Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry will consider providing a transition period of about three years for the revised Primary One registration framework, given that some families may have made residential, childcare and schooling arrangements based on the existing home-school distance criteria.
- *5. Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Minister for Education in respect of the 12 schools implementing the Phase 2C Two-Track Scheme from the 2027 Primary 1 Registration Exercise (a) what baseline and outcome indicators will be used to assess access and socio-economic mixing; and (b) whether the Ministry will publish annually, by school and track, statistics on applicants, vacancies, balloting, and admissions outcomes.
- *6. Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what are the plans to ensure that students living beyond 2km of the 12 schools with a two-track scheme for Phase 2C of Primary 1 registration will have easy access to the schools by school bus or public transport; and (b) whether there are any plans to expand the eligibility for school bus subsidies for such students.
- *7. Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether MOE Kindergarten pupils who are not successfully admitted to the primary schools co-located with their kindergartens represent a significant number; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider strengthening the priority accorded to such pupils.

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- *8. **Assoc Prof Kenneth Goh:** To ask the Minister for Education regarding the recent changes to the Primary 1 registration framework aimed at broadening access and social mixing, how will the Ministry assess (i) whether greater social mixing translates into meaningful integration and (ii) whether students from different backgrounds have comparable opportunities in CCAs, enrichment and leadership, without being disadvantaged by programme costs, distance from school, or access to external tuition or coaching.
- *9. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will consider mandating or further encouraging employers to offer progressive medical benefits, such as reimbursement beyond consultation fees or paid sick leave without the need for a medical certificate.
- *10. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) whether the Singapore AI Safety Institute's ability to independently evaluate advanced AI models has been constrained by insufficient access from developers; (b) how risks are assessed where such access is unavailable; and (c) whether independent safety testing will be required for AI systems assessed to pose sufficiently high risks.
- *11. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) whether the Government has assessed whether existing sectoral incident-reporting requirements adequately capture serious incidents involving AI systems; and (b) where gaps remain, whether a cross-sector reporting framework for serious AI incidents will be considered.
- *12. **Mr Alex Yam Ziming:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information in light of the recent unauthorised access of the Australian government's systems by an autonomous AI agent (a) whether Singapore has assessed the resilience of Government digital systems against similar agentic AI behaviour; and (b) whether existing cybersecurity and incident-reporting frameworks adequately address autonomous actions by AI systems that were not specifically directed by human operators.
- *13. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) whether the Government will introduce mandatory safety requirements for frontier AI models deployed in Singapore, including pre-deployment risk assessments, independent safety testing, safeguards against misuse, and reporting of serious incidents; and (b) if so, how will these requirements be enforced and updated as AI capabilities evolve.
- *14. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information following Singapore's support for international oversight of frontier AI (a) how the Ministry determines whether overseas models are sufficiently safe for deployment in essential services when independent testing access is unavailable; and (b) which considerations would justify requiring verifiable safety evidence before deployment, rather than relying on developers' assurances.
- *15. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) whether the Government has set thresholds or indicators for when rapid AI model advancements will require additional safeguards beyond existing cybersecurity requirements; and (b) whether Singapore has contingency arrangements with foreign governments, major AI developers, and international cybersecurity bodies for cross-border AI-enabled cyber incidents.

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- *16. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance regarding sustained increases in US Treasury yields (a) how Singapore's borrowing costs and credit availability could change; (b) which households and businesses are most exposed; (c) whether additional support is needed; and (d) how public-sector Treasury holdings' value, income and risks could change, including those managed by MAS and GIC.
- *17. **Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will review the Migrant Domestic Worker (MDW) employment model to reduce excessive employer liability, strengthen employment agency accountability and address agencies' operational challenges, while enhancing safeguards for MDWs so that responsibilities and risks are more fairly shared across all parties.
- *18. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether public sector agencies and statutory boards are required to procure commercial cyber insurance; (b) whether MAS tracks industry cyber insurance claims and payout trends; and (c) how the Government ensures dispute resolution avenues like the Financial Industry Disputes Resolution Centre (FIDReC) have the capability to handle cyber insurance claim disputes.
- *19. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information with the removal of contact details for public officers from the Singapore Government Directory (SGDI), how can the public (i) corroborate the identity of an officer if they are in doubt of communication, including by contacting the officer directly if necessary and (ii) access the contact information of an officer for relevant and legitimate business.
- *20. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance for promoters of investment schemes (a) whether ScamShield will let the public check, for free, a promoter's directorships, bankruptcy, involvement in wound up companies and foreign regulators' alerts before investing; and (b) whether the Government will warn the public of promoters that its registers show as undischarged bankrupts or directors of companies wound up with unpaid debts, before victims report losses.
- *21. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) why the 2019 Penal Code amendments, which doubled penalties for offences against domestic workers, vulnerable persons and intimate partners, made every offence against the first two arrestable but not the third; and (b) whether voluntarily causing hurt to an intimate partner will be made arrestable without a prior protection order, or the Police empowered to issue protection notices.
- *22. **Mr Kwek Hian Chuan Henry:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Government will work with the insurance industry to enable senior policyholders to access part of their life insurance death benefits early to meet nursing home, caregiving and assisted living expenses, with a corresponding reduction in the eventual benefits payable to their beneficiaries.
- *23. **Ms Diana Pang Li Yen:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether there are benchmarks for investigation timelines in outrage of modesty cases; (b) what safeguards ensure evidence such as closed-circuit television (CCTV) camera footage is secured before deletion in such cases; and (c) what channels are available for victims to obtain progress updates and escalate concerns about investigative delays.

- *24. Ms Diana Pang Li Yen:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) in the past five years, what has been the annual turnover rate among Police investigation officers; (b) among departing officers interviewed, how many have cited long working hours or excessive workload as their primary reason for leaving; and (c) what measures are being taken to address workload and retention.
- *25. Dr Neo Kok Beng:** To ask the Minister for National Development in view of the coming intensive and extensive development activities in the built environment industry such as land reclamation, coastal protection and housing infrastructure (a) how many more professional engineers are projected to be required; and (b) what are the Ministry's plans to increase student enrolment in the industry, to meet projected demand.
- *26. Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment how does Singapore, as Chairman of ASEAN in 2027, intend to (i) collaborate with the International Atomic Energy Agency and ASEAN on the peaceful and safe use of nuclear energy in the region (ii) leverage collective interest of Member States to address high infrastructure and technology costs and (iii) establish regulatory framework and ensure compliance to safety protocols.
- *27. Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower for each year from 2021 to 2025 (a) how many migrant domestic workers were issued stern warnings from law enforcement agencies; (b) of these, how many were barred from future employment and how many were permitted to take up new employment; and (c) whether there is an avenue of appeal against such bars and, if not, why not.
- *28. Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower for each year since 2017 (a) what is the number of complaints made to the Tripartite Alliance for Fair and Progressive Employment Practices (TAFEP) in relation to pregnancy-related discrimination; (b) how many were escalated to the Employment Claims Tribunals (ECT); and (c) what percentage of TAFEP complaints and ECT cases, respectively, are resolved in favour of the employee.
- *29. Mr Kwek Hian Chuan Henry:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower in company liquidations involving migrant workers (a) whether migrant worker upkeep or repatriation costs have been treated as winding-up expenses, ranking ahead of employee salary claims; (b) if so, in how many cases has this occurred; and (c) whether any local employees consequently recovered less of their outstanding salaries.
- *30. Assoc Prof Terence Ho:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) what have been the take-up rates of (i) Career Conversion Programmes and (ii) other SkillsFuture-supported training initiatives for full-time taxi and private-hire car drivers over the past two years; and (b) whether there are targets for career conversion or training take-up rates under the recently launched manpower transition package for such drivers.
- *31. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Transport given LTA's statement on 18 September 2026 that autonomous vehicle deployment will not outpace support for affected drivers (a) what indicators the Ministry monitors to assess the displacement of taxi and private hire drivers, including driver earnings; and (b) what changes in these indicators could result in deployment being slowed.

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- *32. Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry anticipates progressive disruption to taxi and private hire drivers' livelihoods with the gradual expansion of autonomous vehicles for passenger service in Singapore; and (b) how may such drivers be supported in being reskilled or upskilled, or pivoting to careers in other industries.
- *33. Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Transport in view of Waymo's market entry into Singapore, whether the Ministry can provide (i) updated information on the timeline and milestones for operators of autonomous vehicles (AVs) (ii) safeguards such as a cap on AVs to pace the rollout and (iii) the measurable implementation targets for its plans to help point-to-point drivers find suitable work.
- *34. Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower what are the Ministry's plans to engage with platform operators to provide more support to platform delivery workers so that they too can benefit from the stronger heat stress protections as required for outdoor workers from 1 December 2026.
- *35. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Transport with regard to Waymo's driverless ride-hailing service targeted for 2028 (a) what intervention-free distance and maximum disengagement rate must be demonstrated under LTA's Deployment Readiness Assessment before driverless operations are approved; and (b) whether LTA will publish each operator's disengagement, incident and crash data before and after approval.
- *36. Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether MAS will engage the Life Insurance Association Singapore on moving critical illness policy definitions away from being anchored to a specific surgical procedure, and towards being anchored to the underlying disease and its severity, so that insurance cover is not lost solely due to differing treatment approaches.
- *37. Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what is the average distance between a child's home and that child's preschool; (b) whether Early Childhood Development Agency (ECDA) has analysed the correlation between this distance and preschool attendance rates, including any variation by housing type; and (c) whether proximity of residence will be given priority in the allocation of preschool places.
- *38. Ms Lee Hui Ying:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) for each year over the past three years, how many appeals were received by HDB to waive the 30-month wait-out period for former private homeowners before they can buy a subsidised HDB flat; and (b) how many appeals over the same periods were for the purchase of 5-room or larger HDB flats.
- *39. Mr Sanjeev Kumar Tiwari:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower in relation to the Ministry's recent report on Adoption of AI Among Firms (a) whether the Ministry can regularly measure the effect of AI adoption and job redesign on workload and working hours; and (b) whether it can consider incorporating workload and task-volume measures into iWorkHealth.
- *40. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what oversight role the Ministry plays in Institutes of Higher Learning's decisions to introduce free premium AI access for students; (b) what considerations, including risks of cognitive offloading and over-reliance, are made in assessing such plans; and (c) what safeguards will be put in place to prevent adverse effects on learning outcomes.

- *41. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Government considers it necessary to ban or restrict the usage of smart glasses with AI capabilities by public service officers during work in order to prevent or minimise the risk of breaches of the Official Secrets Act 1935.
- *42. **Dr Neo Kok Beng:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry will consider establishing a permanent, dedicated track under the Graduate Industry Traineeships (GRIT) scheme specifically tailored for graduates with special educational needs (SEN) and disabilities; (b) if so, what structural enhancements will be introduced to provide permanent job-coaching support and workplace accommodations; and (c) how does the Ministry plan to incentivise host organisations to sustain this specialised track over the long term.
- *43. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether the Government will review the specifications for household shelters in HDB flats, including the current 700 mm door opening, to ensure accessibility for wheelchair users; (b) if so, whether this will apply to new flats; and (c) what options are available to wheelchair users living in existing flats.
- *44. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether SCDF has assessed if the current 700 mm door opening requirement for household shelters adequately accommodates wheelchair users; and (b) whether the technical requirements can be reviewed to provide a wider door opening while maintaining the necessary structural and blast-protection standards.
- *45. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) what are the dimensions of priority spaces on public buses in circulation, by bus model and year introduced; (b) whether newer models have smaller spaces than earlier ones; (c) whether mobility device size limits on public transport accommodate heavy-duty, bariatric or tilt-in-space wheelchairs and mobility aids; and (d) if not, whether exemptions can be granted to specific users.
- *46. **Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance given the recent hike in oil prices, higher core inflation, and sharp rise in retrenchment figures in the second quarter of 2026, whether the Government would consider (i) increasing the CDC voucher payout in January 2027 (ii) bringing forward the \$300 CDC voucher meant to be distributed in January 2027 or (iii) providing additional help for lower-income households.
- *47. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Education regarding the 2027 smaller class size pilot (a) which measurable indicators will assess gains for disadvantaged students; (b) how changes in teachers' total student loads and working hours will be measured against pre-pilot levels; (c) when findings will be published; and (d) which benchmarks will determine expansion beyond the pilot schools.
- *48. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education in the Ministry's planned pilot on smaller class sizes, whether mainstream classes with higher levels of learning and support needs, including students with special educational needs (SEN), will be included to assess whether differentiated class sizes and additional in-class support improve teaching and learning outcomes in classrooms with greater complexity.

- *49. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what proactive outreach mechanisms exist to identify isolated informal caregivers of senior citizens not connected to healthcare networks; and (b) given that Active Ageing Centres focus primarily on senior care recipients, whether the Ministry will set up dedicated caregiver touchpoints in every estate and establish a centralised national caregiver registry to systematically connect those caring for seniors to support services.
- *50. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) whether the Ministry intends to conduct a national study to quantify the scale of “hidden adults” in Singapore, referring to individuals with prolonged social withdrawal; and (b) what resources are available for the community and families seeking support or intervention.
- *51. Ms Lee Hui Ying:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information to prevent unbalanced screen use among seniors (a) whether data on the amount and nature of screen use among seniors have been collected, including average daily screen time; and (b) if so, what does the data show for different age groups.
- *52. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) whether the Government collects data on the amount and nature of screen use among seniors, including average daily screen time and types of online activities; (b) if so, what are the findings across different age groups among seniors; and (c) if not, whether the Government intends to collect such data.
- *53. Mr Kwek Hian Chuan Henry:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether the Government will consider providing temporary financial support to caregivers of persons requiring substantial short-term care due to temporary disabilities or acute medical conditions but do not qualify for the Home Caregiving Grant.
- *54. Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information whether the Government will consider requiring online platforms which are accessible to minors to provide age-calibrated safeguards for monetised interactions, including parental controls, spending limits, cooling-off mechanisms and prominent disclosure of cumulative spending.
- *55. Ms Cassandra Lee:** To ask the Minister for Education as part of efforts to reduce the stakes and stress associated with the PSLE, whether the Ministry will (i) study whether pupils with access to an affiliated secondary school experience lower PSLE-related stress and (ii) consider how more pupils could benefit from greater continuity between primary and secondary school, including through additional affiliation or school partnership arrangements.
- *56. Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry will consider requiring secondary schools to clearly signpost in advance the academic criteria for students to progress to a more demanding subject level, and allowing students who meet those criteria to progress automatically instead of leaving the final decision to the discretion of individual schools.
- *57. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) for admission to the autonomous universities (AUs), whether the Government is aware of (i) any limitations placed on recognising part-time, as compared with full-time, diplomas from local polytechnics and (ii) the reasons for these limitations; (b) if so, what are they; and (c) whether the Government plans to work with the AUs to review these limitations.

- *58. Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry has studied the availability, affordability and age limits of group medical, personal accident and other workplace insurance for employees aged 65 and above; (b) whether there is evidence that such factors have affected hiring or re-employment of older employees; and (c) whether measures will be introduced to ensure such insurance keeps pace with rising retirement and re-employment ages.
- *59. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will consider lowering the eligibility of senior workers employed under the Part-Time Re-employment Grant from age 60 to age 50, with funding disbursed through a tiered approach, so that more workers can benefit.
- *60. Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower (a) whether any other further measures have been introduced to promote flexible work arrangements (FWAs) since the launch of the Tripartite Guidelines on Flexible Work Arrangement Requests; (b) if so, what are they; and (c) how are their effectiveness and implementation by employers of these measures being assessed.
- *61. Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) how the Government assesses the economic value generated by data centres relative to their use of scarce energy, water and land resources, including their contribution to local employment, business expenditure and productivity.
- *62. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what the present statistics, if any, reflect about the average number of in-vitro fertilisation (IVF) cycles required for a successful pregnancy; and (b) if the Government has plans to adjust the relevant subsidies based on the statistics, to allow flexibility beyond the present cap of three fresh and three frozen Assisted Reproduction Technology (ART) cycles.
- *63. Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for National Development in respect of the HDB Conversion Scheme (a) how many converted flats have been resold in the past 10 years and at what median prices; and (b) whether HDB assesses if their resale prices remain within reach of larger households seeking more space while remaining in their existing estate.
- *64. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) how are passenger capacity and loading data for public bus routes evaluated during peak morning travel windows; (b) whether data collection accounts for unserved commuters who are unable to board because buses arrive at capacity; and (c) whether peak hour performance reviews evaluate critical micro-windows separately from broader hourly averages.
- *65. Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether HDB can consider greater enforcement leniency for motorists who make brief drop-offs or pick-ups at childcare centres, Active Ageing Centres and kidney dialysis centres within HDB estates, particularly where they need to assist young children or elderly patients; and (b) whether adequate short-term stopping areas can be provided at such facilities.
- *66. Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether a comprehensive assessment of the causes of recurring long traffic jams along Loyang Avenue and at the intersections with Pasir Ris Drive 3, including traffic volumes, traffic origin, junction capacity and merging patterns has been conducted; and (b) what further measures are being considered beyond the current interventions to address these constraints.

- *67. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what enforcement action has been taken against users of shared bicycles for non-compliance with the helmet-wearing rules when riding on a road; (b) how many summonses were issued to these users in each of the past three years; and (c) how authorities work with operators to inform users of this requirement before a bicycle is unlocked.
- *68. Ms Cassandra Lee:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether the Traffic Police tracks offences involving the use of curtains or sunshades on driver-side windows while driving; (b) if so, whether there has been an upward trend of such offences; (c) what penalties apply; and (d) whether enforcement will be stepped up, in light of recent measures to strengthen enforcement against unsafe driving behaviours.
- *69. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Transport whether the Ministry will consider requiring bus operators to (i) display QR codes on all public buses to enable immediate public feedback on driving performance of bus captains and (ii) introduce tiered incentives for bus captains tied to telematics-derived smooth driving scores and commuter feedback.
- *70. Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information following the fibre service disruption affecting about 2,000 households in Bishan and Thomson on 15 September 2026 (a) whether IMDA requires retail service providers to proactively inform affected subscribers of the restitution and avenues of redress that they are entitled to; and (b) if so, what are they.
- *71. Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Education in respect of sports coaches engaged by Ministry of Education (MOE) schools (a) what youth-specific training is required on child and adolescent growth, biological maturation, relative-age effects, early specialisation and age-appropriate training loads; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider requiring all such coaches to complete a recognised youth-development coaching module.
- *72. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) why are Singapore Citizens born in 2008 ineligible for both the SG Culture Pass and Curiosity Credits despite narrowly missing the cut-off age for the respective schemes; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider extending these schemes to this cohort.
- *73. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) how many incarcerated women have given birth while in custody in each of the past five years; (b) whether an incarcerated woman's spouse is permitted to accompany her during labour and delivery subject to appropriate security arrangements; (c) if not, why; and (d) what are the options for care arrangements for the newborn child.
- *74. Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) whether there are plans to provide an avenue similar to that provided by the Consumers Association of Singapore (CASE) for self-employed persons, including private-hire car drivers, to seek assistance against unfair commercial practices where transactions fall outside CASE's consumer remit and pursuing civil remedies may be costly or disproportionate to the sums in dispute.
- *75. Ms Cassandra Lee:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Government recognises the waters and islands affected by the proposed western island project as having significance to the maritime cultural heritage of the Orang Laut; and (b) what steps will be taken to document and preserve this heritage.

- *76. Mr Pritam Singh:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry would release to opposition Members of Parliament the details of students in their respective constituencies who are sitting for major examinations, such as the Primary School Leaving Examination, to facilitate outreach by opposition grassroots organisations to provide support to these students.
- *77. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Education regarding Primary 1 registration for children whose parents are separated, undergoing divorce proceedings or divorced (a) what verification processes are in place to ensure that a parent who submits an application has obtained the other parent's consent; and (b) what recourse is available for parents whose consent was not sought, other than seeking a court order.
- *78. Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Education for children applying to Special Education schools for Primary 1 in each of the past three years (a) how many could not start on time due to insufficient places; (b) what support is provided while they await placement; and (c) whether the Ministry assesses the impact of delayed commencement on the children and their families.
- *79. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) (a) how many warning letters the Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore has issued for unilateral anti-competitive invitations or attempts to initiate price coordination in the past five years; (b) whether the Government assesses that warning letters may not be an adequate deterrent against such conduct; and (c) whether the Government will consider further measures, including legislative changes.
- *80. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) (a) whether the National Space Agency of Singapore has projected the number of jobs expected to be created in Singapore's space capability ecosystem over the next five years; (b) whether it has identified manpower requirements or talent gaps in the sector; and (c) how these will be addressed.
- *81. Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether personnel under the Scheme for Relief Educators receive additional remuneration where assigned duties require work beyond 5.5 hours in a day; (b) how schools account for time spent on lesson preparation and marking; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider reviewing the remuneration framework to ensure assigned work is contained within paid hours.
- *82. Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) (a) how many companies have benefited from the Energy Efficiency Grant (EEG); (b) of those, how many are SMEs; (c) how much EEG has been disbursed since its inception; and (d) whether the Ministry can allow solar panels to be included in the list of supported equipment under EEG.
- *83. Ms Lee Hui Ying:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) in relation to the ongoing studies on advanced nuclear energy technologies and their potential suitability for Singapore (a) what are the expected timelines of the studies; and (b) whether there are plans for public consultation before deciding on the suitability of nuclear energy deployment in Singapore.
- *84. Assoc Prof Kenneth Goh:** To ask the Minister for Education in light of the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) 2025 finding that 10.7 per cent of Singapore's socio-economically disadvantaged students reached the top national quarter in science performance (a) whether the Ministry tracks the representation of students from lower socio-economic status among Singapore's highest-performing students over time; and (b) if so, what trends it has observed.

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- *85. Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry has assessed (i) the cumulative impact of the new security deposit guarantee on student care operators managing multiple centres, including its effect on banking facilities and working capital (ii) whether financial institutions may require smaller operators to provide cash collateral and (iii) the cliff effect arising from the tiered multipliers when enrolment crosses each 50-student threshold.
- *86. Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what thresholds in fuel and electricity prices will trigger a third package of support measures for households and small businesses; and (b) whether these thresholds will be published in advance.
- *87. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance regarding the Companies Act 1967 (a) how many persons were disqualified or debarred as directors annually since 2021, by provision; (b) how many section 149 reports of unfit conduct were made to the Minister; and (c) whether section 155A, which disqualifies directors of three dormant companies struck off the register, will be extended to directors of companies that have gone into insolvent liquidation.
- *88. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for Transport regarding the developments along the North-South Corridor (a) what measures are in place to monitor the structural integrity of the Corridor, nearby ground and infrastructure given the scale of construction works; and (b) how frequently are these monitoring reviews conducted.
- *89. Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) why the Government takes the position that Singapore does not have legally protected marine areas for the purposes of Sustainable Development Goal Indicator 14.5.1, despite the legal protections afforded to certain marine parks under existing legislation; (b) whether the Government will introduce new legislation to plug gaps in the legal protections; and (c) if not, why not.
- *90. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will consider reviewing and increasing the claims limits at the Employment Claims Tribunal for cases that are not related to the Workplace Fairness Act 2025.
- *91. Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower in light of recent labour market reports that indicate an increase in number of retrenchments and an increase in the long-term unemployment rate (a) how have the age and qualifications profile of these groups changed over the past five years; and (b) what are the considerations behind lower employment support for those under the age of 40.
- *92. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what policy specifies the primary scope of work for Special Educational Needs (SEN) Officers in mainstream schools; (b) what mechanism exists for SEN Officers to formally raise concerns about their scope of duties; and (c) whether officers designated to supervise SEN Officers are required to hold SEN-specific qualifications or training.
- *93. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) how the National Council of Social Service monitors uptake of the Beyond the Label Media Guide among newsrooms since its 2021 launch; (b) whether any assessment has been made of its impact on reducing stigmatising reporting; (c) how the public can flag any non-compliance; and (d) whether there are plans to update the Guide given developments since 2021 such as AI-generated content.

- *94. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Acting Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs (a) whether any further financial safeguards and system access controls have been implemented in madrasahs since the governance measures announced in 2023; (b) if so, what are these; and (c) whether controls over royalty payments and fund transfers between madrasahs and linked entities have since been strengthened.
- *95. Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether the Government will take any regulatory action against Vanguard Healthcare in the case of an 85-year-old woman who allegedly did not receive help after pressing the emergency call button in her community care apartment; and (b) what actions will the Government take to ensure that community care apartment residents receive the services that they have subscribed for.
- *96. Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) whether, following Singapore's UNESCO inscription of hawker culture, the Government tracks traditional hawker trades or culinary practices at risk of disappearing due to ageing practitioners, lack of successors or commercial viability; and (b) whether a formal mechanism should be established to identify such practices and support their transmission to the next generation.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. Digital Infrastructure Bill [Bill No. 20/2026] – (Minister for Digital Development and Information) – Second Reading.

Resumption of Debate on Question (6 October 2026)

“That the Bill be now read a second time.”. – (Minister for Digital Development and Information).

2. Land Transport and Related Matters (No. 2) Bill [Bill No. 21/2026] – (Minister for Transport) – Second Reading.

[For amendments on the Bill, see Supplement No. 11 dated 7 October 2026.]

MEMORANDUM

Matter proposed to be raised on the Motion for the Adjournment (SO 2(8)(b)).

Ms Diana Pang Li Yen (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)	:	Putting Children First: Early Action Against Parental Alienation and Gatekeeping.
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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance given MAS' finding that one percent of borrowers, mainly lower income, middle-aged HDB residents, could face negative cash flow with savings below six months of the stress-tested income shortfall (a) how many households does this represent; and (b) how will MAS work with banks and agencies to identify them early and provide loan restructuring, employment and temporary financial support before arrears arise.
2. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether there has been any delay to the award of the next batch of Equity Market Development Programme (EQDP) managers, which was expected to be appointed around mid-2026; (b) if so, why; and (c) whether the terms of the award and performance indicators are set to be consistent across all EQDP managers.
3. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) how the Public Service Division (PSD) currently monitors property purchases by civil servants and their immediate relatives; (b) whether PSD intends to strengthen controls over property purchases by civil servants involved in strategic planning and land use decisions; and (c) whether PSD will investigate property purchases by civil servants around other types of infrastructure such as new schools.
4. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether Temasek Holdings was issued terms of reference on incorporation in 1974, and whether they will be (i) published and (ii) deposited with the National Archives; (b) how the Government as sole shareholder approves Charter revisions; and (c) when and by whose decision the 2002 Charter's role of nurturing new industry clusters in Singapore ended, and why it was removed in 2009.
5. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs whether SCDF will consider using trends in residential fire incidents to identify estates or household groups requiring more targeted fire-prevention efforts and to work with relevant agencies and community partners to provide such interventions.
6. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in each of the past three years, how many accidents involving foreign-registered motorcycles resulted in fatalities or injuries.
7. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what measurable outcomes will be used to assess the effectiveness of the next phase of the SGSecure movement in improving Singaporeans' vigilance and preparedness against terrorism; and (b) whether targets will be set for the proportion of residents who are able to identify and report signs of possible radicalisation or suspicious activity.
8. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether the Police track the extent to which scam networks that were disrupted through the removal of social media accounts, pages or advertisements subsequently reappear through newly created accounts; and (b) whether recurrence rates are used to assess the effectiveness of platform disruption measures.

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9. **Mr Alex Yeo:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs arising out of the SPF report on 22 September 2026 of their collaboration with Meta against scam-linked entities, pages and accounts on Facebook and Instagram (a) whether the SPF or Meta received any appeals against the removals of these entities, accounts or pages; and (b) if so, how many appeals were received and how many entities, accounts or pages were restored.
10. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs whether, following proactive intervention with suspected scam victims, the Police track what proportion of these persons (i) cease money transfers upon intervention (ii) subsequently resume transfers to the same suspected scam network and (iii) become victims of another scam within 12 months.
11. **Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs regarding the framework assessing the suitability of foreign language interpreters engaged ad hoc by the Police (a) what qualifications and language assessments are required under the framework; (b) whether such interpreters receive training on statement recording under the Criminal Procedure Code; and (c) how many were engaged in the past five years with a breakdown by language.
12. **Ms Diana Pang Li Yen:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether the Police instructed the Law Society to withhold its Audit Committee Report from members, and if so, under what legal provision; (b) whether this instruction is binding on the Law Society; and (c) whether Law Society members are entitled as of right to receive the said report.
13. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Senior Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether Singapore discussed with Israeli officials on addressing illegal settlements and settler violence in the West Bank during a recent meeting, and if not, why not; and (b) whether Singapore requested that the meeting be secret, and (i) if so, why and (ii) if not, why a correction order under the Protection from Online Falsehoods and Manipulation Act was not issued against Haaretz's reporting.
14. **Mr Alex Yeo:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry has data on how many children or youths have sought medical attention relating to caffeine consumption over the past two years; (b) whether the Ministry will consider studying and publishing the effects of the caffeine consumption by children and youths, including recommended guidelines; and (c) whether popular high-caffeine energy drinks should be labelled with suitable warnings of such effects.
15. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health in light of recent findings on possible caffeine overconsumption among youths, whether the Ministry will consider requiring beverages exceeding a specified caffeine threshold to (i) display their caffeine content in milligrams per serving and (ii) carry a standardised front-of-pack caffeine advisory, particularly on recommended caffeine intake for children and adolescents.

16. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) when does the Ministry expect to complete its study on the feasibility of a national paediatric heart transplant programme; (b) what patient-volume, clinical-capability and sustainability criteria will guide the decision; and (c) whether regional collaboration is being considered to improve programme viability.
17. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health regarding oncologist assignments for rare cancers at public cancer institutions (a) what is the process for the assignment of patients to oncologists; and (b) whether patients with a specific rare cancer diagnosis are assigned to oncologists with the highest recorded case volume or declared sub-specialty interest in that cancer.
18. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how close is Sengkang Polyclinic to its physical and manpower capacity; (b) whether capacity constraints affect residents' ability to obtain same-day consultations; and (c) whether the Ministry plans to increase the polyclinic's capacity in the near future.
19. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health what more can be done to provide early intervention for seniors at-risk of social isolation, who are neither regularly engaged by an Active Ageing Centre nor receiving formal community care services, when their health or mobility deteriorates.
20. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what is the trend in lung cancer incidence among never smokers in Singapore over the past 10 years; (b) whether the Ministry has assessed the contribution of long-term PM2.5 exposure, including from transboundary haze, to such incidence; and (c) whether the Singapore Cancer Registry will collect environmental exposure data such as residential air quality to support such assessment.
21. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what are the annual take-up rates of inland ash scattering and sea scattering over the past three years, including their respective shares of total cremation cases; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider strengthening public education and engagement with the Ministry of Health and relevant agencies to improve understanding and acceptance of these options.
22. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how does the Government define and measure "affordable food" in fulfilling the mission of hawker centres to provide affordable food options; and (b) what is the extent that affordability should be assessed with reference to (i) prices of representative basic meals (ii) household income, particularly of lower-income households and seniors and (iii) the reasonable proximity and availability of such meals.
23. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development regarding the use of data analytics and data sharing in the Sensemaking Alerts for Frontline Engagement and Response (SAFER) unit (a) what strict access controls govern the sharing of highly-sensitive client records between public agencies and non-government Social Service Agencies; and (b) how does the Ministry ensure AI risk algorithms avoid unfair profiling or privacy infringements against vulnerable families.
24. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) whether the Government tracks the proportion and reasons for unanswered outbound calls from Government agencies, including whether concerns about scams are a factor; and (b) what measures can be taken to improve the reachability of residents requiring assistance and to enable them to confidently identify and respond to legitimate Government communications.

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25. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information following the removal of many public officers' contact details from the Singapore Government Directory, how can the public (i) verify the identity of an officer who contacts them when authenticity is in doubt; and (ii) obtain the contact details of a specific officer for legitimate business or follow-up with the Government, where necessary.
26. **Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information in respect of the more than 500 reports received by the Online Safety Commission since its commencement on 29 June 2026 (a) how many were assessed to be ineligible for action; and (b) what were the reasons for such assessments.
27. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) what metrics will be used to evaluate the ReadSG Challenge's effectiveness in cultivating long-term reading habits; (b) whether the metrics distinguish book reading from other logged content; and (c) whether reading behaviour will be tracked after participants stop receiving rewards.
28. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education for each of the past five cohorts, whether the Ministry has data on the proportion of applicants admitted to the autonomous universities, broken down by whether the applicant held (i) a polytechnic diploma (ii) A-Level qualifications obtained through a junior college or (iii) A-Level qualifications obtained as a private candidate.
29. **Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for Education in respect of the Lifelong Learning Endowment Fund Annual Report for the financial year ended 31 March 2026 (a) what specific programmes and programme managers accounted for the disbursements under the "Placements" category in FY2025; and (b) what accounts for the decrease from \$145.3 million in FY2024 to \$5.9 million in FY2025.
30. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry intends to develop measures to assess students' ability to perform key learning tasks without AI assistance, particularly in writing, research, and problem solving.
31. **Dr Neo Kok Beng:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the status of the School Board Matching Programme, including the current number of corporate executives and family office leaders successfully matched to neighbourhood School Advisory Committees; and (b) what are the key feedback and outcomes from the initial pilot schools, particularly regarding the expansion of industry networks and career development opportunities for students.
32. **Dr Neo Kok Beng:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) in the past 12 months, how many students from primary schools, secondary schools, and Institutes of Higher Learning have been referred to the Health Sciences Authority for e-vaporiser possession or use; and (b) whether vaping is still a major issue for schools to manage.
33. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how many children with special educational needs attending mainstream schools have been unable to secure or retain places in school-based Student Care Centres (SCCs); and (b) what referral pathways and school coordination exist where an SCC cannot meet a child's special educational needs.

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34. **Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Minister for Law for each year from 2021 to 2025, whether the Ministry can provide data on (i) how many court hearings required freelance interpreters, broken down by language (ii) how many complaints or objections concerning interpretation accuracy by such interpreters were raised by parties or the court and (iii) how many resulted in re-interpretation, adjournment or a change of interpreter.
35. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) (a) whether the Government tracks the prices of comparable common cooked meals across (i) NEA-managed hawker centres (ii) Socially-conscious Enterprise Hawker Centres (iii) HDB rental coffeeshops (iv) privately owned HDB coffeeshops and (v) private food courts; and (b) if so, what are the median prices and price differences across these categories over the past five years.
36. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) following the rebasing of the Food and Beverage Sales Index in 2026, which led to a significant increase in monthly reported estimated food and beverage (F&B) sales from \$1 billion in July 2025 to \$1.6 billion in July 2026 (a) how does this change the Government's view of F&B's contribution to the economy; and (b) what are the policy implications given the industry's great heft.
37. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) (a) whether the Government has modelled the additional electricity and water demand arising from AI computing and data centre growth over the next five to 10 years; and (b) how will such demands be balanced against Singapore's energy security, water security, emissions objectives.
38. **Ms Lee Hui Ying:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) regarding the study on the viability of nuclear energy (a) whether the Government currently has projections on the cost savings that Singapore and Singaporeans can expect as part of its assessment on the economic viability of nuclear energy; and (b) if so, what are they.
39. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Minister for Energy, Trade and Industry (Energy and Industry) whether the Government tracks how sustained increases in essential household expenses affect consumption patterns among lower- and middle-income households, including whether households reduce expenditure on healthcare, insurance, enrichment or other longer-term needs to meet immediate living expenses.
40. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether NParks has assessed (a) the key drivers of local consumer demand for illegally traded wildlife, particularly exotic pets; and (b) the effectiveness of existing public education efforts in reducing such demand and raising awareness of the biodiversity, biosecurity and animal-welfare consequences.
41. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for National Development regarding the illegal trade and possession of live wildlife, for each of the past five years (a) how many cases and animals were detected; (b) how many cases arose from proactive enforcement or surveillance as compared with public reports; and (c) how many were detected at Singapore's borders.
42. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Minister for National Development in view of the findings in 2024 that Boon Keng disproportionately suffers from urban heat, whether the HDB could consider building a park that could act as a green lung on the vacant plot of land bounded by Towner Road, McNair Road, and Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital, which is currently zoned for public housing.

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43. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether the Ministry will consider pausing HDB construction works in the vicinity of schools during national examination days, particularly listening and oral examinations, similar to how the Ministry of Defence pauses RSAF exercises during those periods.
44. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether and when NParks will evaluate the fruit quality of durian trees surviving on Pulau Ubin, nature parks and military training areas; (b) whether superior trees will be conserved by grafting, given that durian seeds are unbankable; and (c) whether any selection will be registered under the Plant Varieties Protection Act 2004.
45. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) in each of the past five years, how many residential units identified by HDB as having hoarding issues declined offers of assistance or refused entry to HDB officers; and (b) whether HDB will review its engagement protocols where households repeatedly refuse intervention and fire-safety risks are present.
46. **Mr Alex Yeo:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) over the past two years, how many appeals have there been to waive Ethnic Integration Policy (EIP) limits for owners who have fulfilled the Minimum Occupation Period (MOP) but owned the flat for less than 10 years; (b) how many of these appeals were successful; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider revising the criteria of 10-year ownership for the buyback assistance for families with extenuating circumstances.
47. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry has assessed the potential impact of nearby developments, including the construction of the North-South Corridor, on the tomb of pioneer Seah Eu Chin at Toa Payoh; and (b) what specific measures are being taken to ensure the long-term protection and preservation of the historical burial site.
48. **Ms Diana Pang Li Yen:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether environmental studies for the proposed western island will (i) assess alternatives involving no reclamation or substantially smaller reclamation footprints (ii) identify ecological findings that would warrant abandoning or reducing reclamation and (iii) undergo independent scientific review and public consultation while these alternatives remain open.
49. **Ms Diana Pang Li Yen:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether sand tender contracts for public reclamation projects permit (i) independent checks to verify the legality and extraction locations of imported reclamation sand and (ii) the contractual right to suspend purchases where credible evidence of unlawful extraction or serious environmental harm emerges.
50. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether inadequate telecommunications coverage in some private estates, particularly condominiums, is limiting the deployment or reliable operation of EV chargers; and (b) how is the Ministry working with relevant Government agencies and telecommunications operators to identify and address such connectivity gaps as Singapore scales up the EV charging infrastructure.
51. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether LTA and the train operators have received recent feedback on high noise levels inside Thomson-East Coast Line train cabins along specific stretches while trains are moving; (b) what noise measurements have been recorded for these stretches relative to the 85dB threshold; and (c) what further measures are being taken to reduce such noise.

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52. **Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether LTA tracks accidents involving fixed-gear bicycles, including the age profiles of these riders; (b) whether there has been an increase in the use of such bicycles among youths; and (c) whether the current requirement for at least one functioning handbrake remains adequate for fixed-gear bicycles or having additional safety requirements should be considered.
53. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) what are the average peak-hour journey times and schedule adherence of bus services plying Jurong East Avenue 1 and Jurong West Avenue 1; and (b) what alternative bus priority approaches LTA is exploring following the Smart Bus Priority System trial along this corridor.
54. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Transport with respect to the published figures on average loading of trips for City Direct Services 654, 671, 677 and 682 (a) how is loading measured; (b) what bus capacity is used as the denominator for each bus service; and (c) what capacity is adopted for (i) single-decker (ii) double-decker and (iii) articulated buses, respectively.
55. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Minister for Transport given the new bus commuter conduct rules (a) how will enforcement and safeguards operate for authorised staff and vulnerable commuters; (b) whether technology including Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) will be utilised; and (c) what metrics will the LTA use to assess improvements in commuter behaviour and bus environment.
56. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Transport regarding LTA's "First to Board, First to Use" wheelchair bay trial (a) whether it will be assessed against obligations under the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; (b) what parameters will govern whether to restore wheelchair users' priority or explore bus redesigns with separate convertible spaces as proposed by disability groups; and (c) by when a decision will be made.
57. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether LTA has studied what proportion of Sembawang residents' longer commute times is attributable to first-mile travel, including waiting and transfer times to reach an MRT station; and (b) whether there are parts of Sembawang and Canberra where this component is significantly longer than in comparable residential towns.
58. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) whether the People's Association (PA) tracks participation by long-term non-residents in its Community Volunteer scheme; (b) what opportunities exist for those who volunteer regularly to take on greater responsibilities; and (c) whether PA will consider more structured pathways for sustained non-resident volunteers while retaining existing eligibility requirements for formal grassroots leadership.
59. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth in respect of the recent disclosure of SG Youth Forum participants' personal data by the National Youth Council (a) how did the incident occur; (b) how many individuals were affected; (c) when were they notified; and (d) what measures are being taken to prevent recurrence across the Ministry's agencies.
60. **Ms Lee Hui Ying:** To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth since the inclusion of "advertising any bookings or inciting others to on-sell over social platforms" as a violation of ActiveSG's Terms of Use (a) how many reports of alleged ActiveSG bookings through social media platforms have been received since 15 July 2026; (b) how many resulted in suspension; and (c) what are the appeal channels available.

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61. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower (a) of the workplace harassment complaints received by the Tripartite Alliance for Fair and Progressive Employment Practices (TAFEP) in 2025, what proportion of employers did not carry out an independent investigation into the complaints; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider amending the relevant legislation to empower TAFEP to compel or audit such investigations.
62. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower (a) what measures can the Ministry take to encourage employers to provide employees with dedicated time off for preventive health screenings, separate from medical leave, particularly for working adults who may defer screenings due to work commitments; and (b) whether incentives or workplace health guidelines can be considered to encourage wider adoption of preventive health screenings.
63. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower given that the Ministry has recently highlighted that unemployment indicators among older resident workers aged 50 and above warranted closer monitoring, what further measures the Ministry is considering to support this group of workers.
64. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower (a) in the last three years, what proportion of retrenched professionals, managers, executives and technicians (PMETs) are re-employed into a different industry; (b) what proportion experience lower wages upon re-employment; (c) how these outcomes differ by previous industry and last-drawn salary band; and (d) whether the Jobseeker Support Scheme can be enhanced to support more PMETs.
65. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower (a) what is the Ministry's assessment of the Job Seeker Support Scheme (JSS) that has been implemented since April 2025; and (b) has the Ministry observed differences in the job placement outcomes between jobseekers receiving JSS payouts and those that do not, including the time taken to find employment.
66. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower (a) how many Singaporeans have redeemed the complimentary six-month subscription to premium artificial intelligence (AI) tools since the scheme was launched; (b) what targets has the Ministry set for overall subscription take-up; (c) how do current redemption figures compare against these targets; and (d) what is the breakdown of the main AI tools subscribed to by beneficiaries.
67. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower (a) in the past year, how many fatal or major workplace injuries involved companies without bizSAFE certification, compared with companies at each bizSAFE level; and (b) whether the ongoing review of the bizSAFE programme will consider these safety outcomes and measures to encourage more companies to attain bizSAFE certification.
68. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Acting Minister for Manpower given that only four occupational disease cases involving platform workers were reported in the first half of 2026 (a) whether the Ministry has assessed if this reflects the actual prevalence of work-related health conditions among platform workers; (b) what barriers exist to their detection and reporting; and (c) whether measures will be introduced to improve occupational health surveillance.
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