FIFTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE (FIRST SESSION)

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS FRIDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 2025

No. 6 **11.30 am**

PRESENT:

Mr SPEAKER [Mr Seah Kian Peng (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)]

Mr ABDUL MUHAIMIN ABDUL MALIK (Sengkang)

Mr ANG WEI NENG (West Coast-Jurong West)

Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and

Youth and Ministry of Transport

Mr CAI YINZHOU (Bishan-Toa Payoh)

Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Coordinating Minister for Public Services and

Minister for Defence

Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for National Development

Dr CHARLENE CHEN (Tampines)

Ms ELYSA CHEN (Bishan-Toa Payoh)

Mr EDWARD CHIA BING HUI (Holland-Bukit Timah)

Ms EILEEN CHONG PEI SHAN (Non-Constituency Member)

Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines Changkat), Minister of State, Ministry of Defence

Dr CHOO PEI LING (Chua Chu Kang)

Mr ERIC CHUA (Queenstown), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Law and

Ministry of Social and Family Development

Mr CHUA KHENG WEE LOUIS (Sengkang)

Mr DARRYL DAVID (Ang Mo Kio)

Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah), Deputy Speaker

Mr DINESH VASU DASH (East Coast), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community

and Youth and Ministry of Manpower

Mr FADLI FAWZI (Aljunied)

Mr FOO CEXIANG (Tanjong Pagar)

Mr GAN KIM YONG (Punggol), Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry

Ms GAN SIOW HUANG (Marymount), Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and

Ministry of Trade and Industry

Ms GHO SZE KEE (Mountbatten)

Mr GERALD GIAM YEAN SONG (Aljunied)

Ms GOH HANYAN (Nee Soon), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture,

Community and Youth and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment

Mr GOH PEI MING (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights), Minister of State, Ministry of Home

Affairs and Ministry of Social and Family Development

Dr HAMID RAZAK (West Coast-Jurong West)

Ms HAZLINA ABDUL HALIM (East Coast)

Ms HE TING RU (Sengkang)

Mr DAVID HOE (Jurong East-Bukit Batok)

Mr SHAWN HUANG WEI ZHONG (West Coast-Jurong West), Senior Parliamentary

Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Manpower

Ms INDRANEE RAJAH (Pasir Ris-Changi), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second

Minister for Finance, Second Minister for National Development and Leader of the House

Dr JANIL PUTHUCHEARY (Punggol), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Education and

Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment and Government Whip

Dr KOH POH KOON (Tampines), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Manpower

Mr KWEK HIAN CHUAN HENRY (Kebun Baru)

Mr GABRIEL LAM (Sembawang)

Mr JACKSON LAM (Nee Soon)

Ms JASMIN LAU (Ang Mo Kio), Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Education

Ms CASSANDRA LEE (West Coast-Jurong West)

Mr DESMOND LEE (West Coast-Jurong West), Minister for Education and Minister-incharge of Social Services Integration

Mr LEE HONG CHUANG (Jurong East-Bukit Batok)

Mr LEE HSIEN LOONG (Ang Mo Kio), Senior Minister

Ms LEE HUI YING (Nee Soon)

Ms VALERIE LEE (Pasir Ris-Changi)

Mr LIANG ENG HWA (Bukit Panjang)

Ms SYLVIA LIM (Aljunied)

Mr SHAWN LOH (Jalan Besar)

Mr LOW WU YANG ANDRE (Non-Constituency Member)

Ms LOW YEN LING (Bukit Gombak), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Culture,

Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry

Mr VICTOR LYE (Ang Mo Kio)

Ms MARIAM JAAFAR (Sembawang)

Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Minister for Social and Family Development Assoc Prof Dr MUHAMMAD FAISHAL IBRAHIM (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights),

Acting Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs

Mr MURALI PILLAI (Jurong East-Bukit Batok), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law and Ministry of Transport

Ms NADIA AHMAD SAMDIN (Ang Mo Kio)

Mr DAVID NEO (Tampines), Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Education

Mr NG CHEE MENG (Jalan Kayu)

Mr NG SHI XUAN (Sembawang)

Miss RACHEL ONG (Tanjong Pagar)

Ms DIANA PANG LI YEN (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)

Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar)

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Jalan Besar)

Ms POH LI SAN (Sembawang West)

Mr PRITAM SINGH (Aljunied), Leader of the Opposition

Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong East-Bukit Batok), Minister of State, Ministry of Digital

Development and Information and Ministry of Health

Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh)

Mr K SHANMUGAM (Nee Soon), Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs

Mr SHARAEL TAHA (Pasir Ris-Changi)

Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Home Affairs and Deputy Government Whip

Ms HANY SOH (Marsiling-Yew Tee)

Ms SUN XUELING (Punggol), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of National Development and Ministry of Transport

Dr SYED HARUN ALHABSYI (Nee Soon)

Mr ALVIN TAN (Tanjong Pagar), Minister of State, Ministry of National Development and Ministry of Trade and Industry

Mr DENNIS TAN LIP FONG (Hougang)

Mr DESMOND TAN (Pasir Ris-Changi), Senior Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office

Mr TAN KIAT HOW (East Coast), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Health

Dr TAN SEE LENG (Chua Chu Kang), Minister for Manpower

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast)

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Pioneer)

Ms TIN PEI LING (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)

Mr KENNETH TIONG BOON KIAT (Aljunied)

Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (East Coast), Minister for Law and Second Minister for Home Affairs

Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang)

Dr WAN RIZAL (Jalan Besar)

Mr LAWRENCE WONG (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Prime Minister and Minister for Finance

Mr XIE YAO QUAN (Jurong Central), Deputy Speaker

Mr ALEX YAM ZIMING (Marsiling-Yew Tee)

Mr ALEX YEO (Potong Pasir)

Ms YEO WAN LING (Punggol)

Mr YIP HON WENG (Yio Chu Kang)

Mr MELVIN YONG YIK CHYE (Radin Mas)

Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment and Deputy Leader of the House

Mr ZHULKARNAIN ABDUL RAHIM (Chua Chu Kang)

ABSENT:

Ms GRACE FU HAI YIEN (Jurong East-Bukit Batok), Minister for Sustainability and the Environment and Minister-in-charge of Trade Relations

Assoc Prof JAMUS JEROME LIM (Sengkang)

Mr ONG YE KUNG (Sembawang), Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health

Mr JEFFREY SIOW (Chua Chu Kang), Acting Minister for Transport and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Finance

Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Jalan Besar), Minister for Digital Development and Information Dr VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Minister for Foreign Affairs

- Papers presented to Parliament and received by the Clerk of Parliament pursuant to Standing Order No. 31 (Presentation of Papers) and ordered to lie upon the Table:
 - 1.1 Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements 2024/25 Presented on 26 September 2025 (S. 73 of 2025)
 - 1.2 Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR) Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements 2024/2025 Presented on 26 September 2025 (S. 74 of 2025)
 - 1.3 Sentosa Development Corporation's Annual Report FY2024 and Audited Financial Statements FY2024 Presented on 26 September 2025 (S. 76 of 2025)
 - 1.4 Land Transport Authority Annual Report FY2024/2025 Presented on 26 September 2025 (S. 77 of 2025)
 - 1.5 Land Transport Authority of Singapore and its Subsidiaries Financial Statements FY2024/2025 Presented on 26 September 2025 (S. 78 of 2025)
 - 1.6 Civil Service College Annual Report and Financial Statements 2024/2025 Presented on 26 September 2025 (S. 79 of 2025)
 - 1.7 Gambling Regulatory Authority (GRA) Annual Report 2024/2025 Presented on 26 September 2025 (S. 80 of 2025)
 - 1.8 Annual Report and Financial Statements of Yellow Ribbon Singapore for 2024/2025
 Presented on 26 September 2025 (S. 81 of 2025)
 - 1.9 National Arts Council Annual Report FY 2024/2025 Presented on 26 September 2025 (S. 82 of 2025)

2 Announcement by Speaker – Mr Speaker made the following communication to the House:-

"I wish to inform honourable Members that, pursuant to paragraphs (2) and (3) of Standing Order 100, I have appointed Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo to be the Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee and Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan to be the Chairman of the Estimates Committee for this Parliament."

- 3 15 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- Transport Sector (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill "to amend certain Acts relating to land transport and sea transport, and to make a related amendment to the Public Utilities Act 2001" presented by the Senior Minister of State; (Mr Murali Pillai), on behalf of the Acting Minister for Transport, read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 12/2025].
- President's Speech (Address of Thanks) (Mr Sharael Taha) (5th Allotted day) Question again proposed on resumption of Debate (22 September 2025), "That the following Address in reply to the speech of the President be agreed to:

'We, the Parliament of the Republic of Singapore, express our thanks to the President for the speech which he delivered on behalf of the Government at the Opening of the First Session of this Parliament.'." – Debate arising.

- Time Limit for Speeches (Leader of the House) (with the consent of Mr Speaker and the general assent of Members present) Motion made, and Question put Resolved, "That the proceedings on the item under discussion be exempted from the provisions of Standing Order No. 48(8) to remove the time limit in respect of Minister Chan Chun Sing's speech."
- President's Speech (Address of Thanks) Debate resumed on Question, "That the following Address in reply to the speech of the President be agreed to:

'We, the Parliament of the Republic of Singapore, express our thanks to the President for the speech which he delivered on behalf of the Government at the Opening of the First Session of this Parliament.'."

Question put and agreed to.

8 Committee of Selection – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That this Parliament, in accordance with Standing Order 100(1), appoints the following Members of Parliament as Members of the Committee of Selection:

Ms Gan Siow Huang
Ms Indranee Rajah
Mr Kwek Hian Chuan Henry
Mr Masagos Zulkifli
Mr Ng Chee Meng
Mr Ong Ye Kung

9 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Resolved, "That Parliament do stand adjourned to a date to be fixed."

Adjourned at 6.04 pm

SEAH KIAN PENG, Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Parliament stands adjourned to a date to be fixed.