



Mr Desmond Tan Kok Ming

Desmond is the Minister of State for Home Affairs and Sustainability and the Environment. He is the Member of Parliament for Pasir Ris-Punggol Group Representation Constituency (Pasir Ris Central) since July 2020.

Prior to joining politics, Desmond spent over thirty years in the public service. He was the Chief Executive Director (CED) of the People's Association (PA) where he led the community support effort during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Desmond spent 28 years in the military and held various key appointments in the Ministry of Defence (MINDEF) and the Singapore Armed Forces. These included Chief of Staff (General Staff), Director of Joint Operations, Chief Guards Officer and Director Public Affairs. As Chief Guards Officer, Mr Tan was the Chairman of the Singapore National Day Parade 2012 Executive Committee. Desmond also participated in the International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan as Singapore's first National Contingent Commander, and was awarded the SAF Overseas Medal (Enhanced) and the NATO (ISAF) Medal.

Desmond graduated from the University of Manchester, U.K. with a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Aeronautical Engineering and holds a Masters in Business Administration from the Nanyang Business School. He enjoys sports, and loves spending time with his family. He is married with 3 children.