

# THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

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## FIRST SESSION

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### ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY, 1 MARCH 2017

No. 36

12 noon

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#### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER\*

- \*1. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Defence (a) whether the Ministry has determined (i) how the used SAF uniforms came into the possession of the smugglers who were caught unloading them near Batam in November 2016 and (ii) the motive for smuggling the uniforms to Batam; and (b) how does the Ministry intend to prevent such incidents from happening again.
- \*2. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry will implement a ban on the domestic trade in ivory; (b) if so, what is the time frame for implementing the ban; and (c) if not, what factors does the Ministry take into account in not banning the domestic trade.
- \*3. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources whether the Ministry will consider conducting a study to quantify the savings in healthcare costs that can be obtained from various possible levels of incremental improvements in air quality in the short, mid and long term.
- \*4. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Prime Minister (a) whether the current purchase limits of Singapore Savings Bonds can be raised; and (b) whether Singaporeans can be allowed to use monies in their Supplementary Retirement Scheme Account to purchase the Singapore Savings Bond.
- \*5. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information what criteria are used to determine the selection of falsehoods corrected on the Gov Factually website.

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- \*6. **Ms K Thanaletchimi:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what kind of financial and emotional support is given to single fathers who are from low and middle income families, some of whom also care for elderly family members; (b) how can the Ministry better engage the community and single-parent families so that the support can also come from the community at large; and (c) how can pro-active assistance be given to such families instead of them resorting to borrowing money from moneylenders to make ends meet.
- \*7. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry will review the eligibility criteria for rental housing so that the income criterion is either a total household income or a per capita income; and (b) whether the per capita can be set at \$650, similar to the ComCare Short-to-Medium Term Assistance criterion.

\* Members may postpone their Questions to a later sitting day if their Questions are not reached by the end of Question Time. The postponement forms are available at the Chamber entrances. To ensure timely notice of such postponements, Members should submit their notices to the Clerk by 1.30 pm. Questions will be given a written answer if no such notices are received by the Clerk.

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### ORDER OF THE DAY

1. **BUDGET STATEMENT:** *Resumption of Debate on Question (20 February 2017) (2<sup>nd</sup> Allotted Day)*, "That Parliament approves the financial policy of the Government for the financial year 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018." – (Minister for Finance).
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