

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

SECOND SESSION

ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY, 6 MARCH 2019

No. 99

11.00 am

1

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

- *1. **Ms Anthea Ong:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) how we are doing with our target for 20% female representation in statutory boards and listed companies by 2020; (b) what steps are being taken to close the gender salary gap of about 20%; and (c) in view of the upcoming International Women's Day theme of #BalanceforBetter, what are existing imbalances in our gender equality pursuit that we must balance for a better Singapore.
- *2. **Ms Anthea Ong:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how many children from transnational families are currently receiving additional learning support or are enrolled in special education schools; and (b) whether language interpreters are engaged to support both the Singaporean and foreign spouse in their understanding of their child's additional learning needs.
- *3. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Health what assistance does the Ministry provide to Community Health Assist Scheme-registered clinics so that the doctors and clinic staff can better advise patients on their options.
- *4. **Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) what are the crime statistics for the top 10 scams in Singapore for the past five years; and (b) what are the current resources in the Singapore Police Force that are dedicated to (i) solving online and phone scams as compared to the past five years and (ii) detecting and preventing online and phone scams.
- *5. **Ms Anthea Ong:** To ask the Prime Minister (a) what is the current employment rate of the differently-abled, including persons-in-recovery from mental health conditions, in the public service; (b) what support structures are in place to ensure upgrading and retention of these employees; and (c) how can the public service as the largest employer change the mindset amongst employers to take advantage of the Open Door Programme and employment credits to support more employment of our differently-abled.
-

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. Estimates for the financial year 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020 (Paper Cmd. 19 of 2019) – Committee of Supply (Progress: 5 March 2019) (5th Allotted Day).

Resumption of Debate on Question (5 March 2019)

“That the total sum to be allocated for Head I of the Estimates be reduced by \$100.” – (Mr Seah Kian Peng).

[For amendments to be moved in the Committee of Supply, see Supplement No. 16 dated 28 February 2019.]

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Health how does the Ministry calculate norm costs, defined as the Ministry's observed average costs of running Long Term Care services, which tend to be considerably lower than what Voluntary Welfare Organisations (VWOs) claim are the real costs of service delivery, as reported in Lien Foundation's 2018 "Care Where You Are" report.
2. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth with reference to neighbours with behavioural or mental health problems that cause nuisance, inconvenience or pose hazards and dangers (a) what measures are in place to resolve the problems expeditiously; and (b) whether regulatory and enforcement powers need to be strengthened for the Community Mediation Centre and other related Government agencies, for the safety and well-being of residents.
3. **Ms Anthea Ong:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in 2017 and 2018 respectively (a) how many salary claims were filed by (i) local employees and (ii) foreign workers at the Employment Claims Tribunal; (b) how many court orders were issued to errant employers to settle salary claims by (i) local employees and (ii) foreign workers respectively; and (c) how many orders remained unpaid one month after the orders were issued.

-
-
4. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what is the current percentage of work injuries or occupational injury cases that are seen by private compared to restructured healthcare providers; and (b) what are the patterns (types of injuries, severity of injuries, sectors, occupations) seen by private compared to those seen by restructured healthcare providers.

 5. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in each of the past five years (a) how many employers have been prosecuted for failing to report a work-related injury; and (b) how many of these employers who failed to report a work-related injury have been punished with a fine and how many have been punished with imprisonment.

 6. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what are the most common methods used by employers to avoid reporting a work-related injury; and (b) what are the most common ways that instances of non-reporting of work-related injuries by employers are detected.
-