

FOURTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

FIRST SESSION

ORDER PAPER

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER*

- *1. **Mr Sitoh Yih Pin:** To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth as this year marks the 100th anniversary of Mr Lee Kuan Yew's birth, whether there are plans to observe the anniversary, and to reflect on his contributions and the values he had stood for.
- *2. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Health whether the Ministry is studying the preliminary safety concerns flagged by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention vaccine safety surveillance system on an alleged increased risk of stroke for people aged 65 and older who have received the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 bivalent vaccine.
- *3. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) what is the outlook for inflation and cost of living in 2023; (b) what are the key drivers; and (c) whether there is further scope to reduce imported inflation with a stronger Singapore dollar.
- *4. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether due diligence was done by NEA on carbon credits issued by Gold Standard and Verra before Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) were signed in 2022; (b) if so, what are the findings of the due diligence; (c) what is NEA's assessment of recent claims by researchers that most of Verra's rainforest offset credits are phantom credits; and (d) whether the MOUs with Verra will remain in force in light of the recent developments.
- *5. **Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs in view of the recent finding of wrongful arrest by the High Court, whether the Police will consider reviewing its operating procedures to minimise such occurrences in the future.

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- *6. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs in light of the recent court finding that an individual has been wrongly arrested by a Singapore Police Force (SPF) officer (a) whether a review of SPF's procedures in relation to a person suspected to have a mental disorder has commenced; and (b) whether the incident and the results of any such review will be publicly addressed to maintain confidence in the SPF's ability to deal with cases of suspected mental disorder.
- *7. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether he can provide an update on how the maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) sector of our aviation industry is currently coping with the present demands for their services arising from the increase in the past year of commercial flights in Changi Airport; and (b) whether the MRO sector will be ready to cope with the likely increase in flights in the coming months which may arise from the re-opening of China's borders.
- *8. **Dr Tan Wu Meng:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether current efforts to educate youths on the harm of drugs have considered (i) the opportunities and challenges arising from the increased availability of mobile devices (ii) the evolving media environment overseas and (iii) the risks of very young Singaporeans inadvertently coming across drug content; and (b) what is being done to keep up the educational efforts with the ongoing and emerging trends of content promoting drugs.
- *9. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether he can provide an update on how many Autonomous Vehicles (AV) have passed Milestone 1 and 2 tests respectively; and (b) whether AV development in Singapore is progressing as planned, particularly for autonomous public transport.
- *10. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry whether the Ministry provides guidelines or subsidies for entry pricing for major attractions for tourists relative to Singapore residents and, if so, whether steeper discounts for residents are possible.
- *11. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry will conduct a public consultation on a generational ban on smoking; and (b) whether the Ministry will set up a citizens' workgroup to study the possibility of imposing a generational ban on smoking.
- *12. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what measures will the Ministry propose to close the pay gap between ITE, polytechnic and university graduates over the course of their careers; and (b) how does the Ministry plan to engage with employers to address pay disparities among graduates in the workforce.

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- *13. Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Health whether the Ministry will implement mandatory installation of water coolers in areas of high footfall for drinking water to be readily available so as to promote better health.
- *14. Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in view of the potential conflicts and legal disputes that may arise between a Singapore Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) and an equivalent instrument executed in a foreign jurisdiction (a) whether the current legislation requires an LPA certificate issuer to enquire if a donor has previously executed a LPA or a similar instrument in a foreign jurisdiction; and (b) if not, whether such a requirement can be considered as part of the legislation.
- *15. Mr Leong Mun Wai:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) how much are the financial losses that EDBi and Temasek accrued respectively from the recent liquidation of Zilingo; (b) how many companies have received fundings from both EDBi and Temasek; and (c) what are the similarities and differences in the criteria that EDBi and Temasek use to assess the financial and corporate governance risks posed by startups they have invested in and the measures taken to mitigate these risks.
- *16. Mr Shawn Huang Wei Zhong:** To ask the Minister for Health whether there will be a review of the enforcement measures on vaping users and sellers of vaporisers and consumables.
- *17. Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry considers the outright ban on vaporisers since 1 February 2018 to be effective in combating the growing popularity of vaping and e-cigarettes; and (b) what are the causes for the continued rise in the vaping trend in Singapore over the last three years.
- *18. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the current trend of vaping among students in primary, secondary, pre-university institutions and Institutes of Higher Learning (IHLs); and (b) what measures have been put in place by schools and IHLs to address the issue of students vaping on school and IHL premises.
- *19. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether there is a shortage of manpower in the biotech sector currently; (b) if so, how will the shortage of manpower in the biotech sector be addressed over the next decade; and (c) what are the key areas or levels of seniority in which the shortage of manpower in the biotech sector is most acute.

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- *20. Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs in the past three years (a) how many incidents of assault involving migrant workers at dormitories have been reported to the Singapore Police Force; (b) of the number of incidents reported, how many have racial undertones; and (c) what proactive steps have been taken to reduce the risk of such incidents occurring.
- *21. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether HDB specifies any protocol for construction contractors, such as investigating the source of the problem or taking samples of the paint to audit quality, if there is premature degradation or deterioration of external facades in HDB blocks, prior to its first repair and redecoration cycle, beyond the activation of warranty for defects.
- *22. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry intends to incentivise CPF members who have high Ordinary Account (OA) savings and have no plan to use their OA savings for a housing purchase, to tap on alternative options for higher interest rates such as the CPF Investment Scheme; and (b) if so, how does the Ministry intend to promote these options and make them easier for CPF members to invest in.
- *23. Mr Leong Mun Wai:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what role does MOH Holdings Pte Ltd (MOHH) play in the healthcare system; (b) how does the Ministry account for grants, transfers and capital injections to and from MOHH; (c) why are the financial reports of MOHH not submitted to Parliament; and (d) what are the assets, revenues, costs and accumulated profits or losses of MOHH in the last five financial years.
- *24. Dr Tan Wu Meng:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) to date, how many healthcare workers (HCWs) experienced severe adverse reactions from COVID-19 vaccinations; (b) of these, how many required time away from work exceeding (i) 14 days and (ii) 30 days, respectively; (c) how many affected HCWs could not resume their previous work deployment; and (d) what support is provided to HCWs facing severe side effects of COVID-19 vaccinations received in the line of duty and employment.
- *25. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Popular Places Pass scheme for migrant workers resident in dormitories is still in place; and (b) if so, whether there are plans for the scheme to be wound down and what is the expected timeline for the scheme's cessation.
- *26. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) for the last three years, what is the average annual tax collected on tobacco product sales; and (b) whether this amount is able to cover the current average annual cost of treating smoking-related diseases.

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- *27. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry in respect of the ongoing administration of Sun Cable (a) whether Singapore is projected to suffer any financial impact; (b) how does this impact the Request for Quotation process under EMA; and (c) what is the assessed impact to our plans of maintaining our energy supply reliability.
- *28. Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information whether an external investigation on the fraud involving SPH Media Trust's circulation figures will be conducted and the report made public.
- *29. Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information whether the Ministry will share with the public SPH Media Trust's review of the overstated circulation data, including accounts provided by the executives involved in the case.
- *30. Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information whether the Ministry has been informed of the reasons for SPH Media Trust not breaking the news on the overstated circulation numbers of their own accord but through media queries.
- *31. Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for National Development apart from location and flat type, whether the monthly household income of families may also be factored into the setting of rental rates of HDB flats for families under the Parenthood Provisional Housing Scheme.
- *32. Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for National Development for young couples applying for HDB BTO flats, besides additional ballot chances or further increased grants or subsidies under the various qualifying schemes, whether HDB can consider amending the BTO balloting process into different stages or phases for each archetype of applicants according to priority, such as young couples, families with children and elderly to ensure a good mix of applicant types in each estate.
- *33. Mr Leong Mun Wai:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) in the past five years, how many and what proportion of theft cases in supermarkets have involved the theft of milk powder; (b) how many of these shoplifters have been caught; and (c) what are the reasons for their actions.
- *34. Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether she can provide an update on the progress that the public service has made in eliminating single-use items from their catering events; and (b) what is the timeline for completely eliminating single-use items from all public service catering events.

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- *35. Mr Don Wee:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether anti-mould paint is a standard feature for HDB flat exteriors especially for flats built near humidity sinks, such as rivers, forested areas, reservoirs and sea fronts; (b) what rectifications are available for flats that face premature growth of mould; and (c) whether the Ministry will revise the Singapore Standard SS345 on specification for algae resistant emulsion paint for decorative purposes.
- *36. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether HDB has considered specifying even higher-grade weather resistant finishes, beyond the existing SS345 algae-resistant paint and SS500 elastomeric wall coatings, to account for varying project conditions, for example for seafront or riverfront housing estates.
- *37. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the heightened safety period introduced in September 2022 is deemed to be an effective measure to improve workplace safety; (b) what are the considerations that will cause the Ministry to extend the heightened safety period beyond end-February 2023; and (c) what other measures will the Ministry take to improve the workplace safety situation in Singapore.
- *38. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry tracks the proportion of the workforce that are able to and are practising work-from-home arrangements; and (b) if so, what is the current proportion respectively.
- *39. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Prime Minister whether it is in the public interest to disclose the names of the six former management staff of Keppel Offshore and Marine Limited (KOM) who are given stern warnings for their roles in the giving of S\$73 million bribes to officials from the Brazilian state-owned corporation Petroleo Brasileiro SA, notwithstanding the practice of not disclosing the names of persons who have been given stern warnings.
- *40. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Prime Minister (a) how did the Corrupt Practices Investigation Bureau arrive at the decision to issue stern warnings to the six former management staff of Keppel Offshore and Marine Limited (KOM) given the size of the bribes given to officials from the Brazilian state-owned corporation Petroleo Brasileiro SA which amounted to S\$73 million and the size of the fine KOM paid which amounted to US\$422 million; and (b) whether a detailed account of the facts behind the bribes payment can be provided.

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- *41. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Prime Minister since the conclusion of the Deferred Prosecution Agreement between Keppel Offshore and Marine Limited and the United States Department of Justice in December 2017 (a) how many times has CPIB reached out to witnesses overseas or sought to obtain documents located overseas; (b) when did these actions take place; and (c) what have the responses of the overseas witnesses or organisations been when contacted.
- *42. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Prime Minister (a) why is CPIB not naming the six former senior management staff of Keppel Offshore and Marine Limited who have been issued stern warnings in lieu of prosecution for offences punishable under the Prevention of Corruption Act; and (b) whether their ages and nationalities can be revealed.
- *43. Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for Law in relation to the decision of SLA to take over from HDB state land management within HDB estates, how will SLA retain HDB's institutional knowledge from past dealings with stakeholders, such as concerns of residents and local practices in relation to the organisation of events on state lands, so that they can be taken into account for the issuance of Temporary Occupation Licences.
- *44. Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how many school sites are currently vacant; (b) what is the current average length of time such sites remain vacant; (c) what is the current status of these sites which were used as COVID-19 vaccination centres and migrant worker housing during the COVID-19 pandemic; and (d) whether the Ministry will consider offering short-term leases at these sites pending the long-term plan for these plots of land and facilities, to raise revenue and optimise our buildings.
- *45. Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs of the number of children under 12 years old who were injured in taxis and private hire cars respectively in the past five years, how many were not (i) wearing seat belts and (ii) seated in child car seats at the time of the accident.
- *46. Dr Tan Wu Meng:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs over the past 10 years, whether there has been an increasing trend of young drug offenders and traffickers respectively, who are under (i) 14 years of age and (ii) 16 years of age.
- *47. Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Health in each year from 2017 to 2022 (a) what percentage of locally trained medical doctors from each graduating cohort are accepted into residency programmes; (b) what percentage of those who did not receive places in residency programmes continue to remain in the public hospitals after completing their bond and for how long; and (c) of those who left the public hospitals after completing their bond, what types of careers have they pursued.

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- *48. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will consider collecting data on the pay gap between ITE, polytechnic and university graduates over the course of their careers; and (b) if so, what steps will the Ministry be taking.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE PUBLIC HOUSING:
2. PUBLIC HOUSING POLICIES:

Resumption of Simultaneous Debate on Questions (6 February 2023) –

AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE PUBLIC HOUSING: “That this House affirms the importance of keeping public housing affordable and accessible while protecting the interests of current and future generations of Singaporeans, and endorses the commitment of the Government to these twin goals.” – (Minister for National Development). 2 4

PUBLIC HOUSING POLICIES: “That this House calls upon the Government to review its public housing policies in order to deliver affordable and accessible HDB flats to all Singaporeans, strengthen the owner-occupation intent of public housing, protect retirement adequacy and keep public housing inclusive for every Singaporean of each generation.” – (Mr Leong Mun Wai). 2 4

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. **Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Prime Minister since 1965 (a) how many cases are there of Singapore companies being convicted of corruption overseas; and (b) how many of these cases are also prosecuted in Singapore.
2. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Prime Minister whether there are plans to leverage Artificial Intelligence technology similar to ChatGPT to increase accessibility of Government services to seniors and individuals who are less technologically savvy or who find navigating English websites challenging.

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3. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Prime Minister with regard to the number of household formation in the last three years (a) what is the expected trend on such number in the next three years; and (b) whether there will be a shift in the average number of persons in each household based on the expected trend.
 4. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance in each year over the last 10 years, what is the respective number and proportion of resident households comprising a married couple where (i) the male spouse does not have an earned income but the female spouse does and (ii) the male spouse has a lower earned income compared to the female spouse.
 5. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance in view of the Auditor-General's Office findings and The Third Report of the Public Accounts Committee on COVID-19 related procurement and expenditure, what is the estimated timeline that the Ministry expects to complete its review of the controls and checks on COVID-19 related procurement and expenditure, including following up with the relevant agencies to rectify any errors uncovered and taking steps to recover any erroneous payments.
 6. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what is the projected collection of property taxes in FY 2023/24 relative to FY 2022/2023; (b) what are the contributing factors to the rise in annual values of residential properties; and (c) how can the impact of property tax increases to the low- and middle-income homeowners be further mitigated.
 7. **Dr Tan Wu Meng:** To ask the Minister for Defence in each year since 2017 (a) how many reports have been received regarding employers acting unfairly towards NSmen with reservist obligations; (b) what actions have been taken against such employers; and (c) what measures are in place to recognise employers who actively support NSmen.
 8. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs whether the Singapore Prison Service routinely verifies the mental or physical health of an inmate at the time of admission against the inmate's public hospital records.
 9. **Mr Leong Mun Wai:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) what are the lapses involved in the case of a man who has been awarded \$20,000 in damages for being wrongly imprisoned in 2017; (b) what has caused the case to drag on for so long; (c) whether any actions have been taken by the Singapore Police Force against the officers involved; (d) if so, what are these actions; and (e) what actions have been taken to prevent a recurrence of such incidents.

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10. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) how many road traffic accidents involving car-sharing vehicles and resulting in casualties have there been in 2021 and 2022 respectively; (b) whether the incidence rate of such accidents is higher than that of the general car population; and (c) what measures is the Ministry considering to reduce the rate of accidents involving car-sharing vehicles.
 11. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs in light of a recent United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime report on the expansion of opium cultivation and production in Myanmar, what steps will CNB in concert with other relevant enforcement agencies in ASEAN take to deploy stricter measures to prevent the smuggling of opium, in particular through or into Singapore.
 12. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs in each of the last five years (a) how many Long-Term Visit Pass applications are received for family members to assist with residents' childcare or other care responsibilities; and (b) how many of such applications are successful.
 13. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs regarding the fire at East Coast Road on 9 January 2023 (a) whether the pit cover of the nearest fire hydrant was stuck and, if so, why and what was done to dislodge it; and (b) whether the delay in drawing water from the nearest hydrant caused the fire to spread to more houses.
 14. **Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for Law whether the Inheritance (Family Provision) Act 1966 will be reformed to allow the extension of the current legal duty of a natural parent to maintain an illegitimate child to continue after his or her death such that his or her estate will continue to be liable to discharge that duty.
 15. **Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for Law whether the Government intends to update the criminal disclosure obligations set out in the Criminal Procedure Code 2010 having regard to holdings of the Court of Appeal on disclosure of documents in criminal cases.
 16. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Law whether any update can be provided on the Attorney-General's investigations or decision pursuant to the recommendations made in the Report of the Committee of Privileges, Parliamentary Paper 13 of 2022, presented on 10 February 2022.
 17. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) how the anticipated drought and bushfires hitting Australia at the end of the year may affect Singapore's food imports from the country; and (b) how will such impact on food supply be mitigated.

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18. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) how much funding is projected to be needed for the biotech sector over the next decade; (b) whether the Government plans to provide any funding to the biotech sector; and (c) if so, what is the breakdown of funding for (i) pre-clinical (ii) clinical and (iii) commercialisation stages respectively.
 19. **Mr Shawn Huang Wei Zhong:** To ask the Minister for Transport in view of the rise in piracy and armed robberies in the Singapore Strait in 2022, what are the measures taken to ensure the safe passage of ships in the Strait.
 20. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Transport regarding MRT tracks located near residential areas (a) how does LTA collaborate with other agencies in planning and implementation of noise barriers along these tracks; (b) whether LTA has considered the potential increase in noise levels due to wear and tear on older tracks when evaluating noise reduction measures; and (c) whether LTA will consider reducing the speed of MRT trains near residential areas to mitigate noise pollution if installation of noise barriers are not possible due to prevailing policies.
 21. **Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the Ministry has tested our national water supply in the last year for micro-plastics contamination levels; and (b) if so, whether the test has been conducted for each of the four national tap sources to ascertain if there are any differences in the presence of micro-plastics.
 22. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how have the Packaging Partnership Programme and the Resource Sustainability Act impacted the amount of single-use plastics produced by companies; and (b) what further measures are planned to reduce the use of single-use products and packaging materials by enterprises.
 23. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the offence for leaving vehicle engines idling applies to electric vehicles, which have no tailpipe emissions.
 24. **Dr Tan Wu Meng:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment annually since 2017 (a) how many reports have been received regarding high-rise litter involving faeces; (b) in how many of these cases have the perpetrators identified; and (c) what are the penalties received by the perpetrators.
 25. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the Ministry is able to provide updates on the progress of the Nationwide Reusable Dining-ware Scheme that was proposed by the Citizens' Workgroup on Reducing Excessive Consumption of Disposables; and (b) whether it will consider banning disposables for dining-in at all chain restaurants as part of the scheme.

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26. **Mr Shawn Huang Wei Zhong:** To ask the Minister for Education how will the Ministry manage the use of artificial intelligence (AI) bots such as ChatGPT in schools given the proliferation of AI toolkits.
 27. **Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the Ministry's analysis of the reasons for the widening salary gap between university and non-university graduates; and (b) what are the plans to address this issue.
 28. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Education in each year over the last 10 years, what is the number of Primary One Registrations made under (i) Phase 2A and (ii) Phase 2B, with the respective breakdown in the type of eligibility.
 29. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the number of primary schools that required balloting in Phase 2B during the 2022 Primary One Registration Exercise; and (b) in each year over the last 10 years, what is (i) the number of vacancies and (ii) the ratio of registrants to vacancies in Phase 2B respectively for these schools.
 30. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Minister for Education whether there are plans to leverage on Artificial Intelligence technology similar to ChatGPT to support learning for students who may not have access to tutoring services or to complement the current education system.
 31. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development for each year in the past five years, how many and what percentage of the complaints made to the National Anti-Violence and Sexual Harassment Helpline of abuse or neglect of children are (i) reported to the police (ii) referred to the Child Protective Services (iii) referred to Family Service Centres and (iv) referred to other social service agencies respectively.
 32. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in each year since the Enhanced Step-Up Programme (ESU) was introduced to provide support to students with chronic absenteeism to remain in school (a) how many cases have been referred by schools for the ESU; and (b) of these referrals, how many cases have not proceeded with the ESU because parental consent has not been obtained.
 33. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) over the past five years, what is the annual number of enforcement actions taken against the abuse of the Car Park Label Scheme which is provided for persons with physical disabilities or their caregivers with access to designated disabled parking spaces; and (b) whether the Ministry intends to step up public education to deter such abuses.

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34. **Mr Shawn Huang Wei Zhong:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) whether there are updates on the manpower and specialised skills status of the Government hospitals; (b) whether there is a projected manpower shortage in these hospitals in the short to medium term; and (c) what are the measures taken by the Ministry to ensure that the local healthcare industry continues to attract quality medical and healthcare workers.
35. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what is the take-up rate of COVID-19 vaccination for Singaporean children below the age of five; (b) what is the number of reported adverse reactions amongst this group of children who have undergone vaccination; and (c) whether the Ministry will include the vaccination status of children under five in the vaccination statistics published on its website.
36. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Health what are the safeguards in place to ensure that ethical standards are being met by those working in the mental healthcare sector.
37. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether HDB has investigated if the Biophilic Town Framework, specifically the incorporation of bioswales and rain gardens into precincts, may contribute to the premature deterioration of external finishes of HDB flats.
38. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) when has the specification requiring a six-year warranty for external paintwork for new HDB BTO developments been adopted; (b) whether HDB monitors the incidence of warranty claims; and (c) since 2011, how many such claims have been made by Town Councils annually.
39. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what factors accounted for the approximate 74% increase in land development costs for HDB BTOs, from \$1,816 million in FY2020/21 to \$3,167 million in FY2021/22; and (b) what proportion of the increased spending was due to a higher cost of acquiring land as opposed to a larger volume of flats built or other factors.
40. **Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information whether there are reasons to be concerned about the corporate culture within SPH Media Trust given that it will be Government-funded and that integrity and credibility is of utmost importance to a news media.
41. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information what are the legal safety nets for companies and individuals against social media influencers or companies that do not make disclosures on sponsored social media content.

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- 42. Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether an update can be provided on the Ministry's plan to transition existing migrant worker dormitories to improved standards to strengthen public health resilience and improve living conditions.
- 43. Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether an update can be provided on the current living conditions in migrant worker dormitories to ensure the health and safety of all workers.
- 44. Mr Leong Mun Wai:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) as of December 2022, how many Singaporeans above age 65 are still working; (b) how many of them earn (i) less than \$2,500 (ii) between \$2,500 and \$4,000 and (iii) above \$4,000 per month; and (c) what are the top five industries they are working in.
- 45. Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what are the measures taken to maintain harmony and security in dormitories which house migrant workers from different nationalities, ethnicities and backgrounds; and (b) whether there are any proactive steps to promote multi-racial and ethnicity harmony among residents in these dormitories.
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S. L.	797	Income Tax (Related Party of Approved Shipping Investment Enterprise under Section 13S) (Amendment) Rules 2023 06 February 2023
S. L.	798	Income Tax (Related Party of Approved Container Investment Enterprise under Section 43ZA) (Amendment) Rules 2023 06 February 2023
