

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

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SECOND SESSION

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ORDER PAPER

TUESDAY, 7 APRIL 2020

No. 130

10.00 am

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

- \*1. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) what is the number of police patrols deployed at Little India on weekends; (b) whether the number of patrols at Little India has declined over the past three years; and (c) whether there are any plans by the Police to increase the number of patrols to ensure safety and security of the neighbourhood, especially on weekends and public holidays.
- \*2. **Assoc Prof Walter Theseira:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs whether the Registrar of Societies will assist societies with AGMs or other governance meetings scheduled during the Covid-19 outbreak to (i) waive or modify any requirements in the society's constitution to meet in person to elect officers or determine the society's affairs (ii) waive, modify or delay audit and reporting requirements for societies unable to meet in person to approve their financial and annual statements and (iii) provide guidance on how they can continue to govern their affairs in accordance with applicable regulations during this time.
- \*3. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Manpower since the launch of the Return to Work (RTW) programme in 2017 (a) whether all public hospitals have come on board the RTW programme; (b) how many injured workers have participated in the RTW programme; and (c) how many workers have been successfully placed back to work.

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- \*4. Ms Rahayu Mahzam:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in light of cases of children and the elderly being abused while under the care of foreign domestic workers (FDWs) (a) what are the current screening criteria for FDWs beyond the mandatory health screening; (b) whether the screening includes checking for past criminal records, bankruptcy status, mental health records and character assessments; (c) whether there is a need for additional measures to protect vulnerable members of the household from abuse by FDWs; and (d) whether the Ministry will consider mental health screening of FDWs before they are allowed to be employed.
- \*5. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources with the implementation of the smoking ban in the Orchard Road area on 1 January 2019 (a) what is the trend in the number of offenders since the implementation; (b) whether there are plans to add more designated smoking areas; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider moving these designated smoking areas away from main pedestrian thoroughfare.
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## AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

### Introduction of Government Bills

**1. Prime Minister:**

Parliamentary Elections (COVID-19 Special Arrangements) Bill.

**2. Minister for Law:**

COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Bill.

*[The Member in charge proposes, on a Certificate of Urgency under S.O. 86, to proceed with this Bill throughout all its stages until the Bill has been read the third time.]*

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### ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 (Paper Cmd. 27 of 2020) – Committee of Supply (Allotted day).

[For amendments to be moved in the Committee of Supply, see Supplement No. 24 dated 7 April 2020.]

2. Supplementary Supply (FY 2020) Bill [Bill No. 16/2020] (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance) – Second Reading.
  3. ADDITIONAL SUPPORT MEASURES IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC: *Resumption of Debate on Question (26<sup>th</sup> March 2020)*, “That the Ministerial Statement made by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance on Additional Support Measures in Response to COVID-19 Pandemic be considered by Parliament.” – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance).
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### QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. **Ms Anthea Ong:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) what is the cost breakdown of the projected \$40.7 billion needed to build the Cross Island Line (CRL); (b) whether the cost factors in (i) the depth of the tunnelling (ii) environmental protection and (iii) the distance difference between Options 1 and 2; (c) whether the cost includes buffers for mishaps and the cost of ensuring strict mitigation measures are being carried out for minimal to zero impact on the Central Catchment Nature Reserve; and (d) whether this will mean an even higher cost of transport for public transport users since the CRL is double the cost of the Downtown Line; and (e) if so, what measures will be put in place to make the cost affordable to vulnerable populations.
2. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs since the introduction of the Liquor Control Zone (LCZ) at Little India in 2015 (a) what has been the annual number of LCZ breaches for shops and individuals respectively; (b) what are the top three types of breaches reported; (c) how many liquor licences have been revoked; and (d) whether the police has plans to further reduce the number of liquor licences in Little India.

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3. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what is the number of downloads of the Snapsafe app since its launch in 2017; (b) how many reports have been made via the app on unsafe practices at the workplace; and (c) what are the top three unsafe practices reported via the app.
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### PAPERS PRESENTED

2020		<i>Date Presented</i>	
S.L.	792	Protection from Harassment (Prescribed Internet Intermediaries and Others) Regulations 2020	..... 3 April 2020
S.L.	793	Protection from Harassment (Temporary Exemption) Order 2020	..... 3 April 2020
S.L.	794	Protection from Harassment (Exempt Class of Persons) (Amendment) Order 2020	..... 3 April 2020
S.L.	795	Rules of Court (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2020	..... 3 April 2020

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