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OATHS OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr Abdul Samad (Nominated Member of Parliament)

Ms Janet Ang (Nominated Member of Parliament)

Mr Mark Chay (Nominated Member of Parliament)

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Professor Hoon Hian Teck (Nominated Member of Parliament)

Professor Koh Lian Pin (Nominated Member of Parliament)

Dr Shahira Abdullah (Nominated Member of Parliament)

Dr Tan Yia Swam (Nominated Member of Parliament)

Mr Raj Joshua Thomas (Nominated Member of Parliament)

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS*

- *1. **Dr Lim Wee Kiak:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what is the progress of the COVID-19 vaccination programme since it was launched; (b) among those who took the vaccination so far, how many have suffered side effects; (c) where will the vaccination sites be located for the wider population; and (d) whether the accessibility of these sites will be considered, particularly for the elderly and those with mobility problems.
- *2. **Mr Desmond Choo:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) to date, what is the progress of the national COVID-19 vaccination programme; (b) what are the types of side effects observed; and (c) how many instances of severe side effects are there requiring emergency care.
- *3. **Mr Darryl David:** To ask the Minister for Health whether the Government can provide an update as to how the COVID-19 vaccination programme is progressing especially with regard to any adverse reactions to the vaccinations so far and how such cases, if any, have been managed.

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- *4. **Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for Health in relation to the COVID-19 vaccination programme for seniors aged 70 and above that commenced in late January 2021, whether steps will be taken to proactively identify and help seniors who may find it difficult to make bookings for injections or have mobility issues to receive injections.
- *5. **Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what are the numbers and kinds of COVID-19 vaccines that Singapore has ordered and what are their delivery schedules; (b) how many vaccination centres will be set up in the next six months and what is the capacity of the vaccination centres; and (c) how many people have received the COVID-19 vaccination as of end-January 2021 and how many of them have shown symptoms of side effects, if any.
- *6. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Health in light of the reported deaths of elderly persons in Norway after taking the Pfizer vaccine (a) whether the Government will be consulting with the Expert Committee on COVID-19 Vaccination to review the vaccination strategy in Singapore, particularly for the elderly; and (b) whether any additional precautions will be taken and, if so, what are they.
- *7. **Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Minister for Health whether a vaccination advisory service can be provided to members of the public to seek clarifications about their suitability for COVID-19 vaccination in view of their particular medical conditions such as allergies and past reactions to vaccines.
- *8. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Health whether the Government will consider allowing citizens who need to visit an ill family member who is overseas, to take their COVID-19 vaccination before it is their turn to do so.
- *9. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Health with regard to the COVID-19 vaccination exercise (a) whether residents can be given the option to go for early vaccination if they have good reasons to travel abroad and at short notice, such as for studies, business, or on compassionate grounds; (b) whether these travellers can be allowed special dispensation to travel to COVID-19 hotspots identified by the Ministry; and (c) if so, what is the process for this category of travellers to apply for the vaccination.
- *10. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what are the vaccination groups for the purpose of scheduling COVID-19 vaccinations; (b) how many persons are there in each group; (c) what is the order of priority for these groups for vaccinations; and (d) whether Singaporeans who are scheduled to travel overseas for studies or essential business can be prioritised for vaccinations.
- *11. **Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) how will the general public be notified of the COVID-19 vaccination schedule and where they have to go for their vaccinations; (b) whether there will be an option for Singaporeans who need to travel to request to have their vaccinations earlier; and (c) what is the progress of the vaccination programme and learnings so far.

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- *12. **Mr Sharael Taha:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) whether Singaporeans who are required to work or study overseas can opt-in for early COVID-19 vaccination; and (b) if so, what is the process to apply for the early vaccination.
- *13. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what is the timeline of the COVID-19 vaccine rollout for migrant workers; and (b) what measures will be taken to educate migrant workers so as to encourage the uptake of vaccines.
- *14. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) how has LTA stepped up on the monitoring of weather-induced problems such as soil erosion which pose a danger to motorists and disrupt traffic; (b) whether there will be an increased frequency of inspection of transport infrastructure to ensure their adequacy to withstand the elements; and (c) what are the long-term plans for pre-emptive measures to safeguard against weather-induced problems on roads and traffic.
- *15. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) in the past six months, how many potholes have been reported on our public roads; (b) what is the average length of time that LTA takes to repair such potholes; and (c) what is the recourse that motorists can seek when their vehicles are damaged by potholes.
- *16. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) in the past three months, how many cases of landslips along our public roads have been recorded; (b) whether there are any vehicular damage or injuries that happened as a result of these slope erosion incidents; (c) how many locations in Singapore are prone to such slope erosion incidents; and (d) what are the Ministry's plans to prevent such incidents from happening.
- *17. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what are the Ministry's policies and guidelines on students with gender dysphoria; (b) how often are such policies and approaches reviewed at the school and Ministry levels; (c) what level of autonomy do schools have over the setting of such policies and approaches; and (d) whether the Ministry will consider presenting a public report on these matters to Parliament on a regular basis.
- *18. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what support is available for students who face gender-based bullying and discrimination, including at single-sex institutions; (b) what training is provided to staff to support students who face gender-based bullying and discrimination; (c) what proportion of staff at each school receive such training; (d) how do schools educate students about gender-based bullying and discrimination; and (e) what recourse do students have when faced with bullying over such issues.
- *19. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what percentage of primary and secondary schools have anti-bullying and anti-cyberbullying policies in place; and (b) whether teachers are provided with training and support to handle cases of bullying and cyberbullying in schools and, if so, in what ways is training provided.

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- *20. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what are the considerations as to whether or not a green space can be protected as a nature reserve; and (b) whether this has been considered for the Dover Forest.
- *21. **Dr Tan Wu Meng:** To ask the Minister for National Development regarding Clementi Forest and similar green spaces (a) what are the criteria by which land parcels are scheduled for development; (b) how are implications for wildlife, biodiversity and green corridor connectivity assessed when a green space is developed rather than redeveloping an existing urban space; and (c) whether and how any potential irreversibility of environmental impact is considered during the above processes.
- *22. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry will consider extending the public consultation period for the Environment Baseline Study for the Dover Forest; (b) whether the results and outcome of the consultation can be made public; and (c) whether an environment impact assessment will be conducted if active development of the Dover Forest zone is considered.
- *23. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the current number of hectares of existing green spaces that are projected to be developed over the next 10 to 15 years; (b) what percentage of these are forested areas; and (c) of the projected increase of 1,000 hectares of green spaces over the same time period, how much of the increase is reserved for wildlife compared to areas accessible to the general public.
- *24. **Miss Cheryl Chan Wei Ling:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what are the new trends factored in the current review of the Concept Plan; (b) whether there is a minimum percentage requirement of Singapore's land space to be allocated for natural green space such as forests; and (c) whether COVID-19 has affected the considerations of future land use in terms of natural and built environment.
- *25. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what processes are in place to ensure that that public bodies respect the principles laid out in the 2015 Nature Conservation Masterplan when making any development decisions that affect our green spaces or biodiversity; (b) in relation to the Dover Forest, what was the nature and frequency of consultation that the Ministry conducted with MND, HDB and URA about the development of the forest; and (c) what steps are being proposed to address the loss of biodiversity and habitat of endangered and rare species caused by the envisaged deforestation of Dover Forest.
- *26. **Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Minister for Manpower how much has been spent on supporting dormitory operators to comply with COVID-19-related measures and whether these dormitory operators are required to reimburse the Government for this expenditure.
- *27. **Ms Foo Mee Har:** To ask the Minister for Transport whether resources can be redeployed to expedite the construction of the Jurong Region MRT Line for earlier completion in the light of the cancellation of the High Speed Rail to Malaysia.

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- *28. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether URA has any plans to rezone the land acquired for the abandoned Kuala Lumpur – Singapore High Speed Rail.
- *29. **Ms Carrie Tan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) for each year from 2015 to 2019, how many persons, disaggregated by age and gender, who are outside of the labour force, cite care for their own children as the main reason for being outside of the labour force; and (b) how many months on average these persons remain outside of the labour force.
- *30. **Ms Carrie Tan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) for each year from 2015 to 2019, how many persons, disaggregated by age and gender, who are outside of the labour force, cite care for their elderly parents as the main reason for being outside of the labour force; and (b) how many months on average these persons remain outside of the labour force.
- *31. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry has studied the effects of introducing gender-neutral fertility leave on the employability of the individuals who use it; (b) if so, what are the results of the study; and (c) if not, whether it intends to undertake such a study, or why not.
- *32. **Dr Tan Wu Meng:** To ask the Minister for Law (a) what measures protect sole proprietors of micro SMEs from rogue landlords in the event of landlord-tenant disputes where such disputes are not handled by the Small Claims Tribunal; and (b) what are the avenues by which micro SME sole proprietors of limited means can access legal services at affordable cost especially if they do not qualify for pro bono legal services.
- *33. **Ms Sylvia Lim:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs whether the Government is working with the Malaysian authorities to facilitate Singaporeans entering Malaysia for essential personal matters such as family bereavements.
- *34. **Mr Alex Yam Ziming:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information with the recent revision to WhatsApp's privacy policy (a) whether the use of WhatsApp channels by various government agencies to communicate with the public will be impacted; (b) whether the Ministry has detected any decrease in the number of subscribers following the change in policy; and (c) whether businesses and organisations will need to review their WhatsApp policies for communication with the public to avoid breaching personal data protection protocols.
- *35. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information in view of the changes to WhatsApp's terms and policy (a) what will be the impact on the Government in its use of WhatsApp for official communication among (i) public officers and (ii) government agencies and individuals; and (b) whether it is permitted for a third party to share for commercial purposes the Government data which it has collected.

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- *36. **Mr Alex Yam Ziming:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information (a) what is the impact of the SolarWinds breach on Singapore and the cybersecurity of our critical systems; and (b) what steps is the Ministry taking to mitigate the cyber threats to Singapore arising from this and other global cybersecurity incidents.
- *37. **Mr Desmond Choo:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information in light of the SolarWinds cybersecurity incident (a) how many companies and government agencies are affected or vulnerable to such attacks; and (b) how can companies providing essential services and government agencies have better oversight over cybersecurity arrangements with third party providers.
- *38. **Ms Foo Mee Har:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) how is the \$100 billion that is set aside to deal with the COVID-19 crisis spent to support families, workers and businesses; and (b) what is the projected unused amounts if any.
- *39. **Ms Carrie Tan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Government's matched contributions under the Matched Retirement Savings Scheme apply to top-ups made by non-family members; and (b) whether the tax reliefs provided to those who top up the CPF accounts of their loved ones can be extended to non-related persons who may choose to do so for someone.
- *40. **Ms Foo Mee Har:** To ask the Minister for Manpower why does the Matched Retirement Savings Scheme (MRSS) limit eligibility up to 70 years old and not allow those aged beyond 70 to benefit as well.
- *41. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Manpower arising from Indonesia's new "zero placement policy" (a) what measures can the Ministry put in place to support employers who need to hire new foreign domestic workers from Indonesia; and (b) whether the Ministry has any plans to help alleviate the financial burden for such employers who are unable to afford the placement fee.
- *42. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) what lessons are learned from the COVID-19 cluster of cases arising from the bunker vessel "Newocean 6"; and (b) whether any new protective measures have since been or will be introduced for (i) visiting commercial vessels to the Port of Singapore (ii) the boarding of such vessels by any personnel who are not part of the vessels' crew and (iii) MPA's crew change requirements.
- *43. **Ms Ng Ling Ling:** To ask the Minister for Health whether it is compulsory for all public healthcare institutions to have clear policies on (i) escalation processes for frontline healthcare workers who are verbally or physically harassed (ii) consistent management responses to support the workers tiered according to severity of the harassment and (iii) reporting of the number of such cases to the Ministry to monitor the overall situation.

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- *44. **Dr Tan Wu Meng:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) how many and what proportion of workers at healthcare institutions are currently outsourced; (b) what proportion of outsourced workers perform roles which in the pre-outsourcing era would have been in frontline or patient care areas or involving handling patient samples; and (c) whether human resource practices for outsourced workers are harmonised with direct hires, including recognition for COVID-19 related work and frontline exposure risk.
- *45. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Prime Minister (a) which types of establishments will be required to comply with TraceTogether-only SafeEntry; (b) how many of such establishments presently do not have the capability to accept TraceTogether token check-in and what is their percentage of all affected establishments; (c) how is the Government supporting these establishments in acquiring this capability; and (d) to what extent will the Government help defray additional costs incurred by smaller establishments to comply with TraceTogether-only SafeEntry.
- *46. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information how does the Government support the building of understanding and awareness of potential risks among youths, parents and educators on emerging social media platforms including Tik-Tok and OnlyFans and the creation of a safer Internet culture particularly on such platforms.
- *47. **Miss Cheryl Chan Wei Ling:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information whether the Ministry will consider (i) legally requiring social media platforms to inform its users that their account has been hacked or that an attempt has been made (ii) providing a channel for companies to report such acts and (iii) legally requiring social media platforms to maintain an office to respond to reports filed by the victims.
- *48. **Mr Darryl David:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how will the proposed additional university places this year be distributed across the different universities and their various courses; and (b) whether these proposed additional places may result in a corresponding easing of qualifying grades for some university courses.
- *49. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) based on simulations using past PSLE data, how many students taking the 2021 PSLE does the Ministry forecast will have their secondary school places allocated using computerised balloting as a third tie-breaker; and (b) whether the Ministry is considering introducing additional tie-breakers, in addition to citizenship and choice order of schools, to minimise the number of secondary school places which are allocated based on chance.
- *50. **Mr Seah Kian Peng:** To ask the Minister for Health whether there is any evidence to show correlation between the quantum of medical/hospitalisation bills and medical insurance coverage.

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- *51. **Mr Gan Thiam Poh:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) in the past five years, how many appeals have been received from Singaporeans and permanent residents for medical subsidy for their sponsored Long-Term Visit Pass (LTVP) holders and Dependant Pass holders; (b) how many cases and percentage of appeals have been allowed; (c) how many have been allowed to use their MediSave to help pay for the medical expenses of their LTVP holders and Dependant Pass holders; and (d) whether the Ministry will consider requiring the sponsors for all LTVP holders and Dependent Pass holders to acquire medical, hospitalisation and travel insurance for them during their stay in Singapore as part of the conditions of pass approval.
- *52. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is HDB's approach to assist flat dwellers who experience persistent external wall seepages and ceiling leakages; and (b) whether HDB invests in new capabilities and technologies to tackle long-standing and recurring cases where the HDB maintenance contractors are unable or incapable of rectifying.
- *53. **Mr Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether HDB will consider rolling out a national programme of facade repair for ageing HDB blocks in view of the recent spates of external wall seepage.
- *54. **Mr Sharael Taha:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) over the last three months, what is the number of complaints regarding ceiling and wall water leakages received by HDB; (b) whether this is significantly more than what has been received over the same period the year before; and (c) what are the main reasons for these ceiling and wall water leakages in HDB flats.
- *55. **Mr Desmond Choo:** To ask the Minister for National Development how can the Ministry support Town Councils to help residents with water seepages and wear and tear problems at common areas of HDB estates.
- *56. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) in the past three years, how many complaints has the Ministry or BCA received regarding the construction quality of housing estates in Singapore; and (b) what is the percentage of cases which have been resolved by the developer or contractor.
- *57. **Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) given the approach to enforcements of safe distancing measures, which are the public agencies in charge of deploying safe distancing ambassadors and enforcement officers in community hotspots (including basketball courts and playgrounds) and in residential estates; (b) how frequent and extensive are safe-distancing patrolling efforts within residential areas; and (c) whether the enforcement agencies are cross-sharing reported cases from the community on the flouting of safe distancing rules.

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- *58. Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) out of the total number of Singaporeans who maintain a CPF account, how many of them have opted for the CPF Nomination Scheme and out of which, how many have made their nominations online; and (b) upon the demise of a CPF member, how long does it take for CPF Board to be alerted and thereafter process the payout to those who have made a nomination, and for those cases where no nomination is made.
- *59. Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what is the number of foreigners, permanent residents and Singaporeans arriving in Singapore from July 2020 and of these, how many have been tested positive for COVID-19; (b) of the foreigners arriving in Singapore since July 2020, how many are work permit holders and domestic helpers respectively and of these, how many have been tested positive for COVID-19; and (c) whether there are plans for foreigners to submit Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test results to the Singapore Government at least three calendar days prior to arrival in Singapore.
- *60. Mr Mohd Fahmi Bin Aliman:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development and Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs (a) what is the current number of madrasah students diagnosed with mental health conditions; (b) whether measures are put in place to engender awareness about mental health issues among madrasah students; and (c) whether more can be done to combat the stigma surrounding mental health in madrasahs.
- *61. Mr Mohd Fahmi Bin Aliman:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development and Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs (a) what is the current number of madrasah teachers in Singapore; (b) what is the number of madrasah teachers who have benefitted from (i) Teachers Development Capitation Grant (ii) MUIS-led Teacher Development Programmes and (iii) Teachers Training Support Grant; and (c) whether MUIS or the Ministry is working towards programmes to equip madrasah teachers with the necessary skills to deal with mental health issues among their student population.
- *62. Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development and Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs following the announcement that MUIS is conducting a comprehensive review to further strengthen the foreign halal certification bodies (FHCBs) recognition framework by end-2021, whether MUIS will open a public consultation where members of the public and stakeholders can provide their feedback and suggestions.
- *63. Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Prime Minister (a) whether MAS has done any study to monitor the extent and implications of consumer data monopoly by firms; (b) how is the personal data of users of digital payments being protected when they use this payment mode; and (c) what has been the progress on the Central Digital Currency project and whether it will be an appropriate substitute for consumers who wish to preserve their privacy when paying digitally.

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- *64. **Mr Leong Mun Wai:** To ask the Prime Minister (a) whether MAS has any supervisory role overseeing the appointments of top leaders of local financial institutions and, if so, what is the extent of this role; and (b) whether MAS will intervene if such a position within a local financial institution has not been held by Singaporean citizens for an extended period of time.
- *65. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Education given the rise in community COVID-19 cases, whether the option for telecommuting or remote teaching can be made available for teachers or staff who fall within the vulnerable group like pregnant women, elderly or those with immune deficiency.
- *66. **Mr Lim Biow Chuan:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs whether the Government will consider enhancing the punishment against criminals who commit cheating or scam offences electronically or via telephone.
- *67. **Miss Cheryl Chan Wei Ling:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information (a) whether the Ministry can share statistics from 2015-2020 of cyber attempts made to (i) scam non-natural persons and (ii) hack into financial or non-financial accounts of non-natural persons; and (b) what actions have the Ministry taken to protect locally registered organisations or companies.
- *68. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry coordinates the schedules of multiple construction projects by different agencies affecting a specific residential area to minimise the duration of which they take place concurrently; (b) what are the criteria that will trigger the Ministry to review its approval process for these works; and (c) how do the different project leaders and relevant public agencies work together to address feedback from residents in a timely manner.
- *69. **Ms Ng Ling Ling:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) how many Singaporeans are currently eligible for community care apartments; and (b) whether HDB will consider rolling out such apartments earlier to more townships should demand far exceed the pilot supply.
- *70. **Mr Shawn Huang Wei Zhong:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what are the long-term plans to ensure the continued vibrancy and sustainability of Singapore's hawker culture; and (b) what are the infrastructure plans for current and future hawkers to have affordable space and options to conduct their businesses whilst achieving environment sustainability and a high standard of hygiene, food and waste management.
- *71. **Mr Sharael Taha:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether there is an impact on demand for commercial office spaces given that work-from-home remains the norm and offices are downsizing; and (b) if so, whether the Ministry is exploring any measures to soften the impact on the market.

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- *72. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) whether there are any recommendations from the Inter-Agency Task Force on Family Violence to tackle family violence; and (b) whether there are any immediate steps to help prevent family violence against children below the age of 12 years who may not have direct access to help except through their own caregivers.
- *73. **Mr Seah Kian Peng:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development how many children who are currently eligible for a Child Development Account (CDA) have not had their CDAs established and what can be done for this particular group of children.
- *74. **Mr Lim Biow Chuan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will review the rule that employers must bear all medical costs of their foreign domestic workers especially where the medical treatment is not related to the work of the worker.
- *75. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what are the prerequisites for a neighbourhood town centre to qualify for the Remaking our Heartland (ROH) and Revitalisation of Shops (ROS) schemes respectively; (b) what is the scope of works covered under each of the schemes; (c) whether the scopes will potentially overlap with each other; and (d) whether the Ministry can consider integrating these two schemes to achieve a more holistic approach for the upgrading of the town centres.
- *76. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information (a) how many households are currently eligible for subsidised digital inclusion schemes like the Home Access and NEU PC Plus Programmes, and what percentage of these households are not enrolled; (b) what is being done to create more awareness about the schemes to eligible households; (c) whether there are plans to place rental households under auto-inclusion for the Home Access Programme; and (d) what are the plans for the next 10 years to ensure that the broadband technology availed to subsidised recipients stay current with the times.
- *77. **Mr Chong Kee Hiong:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information whether Singaporeans and residents can register their preferred language of communication with the Government so that paper wastage may be reduced and to ensure that those who can only understand mother tongues receive messages in the appropriate languages.
- *78. **Ms Sylvia Lim:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what is the current waiting time for admission to nursing homes; (b) how has COVID-19 impacted the admission of new cases into nursing homes; and (c) what options do families have to care for their ailing family members pending such admission.
- *79. **Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs in relation to the police operation between 21 December 2020 and 3 January 2021 that led to the arrest of 151 persons who are suspected to be members of unlawful societies (a) what are the reasons that led to the commencement of the operation; and (b) what is the Ministry's assessment of the impact of gang activities on the crime and security situation in Singapore at this point.

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- *80. Mr Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the average tenancy term of a HDB eating house; (b) how many eating houses have been tendered under the Price Quality Method to date; and (c) whether HDB keeps track of rent for individual stallholders with the operators of eating houses to ensure that the terms of the agreement between HDB and the operators are adhered to.
- *81. Ms Mariam Jaafar:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the current number of households with both Singapore citizen and non-resident children (ie at least one child who is on a Long-Term Visit Pass or student pass); and (b) how does the Government ensure that the higher cost of education for the non-resident siblings does not lead to less resources and opportunities for their Singapore citizen siblings.
- *82. Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether LTA has plans for a major revamp of bus routes following the staged opening of Thomson-East Coast Line; and (b) what is the number of current bus routes with fare revenue (i) exceeding operating cost and (ii) falling behind operating cost; (c) and of these, which are trunk and feeder services respectively in 2019 and 2020.
- *83. Mr Lim Biow Chuan:** To ask the Minister for Transport whether LTA can step up its enforcement action against reckless cyclists riding along the footpaths and park connector networks.
- *84. Mr Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) how many visitors continue to use over-the-counter services at ICA in 2020; and (b) what is ICA doing to ensure that residents who require assistance to access ICA services can continue to do so.
- *85. Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what are the circumstances under which the Silver Support payout quantum may be reduced for beneficiaries; and (b) whether there are ways by which changes may be better explained to reduce the anxiety and other negative consequences for the seniors who are unaware or do not expect the drop.
- *86. Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) whether the Ministry maintains a database of adult persons with intellectual disabilities and special needs (undiagnosed and diagnosed); (b) whether such personal information can be passed on to local volunteer and charity organisations to reach out to these persons who may be living without caregivers, without their explicit consent; and (c) what are the outreach plans for such adults especially if they are living alone, or with elderly caregivers.
- *87. Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the Ministry can extend the evidence-gathering methods used in cases of high-rise littering to those cases that involve people smoking at their windows and balconies.

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- *88. Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the high-rise anti-littering measures taken so far have been effective; (b) whether the surveillance devices being deployed can be scaled up; and (c) whether the agencies will look to new technologies and devices to enhance enforcement capabilities.
- *89. Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how regularly are complaints about smoking in prohibited locations lodged; (b) how many of them turn out to be in areas that are not prohibited; and (c) whether there have been considerations to redefine prohibited smoking areas based on different parameters such as human traffic volume and width of walking area.
- *90. Mr Leong Mun Wai:** To ask the Minister for Trade Industry (a) how is the Tech.Pass different from the current visa options such as EntrePass for foreign individuals intending to start their own companies; (b) whether there will be a reduction in the number of work passes available generally in view of the introduction of the Tech.Pass; and (c) whether the eligibility criteria are too lax especially with regard to “at least five cumulative years of experience in a leading role in the development of a tech product that has at least 100,000 monthly active users”.
- *91. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) over the last five years, what is the annual number and capacity (MW) of new data centres approved for construction; (b) whether there has been any forms of moratorium imposed on the construction of new data centres; and (c) if so, what are the terms of such a moratorium and when was this announced.
- *92. Mr Seah Kian Peng:** To ask the Minister for National Development arising from the many inconveniences caused to residents and damage to public property caused by the feeding of community animals, whether the Ministry will consider including the feeding of community animals under the Wildlife Act.
- *93. Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the latest demand and supply imbalances of HDB rental flats; (b) whether there are new supplies of rental flats planned for the next three years; and (c) whether the Fresh Start Housing scheme has been useful in helping rental dwellers own their HDB flats.
- *94. Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng:** To ask the Minister for Health what are the outcomes of the pilot Care Close to Home service model for the elderly frail and home bound residents in HDB public rental estates.
- *95. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what is the framework currently in place at the national and localised levels to support seniors and their caregivers who face mental health challenges; and (b) whether plans are on track to expand the long-term care workforce.

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- *96. Mr Shawn Huang Wei Zhong:** To ask the Minister for Education for 2019 and 2020 (a) what is the median number of sporting co-curricular activities (CCAs) and non-sporting CCAs available in primary and secondary schools; and (b) which primary and secondary school offered (i) the most number of sporting CCAs and non-sporting CCAs and (ii) the least number of sporting CCAs and non-sporting CCAs.
- *97. Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Education whether a teacher who gets a C- grade in one school can potentially get a different grade for the same work performance if ranked with teachers in another school.
- *98. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Manpower with the start of Phase Three of Re-opening (a) what is the maximum proportion of employees who are able to work from home allowed at the workplace at any point in time; (b) whether work-from-home remains the default mode of working; and (c) whether the Ministry will allow employees who are able to work from home the right to do so for a specified proportion of workplace hours in Phase Three and beyond.
- *99. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what are the trends for disabilities in Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADLs); (b) how do IADL disabilities impact upon employment or financial independence among Singaporeans; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider including IADLs as part of the eligibility criteria for claim payouts in long-term care schemes like CareShield.
- *100. Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) whether there are any statistics about the awareness and practice of doing pap smear tests among females in Singapore; and (b) whether the Ministry will work with tertiary institutions to educate students about the importance of such tests.
- *101. Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Prime Minister whether, in light of the Minister for Health's advisory issued in February 2020 to medical practitioners to issue five days of sick leave to patients with respiratory symptoms during this pandemic, whether childcare leave period for eligible parents under the Child Development Co-Savings Act may be extended for the period of the pandemic so as to allow parents to provide support for their children who may be issued with sick leave and are therefore required to stay at home.

* Members may postpone their Questions to a later sitting day if their Questions are not reached by the end of Question Time (QT). For such Questions, Members may email to parl_cop@parl.gov.sg in advance a postponement notice that will be effected after QT. Members must submit their notices to the Clerk within one hour after the end of QT (SO 22(3)). Questions will be given a written answer if no such notices are received by the Clerk within the stipulated time.

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Introduction of Government Bill

1. Minister for Law:

COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Amendment) 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.]

ORDER OF THE DAY AND NOTICE OF MOTION

(That marked • is Order of the Day)

- 1. Electronic Transactions (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 1/2021] – (Minister for Communications and Information) – Second Reading.

- 2. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang (Nee Soon)**
Miss Cheryl Chan Wei Ling (East Coast)
Mr Gan Thiam Poh (Ang Mo Kio)
Ms Poh Li San (Sembawang)
Ms Hany Soh (Marsiling-Yew Tee)
Mr Don Wee (Chua Chu Kang):

ACCELERATE AND DEEPEN EFFORTS AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE:
That this House calls on the Government, in partnership with the private sector 2
and the people of Singapore, to deepen and accelerate efforts to mitigate and 4
adapt to climate change, and to embrace sustainability in the development of
Singapore.

MEMORANDUM

Matter proposed to be raised on the Motion for the Adjournment (SO 2(8)(b)).

Mr Christopher de Souza : Preservation of Dover Forest in Ulu Pandan.
(Holland-Bukit Timah)

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

- 1. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Prime Minister what procedures are in place to obtain feedback from all Ministries regarding potential impact on their work and related legislation from any new initiative and to ensure better coordination among Government departments and agencies.

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2. **Mr Leong Mun Wai:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether he can provide a breakdown of the 2020 Budgets amounting to \$100 billion in terms of (i) expenditure items that total \$100 million and above and (ii) which Ministries and contractors are involved in these expenditure items.
 3. **Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance in view of the difficulties that charities are encountering in raising funds under the current climate, whether the Ministry will enhance tax incentives to encourage companies still doing well to donate.
 4. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Defence (a) how many piracy attacks in the Singapore Strait have been recorded in 2020; (b) how many successful arrests have been made in these cases; (c) whether there has been an increasing trend of piracy attacks in the Singapore Strait over the past 10 years; and (d) what are the Ministry's plans to enhance the safety of ships plying our waters.
 5. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs with new psychoactive substances on the rise and the possibility of them being masked and labelled as medicine, what measures are being taken to ensure that they are not easily bought online.
 6. **Mr Gan Thiam Poh:** To ask the Minister for Law (a) in view of the Personal Data Protection Act, whether the Ministry will consider restricting public access to the identity of property owners in Singapore; and (b) whether any such disclosure ought to be subject to the consent of the property owner or through an order of court.
 7. **Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for Law since the enhancement of the community sentencing regime under the Criminal Procedure Code in 2018 (a) how many persons have to date been imposed community sentences and what is the breakdown for each type of community sentence; (b) whether the numbers represent an increase over the corresponding period before the enhancement of the regime; and (c) what steps have been taken to ensure that there are sufficient resources channelled to deal with these cases.
 8. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Law (a) to date, how many wills have been registered with the Public Trustee's Wills Registry; and (b) what is the take-up rate annually for the past 10 years, before and after the implementation of the registration fees.
 9. **Ms Sylvia Lim:** To ask the Minister for Law regarding contracts of which relief has been sought under the COVID-19 Temporary Measures Act 2020, what prosecution action has been taken under Sections 13(11) and 13(12) of the Act to deal with parties who, without reasonable excuse, fail to comply with directions as determined by Assessors.

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10. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Law (a) how many individuals and companies who have signed contracts for activities such as wedding celebrations, conferences and holiday tours have applied for legal protection under the COVID-19 Temporary Measures Act; (b) what is the percentages of cases where negotiations failed and assessors had to be involved; and (c) whether there is any further recourse for individuals and companies who do not agree to the assessors' assessments.
 11. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Law (a) how many businesses have taken on the Re-Align Framework in order to terminate their existing rental contracts ahead of schedule; (b) what are the categories that these contracts fall under; and (c) within non-residential immovable property, what is the square footage of the property sub-sectors affected.
 12. **Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Health whether the Ministry will consider rolling out initiatives to equip people with mental health first aid.
 13. **Mr Shawn Huang Wei Zhong:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what is the projected rise in cost of medical services and health insurance for 2021; (b) what are the active measures to be taken in 2021 to ensure that the rise in cost of medical services and health insurance remains low and affordable; and (c) what are further measures and considerations in 2021 to further flatten the curve of medical insurance premiums for elderly citizens as they age.
 14. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Minister for Health whether the Ministry will allow Singaporeans who are required to travel for work and studies to opt in to receive early COVID-19 vaccination.
 15. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what are the avenues to seek assistance with payments of MediShield Life premiums; (b) what does Additional Premium Support entail and what is the duration of the approval process; and (c) how is future inflation taken into consideration in planning the various support schemes to ensure MediShield Life premiums remain affordable for all.
 16. **Dr Tan Wu Meng:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) over the last three years, what is the annual number of cases reported of healthcare workers encountering harassment or physical or verbal abuse respectively in the course of workplace duties or targeting healthcare worker roles while off-duty; (b) what proportion led to (i) police reports (ii) legal action and (iii) offences being made out as assessed by authorities; and (c) what are the eventual outcomes.
 17. **Dr Tan Wu Meng:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) whether harassment protections under the Protection from Harassment Act apply to nurses and healthcare workers facing harassment in the course of workplace duties; and (b) whether the Act protects off-duty nurses and healthcare workers who encounter harassment pertaining to their healthcare role while the worker is on public transport, in public areas, or at home.

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18. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) for each year in the past five years, what is the total amount of subsidies provided for In-Vitro Fertilisation (IVF) treatments; and (b) based on current amount of subsidies and data, what is the expected increase in subsidies expenditure where subsidies are provided beyond the current three fresh and three frozen subsidised cycles for (i) an additional fresh cycle (ii) an additional frozen cycle (iii) two additional fresh cycles and (iv) two additional frozen cycles respectively.
 19. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Health whether he can provide an update on whether the Ministry is aware of any air filters available in the market which have been proven to effectively filter out the harmful effects of second-hand smoke in private homes.
 20. **Mr Leong Mun Wai:** To ask the Minister for Health besides the MediShield Life Council's recommendation to reduce the proportion of private healthcare bills covered by MediShield Life from 35% to 25%, what other measures can be implemented to control private and public healthcare costs.
 21. **Mr Don Wee:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry will review the provision of COVID-19 vaccines to seniors aged above 80; and (b) what is the take-up rate of vaccinations so far.
 22. **Mr Don Wee:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) in the last three years, how many elderly suicides were there; (b) how many of these are related to cases of terminal illnesses; and (c) what are the measures to reduce the suffering of the terminally ill elderly.
 23. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) how frequently does the Ministry conduct inspections on private hospitals; (b) how many patients have been affected by the suspension of operations by Concord International Hospital; and (c) whether there have been any lapses detected during March to September 2020 while the hospital was caring for COVID-19 patients who were clinically well but tested positive for the virus.
 24. **Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the Ministry will consider working with companies to upgrade rubbish trucks into newer and quieter electric vehicles.
 25. **Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment what is being done to educate food stall owners and customers on the precautions that can be taken to ensure hygiene and prevent the spread of COVID-19 while still allowing customers to bring their own reusable containers.
 26. **Mr Shawn Huang Wei Zhong:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment what are the further measures to be considered in 2021 to ensure that disamenities such as second-hand cigarette smoke that causes long-term medical problems does not affect other homeowners who are non-smokers in their own homes.

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27. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the Ministry will conduct outreach to determine the percentage of the population that will support a smoking ban by the window or balcony of their residence; and (b) whether the Ministry will work with the Town Councils to pass by-laws on smoking bans with support from residents.
28. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) in the past five years, what is the annual amount of biohazardous waste generated in Singapore; (b) how are these waste being disposed; and (c) what are the efforts introduced to reduce biohazardous waste generated in Singapore.
29. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how many active recycling collection points have been set up across Singapore; and (b) how many have been set up in community centres to educate and bond residents to build a green community.
30. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the Ministry has examined the environmental costs of digital currencies, such as Bitcoin, that require large amounts of electricity to derive new units of the currency (“mining”); (b) whether there has been an estimate of the costs of Bitcoin and other related digital currency mining in Singapore; (c) whether these costs are substantial; and (d) whether there has been any consideration of restricting the mining of such currencies in Singapore.
31. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what is the current operational situation at Tuaspring Desalination Plant after PUB’s takeover; (b) how much additional capital outlay will be necessary to bring Tuaspring Desalination Plant to optimal operating capacity; and (c) whether PUB has decided to operate the Tuaspring Desalination Plant over the long term.
32. **Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry whether the Ministry will consider allowing SingapoRediscover Vouchers for use at food and beverage outlets in tourist-targeted areas.
33. **Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) what are the learning points from the false positive COVID-19 incident on board the Royal Caribbean cruise on 9 December 2020; and (b) whether the Ministry supports plans to allow more cruise ships to ply through Singapore’s ports.
34. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the land for the Sandcrawler building and Breadtalk HQ have been awarded to Lucasfilm and Breadtalk respectively based on a direct allocation basis without an open tender and subject to business plans; (b) what is JTC’s consideration before approving any sale; and (c) whether JTC will consider for land and buildings subject to direct land allocation to be only ‘resold’ back to JTC except under exceptional circumstances.

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35. **Mr Desmond Choo:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry how will Singapore's macroeconomic policy and development change in a COVID-19 and post-COVID-19 economy.
36. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) what are the targets of the SingapoRediscoverers scheme in terms of the numbers of merchants who will benefit from it, broken down by revenue size and sector; (b) what is the current progress in terms of the numbers of such merchants, broken down by revenue size and sector; and (c) what support is given to (i) smaller merchants and (ii) merchants who are less digitally literate, to be onboarded to the scheme.
37. **Miss Cheryl Chan Wei Ling:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether he can provide a breakdown on the investments secured by Singapore from 2005-2020; (b) after the completion of these projects, what is their contribution of value-add per annum; (c) how many new jobs are created per year; and (d) what percentage of the jobs are manufacturing, research and development, and professional services in emerging sectors.
38. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry what are the pre-emptive interventions that the Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore is taking to ensure that anti-competitive mergers do not recur in the ride hailing industry in Singapore to the detriment of consumers and drivers.
39. **Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether there are accrediting requirements before a private educational institution may offer a diploma and, if so, what are the accrediting requirements; and (b) what measures are taken to ensure a minimum standard of education is provided by private tertiary education institutes situated in Singapore.
40. **Mr Desmond Choo:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) over the last three years, what is the employment and wage outcome of tertiary graduates from private education institutes (PEI); and (b) what are the efforts to strengthen the quality of PEI pedagogy to be more industry relevant.
41. **Mr Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) in the past three years, what is the number of cases of secondary school students who are absent from school for more than six months; (b) what are the reasons for their absenteeism; (c) what are the steps taken by schools in managing such situations; and (d) of these students, how many of them decided to (i) continue or (ii) discontinue their schooling.
42. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development what is the breakdown of the amount for successful payouts under the COVID-19 Support Grant.

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43. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development and Minister-in-charge for Muslim Affairs (a) what is the number of applications of asatizah for financial assistance under the Self-Employed Income Relief Scheme; (b) how many of these applications are successful; and (c) for those who are unsuccessful, whether they are able to apply for the COVID-19 Recovery Grant.
44. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development and Minister-in-charge for Muslim Affairs what are the types of assistance made available to Singaporean students who are studying Islamic studies abroad during this pandemic.
45. **Mr Shawn Huang Wei Zhong:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) in the last three years, what is the number of enforcement actions on vehicles and motorcycles with illegal modifications that resulted in excessive and unnecessary noise; (b) whether there will be a review of standards for noise pollution caused by vehicles and motorcycles; and (c) whether there will be stricter enforcement on vehicle modifications that create excessive and unnecessary noise.
46. **Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for Transport in light of the changing climatic pattern in Singapore which involves heavy rainfall from time to time which has led to the emergence of more potholes on roads, what steps will LTA take to address this issue.
47. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Transport whether helmets and lights are mandatory for bicycles and mobility devices in park connectors and, if not, whether the Government will consider making them mandatory for the safety of riders and other park connector users.
48. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Transport how many public electric-car chargers are built as of 2020.
49. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Transport apart from higher surcharges and increased rebates to promote cleaner and electric vehicles, whether the Ministry will consider an additional surcharge upon certificates of entitlement for owners purchasing their second vehicle or more.
50. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether sanctions can be imposed on companies that require nursing mothers to return to the office without provision of appropriate lactation rooms; (b) what specific measures will the Ministry take to support the implementation of Flexible Working Arrangements (FWAs) for nursing mothers; (c) whether the Work Life Grant (WLG) application deadline that closed on 18 August 2020 will be re-opened with modifications to the kind of FWAs that it will support; and (d) whether the WLG supports the set-up of lactation rooms.

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51. **Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in view of the fact that companies that have not broken any rules or regulations are placed on the watchlist for indicators like high proportion of employees from certain nationalities, whether the rules and regulations will be reviewed to cover these indicators that have given the Ministry cause for concern.
52. **Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what measures are in place to ensure skills transfer from employment pass holders to local workers to build up local capabilities; (b) how are companies currently committed to such skills transfer; (c) whether there is a timeframe for companies to ensure such skills transfer; and (d) if so, what is the timeframe.
53. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how many companies have been rejected by the Singapore Business Federation (SBF) on the usage of SGUnited Traineeship programmes; (b) whether companies are given a quota of trainees who can be hired by a company at any one time; (c) what recourse do trainees have to resolve disputes with their employers; and (d) how many complaints have been lodged with SBF in relation to disputes over the scheme.
54. **Ms Tin Pei Ling:** To ask the Minister for National Development what are the considerations when regulating the type of pets permissible in public housing estates so as to balance the different interests and needs of the residents.
55. **Mr Gan Thiam Poh:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether Ministry intends to develop the open land between Tampines Expressway and Fernvale Street; and (b) if so, what is the plan and when will the plan be carried out.
56. **Mr Don Wee:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether there are plans and measures to reduce the impact from the loss of greenery and biodiversity as a result of the deforestation of Tengah and Dover forests; and (b) why it is necessary to resort to deforestation when development of built-up areas can be intensified by constructing taller buildings.
57. **Ms Ng Ling Ling:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry collates from Town Councils and HDB on the number of blocks and units with residents reporting water seepage issues after heavy downpours; and (b) what is the average turnaround time that such water seepage issues are completely resolved.
58. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the reported number of water leakage incidents in terms of equivalent dwelling units (EDUs) or per 1,000 blocks of HDB flats for each five-year period between 2000 and 2020; and (b) whether any study has been performed to identify the causal reasons for such incidents.

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- 59. Mr Don Wee:** To ask the Minister for National Development what is the average number of residents in a subsidised HDB rental flat and whether the Ministry will consider allocating more than one rental flat, such as two adjacent flats, to bigger families.
- 60. Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the number of cases of popping tiles that have been rectified by HDB that were beyond the 15-year goodwill repair duration; and (b) under what circumstances does HDB repair these tiles beyond the 15-year goodwill repair duration.
- 61. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) in the past three years, how many applications have been received by the Community Development Councils for financial assistance for repairs of dislodged tiles and of these, how many applications are successful; and (b) whether HDB will consider, as a one-off measure, absorbing the cost for repairing dislodged tiles for flats which 15-year warranty period expired since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 62. Miss Cheryl Chan Wei Ling:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether there are considerations to incorporate small scale upgrade projects like the clothes drying rack and external electrical cabling for public rental blocks; and (b) if so, what is the implementation timeline.
- 63. Mr Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether HDB flat owners are allowed to install closed-circuit television (CCTV) cameras at their unit's main door or metal gate facing the common corridor/area; (b) in the past three years, what is the number of cases lodged with HDB by flat owners pertaining to their neighbours installing CCTV cameras at their unit's main door or metal gate; and (c) what are the actions taken for such reported cases.
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S. L.	127	Limited Liability Partnerships Act (Amendment of Fourth and Fifth Schedules) Order 2020	05 January 2021
S. L.	128	Legal Profession (Admission) (Amendment) Rules 2020	06 January 2021
S. L.	129	Legal Profession (Admission) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2020	06 January 2021
S. L.	130	Community Disputes Resolution Tribunals (Amendment) Rules 2020	06 January 2021

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S. L.	131	Employment Claims (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	132	Insolvency, Restructuring and Dissolution (Miscellaneous Amendments) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	133	Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	134	Legal Aid and Advice (Amendment) Regulations 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	135	Land Surveyors (Investigation Committees) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	136	Rules of Court (Amendment No. 5) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	137	Supreme Court (Presidential Elections) (Application for Avoidance of Election) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	138	Supreme Court of Judicature (Protection from Online Falsehoods and Manipulation) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	139	Supreme Court of Judicature (Singapore Convention on Mediation) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	140	Legal Profession (Disciplinary Tribunal) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	141	Legal Profession (Representation in Singapore International Commercial Court) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	142	Legal Profession (Law Practice Entities) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	143	Legal Profession (Regulated Individuals) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	144	Legal Profession (Modified Application of Act for International Services) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	145	Legal Profession (Solicitors' Accounts) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021

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S. L.	146	Family Justice (Amendment No. 4) Rules 2020	... 06 January 2021
S. L.	147	Auxiliary Police Forces (Amendment) Regulations 2020	... 07 January 2021
S. L.	148	Prisons (Amendment) Regulations 2020	... 07 January 2021
S. L.	149	Road Traffic (Vehicular Emissions Tax) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2020	... 07 January 2021
S. L.	150	Road Traffic (Motor Vehicle Registration and Licensing) (Amendment No. 4) Rules 2020	... 07 January 2021
S. L.	151	Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment No. 5) Rules 2020	... 07 January 2021
S. L.	152	Road Traffic (Public Service Vehicles) (Amendment No. 3) Rules 2020	... 07 January 2021
S. L.	153	Organised Crime (Amendment) Regulations 2020	... 07 January 2021
S. L.	154	Charities (Fund-raising Appeals for Local and Foreign Charitable Purposes) (Amendment) Regulations 2021	... 08 January 2021
S. L.	155	Charities (Institutions of a Public Character) (Amendment) Regulations 2021	... 08 January 2021
S. L.	156	Women's Charter (Registration of Marriages) (Amendment) Rules 2020	... 11 January 2021
S. L.	157	Income Tax (Exemption under Section 13ZA(3)) Rules 2020	... 13 January 2021
Parl.	2	Report of the Special Select Committee on Nominations for Appointment as Nominated Members of Parliament	... 14 January 2021
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Pres. Co.	12	Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Guns, Explosives and Weapons Control Bill [Bill No 44/2020]	... 22 January 2021
Pres. Co.	13	Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Multimodal Transport Bill [Bill No 42/2020]	... 22 January 2021
Pres. Co.	14	Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Statute Law Reform Bill [Bill No 45/2020]	... 22 January 2021
S. L.	158	COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) (Amendment) Regulations 2021	... 25 January 2021
S. L.	159	COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2021	... 27 January 2021
S. L.	160	COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Performances and Other Activities - Control Order) (Amendment) Regulations 2021	... 27 January 2021
