

FOURTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

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FIRST SESSION

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ORDER PAPER

TUESDAY, 2 MARCH 2021

No. 23

10.30 am

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS\*

- \*1. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Education what is the education programme on child abuse and domestic violence awareness and the channels available for primary school students to alert teachers or the authorities should they or any of their family members be in an abusive or violent relationship.
- \*2. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what is the current number of Long Term Visit Pass and Long Term Visit Pass Plus holders who are part of the workforce; and (b) how many of such pass holders are self-employed.
- \*3. **Mr Gan Thiam Poh:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) how many HDB flats have been sold under the open booking scheme since it was launched in June 2019, broken down by room types; and (b) whether HDB will consider (i) injecting fresh supplies of flats more frequently and (ii) increasing the number of flats available under open booking for interested buyers.
- \*4. **Mr Gan Thiam Poh:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) in the past five years, how many HDB flats have been resold to HDB, broken down by room type; (b) what is the reason that these flats are resold to HDB instead of in the open market; and (c) whether HDB will consider assisting these sellers by offering their flats in HDB's open booking system for interested buyers to consider.

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- \*5. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Health whether the Ministry can allow any patient regardless of prognosis to participate in the pilot for Pre-Implantation Genetic Screening (PGS) so as to increase the number of patients enrolled under the pilot study.
- \*6. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what is the average cost for participating in the pilot for Pre-Implantation Genetic Screening (PGS); and (b) whether the Ministry can consider completely subsidising these costs so as to increase the number of patients enrolled under the pilot study.
- \*7. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development and Minister-in-charge for Muslim Affairs whether he can provide an update on the Singapore Community Wakaf (SCW) and plans to support the establishment of the SCW including any legislative or regulatory changes and public awareness campaign.
- \*8. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether NParks will be taking any follow-up actions following an NParks-funded study titled “Restricted human activities shift the foraging strategies of feral pigeons (*Columba livia*) and three other commensal bird species”; and (b) if so, what are these actions.

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### ORDER OF THE DAY

1. Estimates for the financial year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 (Paper Cmd. 5 of 2021) – Committee of Supply (Progress: 1 March 2021) (*3<sup>rd</sup> Allotted Day*).

*Resumption of Debate on Question (1 March 2021)*

“That the total sum to be allocated for Head R of the Estimates be reduced by \$100.” – (Mr Murali Pillai).

[For amendments to be moved in the Committee of Supply, see Supplement No. 3 dated 26 February 2021.]

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## QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Law whether there are any plans to amend the Community Disputes Resolution Act or introduce any other legislative measures to assist in the resolution of neighbourly disputes before the Community Disputes Resolution Tribunals.
  2. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry with regard to Haw Par Villa (a) what has been the annual visitorship rate to the park in each of the past five years; (b) how does STB evaluate the tour operator's performance in site management including its key performance indicators; (c) what has been the progress of the upgrading works; (d) whether STB has worked with NHB to preserve the unique heritage of the site including acting on recommendations of the NHB-commissioned research study in 2016 and, if so, how has this been done; (e) whether there are any plans for the site in the next 10-20 years; and (f) whether the park can be gazetted as a national monument or conservation area.
  3. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development whether there has been any studies conducted on how technology and social media has enabled or exacerbated cases of domestic violence or abuse in society particularly in the context of this global pandemic.
  4. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will require employers of foreign domestic workers (FDWs) to obtain documented consent from their FDWs each time they are being deployed to a different address to care for the employers' young children or elderly people, such as through text messages or a logbook, so that disputes over illegal deployment can be more smoothly resolved.
  5. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry has conducted its study on the possibility of introducing a mandatory labelling scheme for all shark products specifying the species of the shark; (b) if so, what are the results of this study; and (c) if the study has not been conducted, what is the Ministry's timeline for conducting the study.
  6. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether the Ministry and HDB can consider making mediation before the Community Mediation Centre a mandatory measure in the resolution of neighbourly disputes between dwellers or owners of HDB flats.
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**PAPERS PRESENTED**

	<i>2021</i>		<i>Date Presented</i>
S.L.	170	Road Traffic (Electronic Road Pricing ... System) (Amendment) Rules 2021	1 March 2021
S.L.	171	MediShield Life Scheme (Amendment) ... Regulations 2021	1 March 2021

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