

FOURTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

FIRST SESSION

ORDER PAPER

MONDAY, 8 MARCH 2021

No. 27

10.00 am

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS*

- *1. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Health whether couples who have pre-implantation genetically screened embryos stored overseas can have their embryos shipped to Singapore given current travel restrictions during the pandemic.
- *2. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) in the last five years, whether there are employers repatriating injured migrant workers against their will due to high healthcare costs and, if so, how many of such instances have there been; (b) how many complaints have been received in the past five years relating to the employer's failure to furnish a letter of guarantee, thereby impeding healthcare access for migrant workers; (c) what actions have been taken against such errant employers; and (d) what steps are taken to ensure that migrant workers are educated about laws and entitlements relating to their healthcare needs and the scope of their insurance coverage in their native language.
- *3. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what education is currently provided to the employers of migrant domestic workers about duties of care and behaviour that may constitute abuse; (b) what recourse do domestic workers and bystanders have should they experience or witness abuse; and (c) what is being done to actively reduce abuse and review such frameworks for improvement.

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- *4. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) on average, how many appeals are received requesting a third HDB loan; (b) what is the share of these loans against total loans requested; and (c) what proportion of these requests have been the result of children adding their names to their parents' flats.
- *5. **Mr Leong Mun Wai:** To ask the Minister for Health whether the Ministry can publish a weekly report on (i) the number of people fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and (ii) the number of people who have taken the first dose of the vaccines for COVID-19.
- *6. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) for each year in the past three years, how many advisories has the Ministry issued to residents, telling them "not to smoke near the windows or at the balconies, as a way to minimise the amount of cigarette smoke emitted from their premises"; and (b) what percentage of advisories resulted in the issue of second-hand smoke being resolved.

* 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.

ORDERS 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: 5 March 2021) (*7th Allotted Day*).

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

2. Supply Bill [Bill No. 3/2021] – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance) – Second Reading
 3. Fourth Supplementary Supply (FY 2020) Bill [Bill No. 4/2021] – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance) – Second Reading
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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. **Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the Government can introduce centralised cleaning facilities at each hawker centre to increase hygiene standards and reduce fire hazards.
 2. **Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment what can be done to place more emphasis on civic-mindedness in the current self-return concept for trays, utensils and cutlery in hawker centres.
 3. **Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development whether more incentives and recognition can be accorded to coaches and special education professionals in Day Activity Centres so as to attract more individuals to join the profession.
 4. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will scale up existing tripartite guidelines addressing workplace sexual harassment by providing a clear definition of workplace sexual harassment including examples of such acts, to alert companies to what constitutes sexual harassment.
 5. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether she can provide an update on the pilot Household Services Scheme (HSS) that allows foreign workers to provide domestic services to households; (b) whether the pilot HSS has been considered a success; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider formalising and expanding the HSS.
 6. **Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether mandatory care-giver and bereavement leave can be given for care-givers when their aged parents or grandparents are in a terminal situation with a few weeks or months left to live.
 7. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry has reviewed the possibility of requiring dog farms and pet shops to provide information on the cause of death of licensed dogs; (b) if so, what are the results of the review; and (c) if not, when does the Ministry plan to do so.
 8. **Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth whether a programme can be introduced to incentivise local chefs to innovate and create unique local dishes to enhance Singapore's hawker heritage.
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PAPERS PRESENTED

	<i>2021</i>		<i>Date Presented</i>
S.L.	173	Central Provident Fund (MediSave Account Withdrawals) (Amendment) Regulations 2021	5 March 2021
S.L.	174	Central Provident Fund (Composition of Offences) (Amendment) Rules 2021	5 March 2021
