

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOURTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

First Session

WEDNESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2020

No. 9

12 noon

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PRESENT:

Mr SPEAKER (Mr Tan Chuan-Jin (Marine Parade)).

Mr ANG WEI NENG (West Coast).

Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Transport.

Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (East Coast).

Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Minister for Trade and Industry.

Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Transport.

Miss CHENG LI HUI (Tampines).

Mr EDWARD CHIA BING HUI (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Mr CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).

Mr ERIC CHUA (Tanjong Pagar) Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Social and Family Development.

Mr CHUA KHENG WEE LOUIS (Sengkang).

Mr DARRYL DAVID (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah), Deputy Speaker.

Ms FOO MEE HAR (West Coast).

Ms GRACE FU HAI YIEN (Yuhua), Minister for Sustainability and the Environment.

Mr GAN KIM YONG (Chua Chu Kang), Minister for Health.

Ms GAN SIOU HUANG (Marymount), Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Manpower.

Mr GAN THIAM POH (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr GERALD GIAM YEAN SONG (Aljunied).

Mr DERRICK GOH (Nee Soon).

Ms HE TING RU (Sengkang).

Mr HENG CHEE HOW (Jalan Besar), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence.

Mr HENG SWEE KEAT (East Coast), Deputy Prime Minister, Coordinating Minister for Economic Policies and Minister for Finance.

Mr SHAWN HUANG WEI ZHONG (Jurong).

Ms INDRANEE RAJAH (Tanjong Pagar), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Finance, Second Minister for National Development and Leader of the House.

Mr S ISWARAN (West Coast), Minister for Communications and Information and Minister-in-charge of Trade Relations.

Dr JANIL PUTHUCHEARY (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information and Ministry of Health and Government Whip.

Dr AMY KHOR LEAN SUAN (Hong Kah North), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment and Ministry of Transport.

Dr KOH POH KOON (Tampines), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Health.

Mr KWEK HIAN CHUAN HENRY (Kebun Baru).

Mr DESMOND LEE (West Coast), Minister for National Development and Minister-in-charge of Social Services Integration.

Mr LEE HSIEN LOONG (Ang Mo Kio), Prime Minister.

Mr LEONG MUN WAI (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr LIANG ENG HWA (Bukit Panjang).

Mr LIM BIOW CHUAN (Mountbatten).

Assoc Prof JAMUS JEROME LIM (Sengkang).

Ms SYLVIA LIM (Aljunied).

Dr LIM WEE KIAK (Sembawang).

Ms LOW YEN LING (Chua Chu Kang), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Ms MARIAM JAAFAR (Sembawang).

Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Minister for Social and Family Development, Second Minister for Health and Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs.

Dr MOHAMAD MALIKI BIN OSMAN (East Coast), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Education and Second Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Mr MOHD FAHMI BIN ALIMAN (Marine Parade).

Mr MUHAMAD FAISAL ABDUL MANAP (Aljunied).

Assoc Prof Dr MUHAMMAD FAISHAL IBRAHIM (Nee Soon), Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of National Development.

Mr MURALI PILLAI (Bukit Batok).

Ms NADIA AHMAD SAMDIN (Ang Mo Kio).

Dr NG ENG HEN (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for Defence.

Ms NG LING LING (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr LOUIS NG KOK KWANG (Nee Soon).

Miss RACHEL ONG (West Coast).

Mr ONG YE KUNG (Sembawang), Minister for Transport.

Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr LEON PERERA (Aljunied).

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Jalan Besar).

Ms HAZEL POA (Non-Constituency Member).

Ms POH LI SAN (Sembawang).

Mr PRITAM SINGH (Aljunied), Leader of the Opposition.

Ms RAEESAH KHAN (Sengkang).

Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong), Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Health.

Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr SEAH KIAN PENG (Marine Parade).

Mr K SHANMUGAM (Nee Soon), Minister for Home Affairs and Minister for Law.

Mr SHARAEL TAHA (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information and Ministry of National Development and Deputy Government Whip.

Mr SITOY YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Ms HANY SOH (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

Ms SUN XUELING (Punggol West), Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Social and Family Development.

Mr ALVIN TAN (Tanjong Pagar), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Ms CARRIE TAN (Nee Soon).

Mr DENNIS TAN LIP FONG (Hougang).

Mr DESMOND TAN (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment.

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast), Deputy Speaker.

Mr TAN KIAT HOW (East Coast), Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office and Ministry of National Development.

Dr TAN SEE LENG (Marine Parade), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Manpower and Second Minister for Trade and Industry.

Dr TAN WU MENG (Jurong).

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Pioneer).

Mr TEO CHEE HEAN (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Senior Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security.

Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Jalan Besar), Minister for Manpower and Second Minister for Home Affairs.

Mr THARMAN SHANMUGARATNAM (Jurong), Senior Minister and Coordinating Minister for Social Policies.

Ms TIN PEI LING (MacPherson).

Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (Marine Parade), Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Second Minister for Law.

Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).

Dr VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Dr WAN RIZAL (Jalan Besar).

Mr DON WEE (Chua Chu Kang).

Mr LAWRENCE WONG (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Minister for Education and Second Minister for Finance.

Mr XIE YAO QUAN (Jurong).

Mr ALEX YAM ZIMING (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

Ms YEO WAN LING (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr YIP HON WENG (Yio Chu Kang).

Mr MELVIN YONG YIK CHYE (Radin Mas).

Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Manpower and Deputy Leader of the House.

Mr ZHULKARNAIN ABDUL RAHIM (Chua Chu Kang).

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- 1 Papers presented to Parliament and received by the Clerk of Parliament pursuant to Standing Order No. 31 (Presentation of Papers) and ordered to lie upon the Table:
- 1.1 Annual Report of the Infocomm Media Development Authority 2019/2020 – Presented on 7 October 2020 (S. 48 of 2020).
 - 1.2 Annual Report of the National Library Board 2019/2020 – Presented on 7 October 2020 (S. 49 of 2020).
 - 1.3 United Nations (Sanctions – Mali) Regulations 2020 – Presented on 7 October 2020 (S. L. 67 of 2020).
 - 1.4 CareShield Life and Long-Term Care (CSHL Scheme) Regulations 2020 – Presented on 7 October 2020 (S. L. 68 of 2020).
 - 1.5 CareShield Life and Long-Term Care (Long-Term Care Support Fund – Prescribed Public Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 – Presented on 7 October 2020 (S. L. 69 of 2020).
 - 1.6 CareShield Life and Long-Term Care (Supplement Scheme) Regulations 2020 – Presented on 7 October 2020 (S. L. 70 of 2020).
 - 1.7 Employment of Foreign Manpower (Work Passes) (Amendment No. 4) Regulations 2020 – Presented on 7 October 2020 (S. L. 71 of 2020).
 - 1.8 Corrigendum to Government Technology Agency of Singapore Annual Report 2019/2020 – Presented on 8 October 2020 (S. 50 of 2020).
 - 1.9 Presidential Council for Minority Rights Annual Report for the period from 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020 – Presented on 9 October 2020 (Cmd. 4 of 2020).
 - 1.10 Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore Annual Report 2019/2020 – Presented on 13 October 2020 (S. 51 of 2020).
 - 1.11 Singapore Medical Council Annual Report 2019 – Presented on 14 October 2020 (S. 52 of 2020).
 - 1.12 Singapore Nursing Board Annual Report 2019 – Presented on 14 October 2020 (S. 53 of 2020).
 - 1.13 Singapore Dental Council Annual Report 2019 – Presented on 14 October 2020 (S. 54 of 2020).
 - 1.14 Singapore Pharmacy Council Annual Report 2019 – Presented on 14 October 2020 (S. 55 of 2020).
 - 1.15 Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners Board Annual Report 2019 – Presented on 14 October 2020 (S. 56 of 2020).

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- 2 17 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 3 Third Supplementary Supply and Budget Adjustments (FY 2020) Bill – "to make supplementary provision out of the Consolidated Fund to meet additional expenditure for the financial year 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021, and to reduce certain appropriations for that financial year due to exigencies" – President's recommendation signified and Bill presented by the Second Minister for Finance (Ms Indranee Rajah); read the first time; to be read a second time immediately after the conclusion of proceedings on the Third Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for FY2020/21 and to be printed. [Bill No. 40/2020].
- 4 Overview of Government's Strategy to Emerge Stronger from the COVID-19 Pandemic – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance) – Question again proposed on resumption of Debate, "That the Ministerial Statement made by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance on the Overview of Government's Strategy to Emerge Stronger from the COVID-19 Pandemic be considered by Parliament."; Debate resumed.
- 5 Adjournment of Debate – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That the debate be now adjourned.". Debate to be resumed Tomorrow.
- 6 Adjournment to a Later Date – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question put, Resolved, "That at its rising today, Parliament do stand adjourned to 12 noon tomorrow.".
- 7 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That Parliament do now adjourn."; Debate arising.

And the Question having been proposed at 6.07 pm and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned Parliament without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Adjourned at 6.37 pm

TAN CHUAN-JIN,
Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Mr Speaker will take the Chair again at 12 noon on Thursday, 15 October 2020.
