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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER*

- *1. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health regarding the new Integrated Shield Plan rider requirements (a) whether there will be an absolute cap on patients' out-of-pocket costs; (b) whether insurers can retain older policies with higher coverage; and (c) what measures will be implemented to prevent insurers from unilaterally reducing coverage for ageing policyholders on existing plans.
- *2. Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health in view of the Ministry's move to curb rising healthcare insurance premiums by April 2026, how will families facing hefty medical bills be supported if their out-of-pocket expenses for co-payments become unaffordable.
- *3. Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health regarding the new Integrated Shield Plan rider (a) whether the policy design anticipates that policyholders will continue to access private healthcare despite higher cost-sharing; (b) if so, what is the policy basis; and (c) what contingency measures have been developed to support restructured hospitals should there be increased patient volume due to shifts from private to public healthcare.

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- *4. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health given that the Monetary Authority of Singapore primarily regulates solvency, whether the Ministry intends to establish a dual-regulation framework to oversee the (i) healthcare outcomes (ii) panel selection criteria and (iii) loss-ratio efficiency of private insurers to ensure they align with national health goals.
- *5. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Government assesses that Temasek's and GIC's risk-adjusted returns relative to appropriate global benchmarks remain competitive; and (b) how their mandates should evolve to balance capital preservation with the need for higher real returns ahead.
- *6. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the investment returns of GIC and Temasek Holdings have underperformed the Government's expectation; (b) if so, whether there is an impact on the Government's Net Investment Returns Contribution to the Budget; and (c) what steps have been taken to ensure that the investment entities have incentives that are aligned to achieve better performance.
- *7. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Government has assessed the merits of a low-cost passive index-tracking investment approach for its investments; (b) whether the Government has compared this to GIC and Temasek Holdings' active and more costly investment management approaches; and (c) if so, what are the considerations in deciding to give GIC and Temasek Holdings the investment mandates to choose the latter approach.
- *8. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Government is satisfied with the long-term investment performances of GIC, Temasek and MAS when measured against the relevant risk-adjusted global benchmarks; and (b) whether the Government sees the need to review the capital allocation and investment risks framework of GIC, Temasek and MAS.
- *9. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the difference between GIC's investment returns and the interest payments made by the Government to the CPF Board on Special Singapore Government Securities has narrowed in tandem with the underperformance of GIC relative to other major sovereign wealth funds; and (b) if so, how will this impact the Government's fiscal position or rate of reserves accumulation.
- *10. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Government is aware if GIC uses risk-adjusted performance metrics such as the Sharpe ratio in assessing portfolio performance relative to its reference portfolio; and (b) if so, whether a description of such metrics can be provided at a high level.
- *11. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) in view of the fragmenting global geopolitical environment and its associated investment risks, whether the Government sees the need to review the current investment mandates of both GIC and Temasek; and (b) whether the emerging investment landscape is assessed to be conducive to sustaining a steady Net Investment Returns Contribution in the next decade.

- *12. Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Government is aware of the (i) mandates (ii) workforce sizes and (iii) manpower cost benchmarks for each new entity after Temasek's planned 2026 restructuring; (b) if so, what are they; (c) whether the Ministry conducted assessments on the appropriateness of workforce size and manpower costs vis-à-vis investment performance, risk management and organisational nimbleness; and (d) if so, what are the results.
- *13. Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether there are circumstances under which Temasek Holdings is expected to accept lower financial returns when pursuing strategic or developmental outcomes under the investment mandates given by the Government; and (b) if so, how are such expectations articulated and governed, given that the Government does not direct or influence individual investment decisions made by Temasek Holdings.
- *14. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Government is aware if Temasek has a reference portfolio; (b) if so, what this is; and (c) if not, how does the fund benchmark its investment performance.
- *15. Mr Ng Chee Meng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) how many residential unit fires were there in 2025 and how does this compare to 2024; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider stepping up education, enforcement and conduct more regular inspection on buildings especially in older housing estates for compliance to fire safety codes.
- *16. Mr Alex Yam Ziming:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in light of the recent tragic high-rise fire in Tai Po, Hong Kong (a) whether the Government will be reviewing Singapore's building, fire and construction safety codes to ensure they remain robust for high-density developments; and (b) what further measures are being taken to strengthen compliance, inspection and enforcement so as to reassure residents and building users.
- *17. Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Government's review of the Building Maintenance and Strata Management Act 2004 will incorporate learnings from the Wang Fuk Court fire in Tai Po, Hong Kong; and (b) if not, why not.
- *18. Ms Lee Hui Ying:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry or Animal and Veterinary Service (AVS) works with Animal Welfare Groups (AWGs) on the operations of the Trap-Neuter-Rehome/Release-Manage programme; and (b) if so, whether consultations take place between the AWGs and AVS before every trapping operation.
- *19. Mr Alex Yam Ziming:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) whether the Ministry will engage the Singapore National Olympic Council to review the Major Games Award Programme (MAP) to consider recognising SEA Games Silver and Bronze medallists to motivate and retain emerging athletes; and (b) whether the Ministry can support alternative non-monetary or tiered forms of recognition beyond the MAP, taking into account the SEA Games' biennial nature and competitive standards.
- *20. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) whether the Government is aware of when was the last review of the Major Games Award Programme; (b) if so, when was it; and (c) whether the Ministry will work with the Singapore National Olympic Council to update cash incentives under the Programme given inflation, and to provide incentives for SEA Games Silver and Bronze medallists.

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- *21. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth for each of the last three years (a) what was the sum total of direct payments to athletes, including CPF top-ups, under the spexScholarship, spexPotential, spexTAG, spexGLOW and spexEducation schemes; (b) how many athletes received these payments; and (c) what was the median annual cash payment received by each athlete.
- *22. Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) how the Government reviews and enhances the Sports Excellence awards to ensure that they sufficiently support elite athletes' training, welfare and long-term development; and (b) whether adjustments are needed to better enable Singapore athletes to achieve sustained success and international recognition in world sports.
- *23. Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) what is the breakdown of funding allocated to national athletes competing in the SEA Games 2025 across different sports; and (b) how does this compare to funding levels over the past five years.
- *24. Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth in light of the strong performance and public support demonstrated by the national football team in qualifying for the Asian Cup, whether the Ministry will consider expanding financial support and training infrastructure for football and other team sports that show similar momentum.
- *25. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how do the revised targets for fibre and protein productions by 2035 compare to the "30 by 30" targets in terms of total local food production volume; and (b) how will the Ministry ensure that these revised targets are adequate, sustainable and resilient to current and future challenges.
- *26. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how will the Singapore Food Agency support and transition farms that had invested heavily in technology to meet the original broad "30 by 30" food sustainability target, but whose produce is less aligned with the new, specific protein and fibre targets for 2035; and (b) what enhanced grants or offtake schemes are available to assist such farms.
- *27. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment why some types of vegetables have been excluded from the updated definition of "fibre" under the new targets for local fibre and protein production, which replaced the original "30 by 30" farming goals.
- *28. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment given that the "30 by 30" has been revised to a new target for fibre and protein by 2035 (a) whether there are any food types that have been excluded in the new 2035 target; (b) if so, why; and (c) whether the new targets are intended to be aspirational or realistically achievable.
- *29. Mr Xie Yao Quan:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development following the findings of the Ministry's Supporting Lower-Income Households Trends Report 2025, whether the Ministry has further strategies to help more adults in ComLink+ families secure and stay in good jobs.
- *30. Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what preparatory steps are required before Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) can be installed in newly developed estates such as Tengah; (b) what is the estimated timeline for AED installation in Tengah estate, and how it compares with other HDB precincts; and (c) what interim measures are in place to support emergency preparedness in new estates pending AED deployment.

- *31. Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will consider implementing an outpatient primary care insurance scheme for migrant domestic workers, similar to the Primary Care Plan (PCP) for Construction, Marine and Process workers, to strengthen timely access to primary care whilst providing employers with greater cost predictability.
- *32. Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) what further measures, if any, will the Ministry be taking to support small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) adapt to the growing global emphasis on sustainability and green technologies; and (b) what further plans does the Ministry have, if any, to help these SMEs remain competitive in international markets while meeting environmental standards.
- *33. Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) how quickly are suspected mule activities flagged once suspicious transactions occur; (b) how do Government agencies, banks and telecommunications companies coordinate responses; and (c) whether real-time alerts of such activities or automated freezes are being expanded.
- *34. Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) over the past two years, how many individuals suspected of money mule activities have had access to phone lines, bank accounts or Singpass restricted; (b) how effective have these restrictions been in preventing reoffending; and (c) how long do such restrictions typically remain in place.
- *35. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health given the push for community care (a) whether the Ministry will incorporate cross-disciplinary allied health modules into the nursing curriculum to support nurses' roles beyond inpatient settings; and (b) whether similar holistic care perspectives can be included in the training of family and rehabilitation physicians to enhance upstream inter-professional collaboration.
- *36. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what was the total amount of Opportunity Fund grants disbursed to schools in the last three years; (b) what percentage of eligible students from lower-income households have utilised this fund to participate in enrichment programmes and overseas trips; and (c) what specific measures are in place to ensure that all eligible students are aware of and can apply for the fund.
- *37. Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) in view of rising rate of packaging waste, how does NEA structure its Public Waste Collector tenders to ensure sufficient green and blue recycling bins are provided within each service area; and (b) whether there are built-in mechanisms for Town Councils to request for additional bins to better match the locality's needs.
- *38. Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether EnterpriseSG tracks the churn and displacement of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in heartland malls after major acquisitions such as The Clementi Mall; (b) what indicators are used to monitor SMEs' sustainability in such malls; and (c) what targeted interventions are available where there is significant turnover of SMEs due to higher rents or longer lease terms following such acquisition.
- *39. Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry regarding the acquisition of The Clementi Mall by a property firm which owns Grantral Mall@Clementi, (a) whether the Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore (CCS) has assessed the competition effects on retail tenant mix and leasing terms in the Clementi catchment; and (b) whether the Ministry will issue guidance on when such mall acquisitions shall be notified to CCS for competition review.

- *40. Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry in view of the acquisition of The Clementi Mall by a property firm which also owns Grantral Mall@Clementi (a) whether the Ministry has assessed how a concentrated tenant mix from one overseas market in heartland malls may affect inclusion and social cohesion; and (b) what levers are available to engage owners to support a diverse mix and local small and medium enterprises.
- *41. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore is evaluating the reported potential CapitaLand–Mapletree merger and will mandate a formal Phase 1 or Phase 2 review; (b) if so, how will the relevant market be defined to ensure accurate assessment; and (c) whether additional safeguards to protect SME tenants from possible abuse of dominant position in lease renewals will be considered.
- *42. Mr Vikram Nair:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) whether the Ministry has completed its review of the Australian government’s move to ban social media access for individuals under the age of 16 through legislation; and (b) if so, whether the Ministry will consider introducing similar legislation.
- *43. Ms Diana Pang Li Yen:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether an assessment has been made of how persons with special needs utilise SkillsFuture credits, including the proportion who are unable to do so due to cognitive, physical or accessibility barriers; and (b) whether alternative uses or conversions will be considered for such persons unable to access or utilise approved training programmes.
- *44. Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Minister for Education in view of the smartphone ban in secondary schools from 2026 (a) how will schools address parents’ concerns about the need for emergency communication with their children; and (b) how will the Ministry ensure that teachers are not burdened with the additional workload to check and enforce the new rules that may compromise classroom teaching time.
- *45. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will consider expanding the eligibility criteria for the Strategic Economic Priorities (SEP) bonus under the Complementarity Assessment Framework (COMPASS) for employment pass applications, by granting bonus points to multi-national companies who demonstrate strong investment in local professionals, managers and executives (PMEs) by expanding access to overseas work stints and grooming local PMEs to take on management positions.
- *46. Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information whether (a) film classification and censorship measures apply to short-form reel-style mini movies and series such as those popular on social media platforms; and (b) if not, what measures will the Ministry take to ensure the suitability and safety of such short-form reel-style mini movies and series for a general audience.
- *47. Mr Alex Yeo:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry in view of the recent closure of a health product and foot reflexology business (a) whether the Ministry has plans to strengthen consumer protection measures for consumers who purchase high value packages from businesses that have knowledge that they are or will become insolvent; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider taking further action against the executives or directors of such companies.
- *48. Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) for each of the last three years, what is the number of appeals on Silver Support Scheme that have been received by the Ministry; (b) what are the common appeal requests; and (c) whether there is a need to initiate a publicity effort to explain the intention and rationale for this scheme.

- *49. Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what interim noise mitigation measures are in place near the Tampines Expressway and the Loyang Flyover construction work sites; (b) how is post-completion noise impact of such sites assessed; and (c) whether additional safeguards will be implemented to protect residents' sleep, health and children's learning environment in the interim.
- *50. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry has assessed if the trial to place netting on air-conditioner ledges on only 35 flats in Punggol and Toa Payoh can yield robust findings on pigeon nesting behaviour; (b) what criteria was used when selecting these estates; (c) whether other estates with persistent pigeon issues were offered to participate in the trial; and (d) if not, why not.
- *51. Ms Sylvia Lim:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in light of recent news of an Indonesian trafficking ring transferring babies to Singapore (a) how many approved adoptions are being reviewed further; (b) how is the Ministry ensuring that affected families can obtain clarity and resolution expeditiously; and (c) whether the Ministry is considering providing interim assistance to these families, particularly where the adoptees have not obtained Singapore Citizenship.
- *52. Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether the Government has information on (a) the provisions made in public and private hospitals to (i) detect the transmission of infectious airborne diseases within the hospital and (ii) ensure that infected patients are warded separately; and (b) the sufficiency of beds to account for sudden spikes in contagious diseases, especially among the elderly.
- *53. Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs with regard to the new No-Boarding Directives to commence from 30 January 2026 (a) whether any appeal mechanism will be made available to travellers who wish to enter Singapore; and (b) whether ICA has any plans to implement adapted schemes at our sea and land checkpoints.
- *54. Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether the Animal and Veterinary Service (AVS) will consider (i) mandatory CCTV recordings in areas where pets are handled or housed in pet grooming facilities and (ii) requiring licensed operators to retain such footages for investigation purposes, to support accountability and transparency.
- *55. Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what measures are being taken to strengthen enforcement against pet businesses, including pet grooming facilities, that fail to comply with the Animals and Birds Act (ABA) and Code of Animal Welfare; and (b) whether under the review of the ABA, serious negligence by pet businesses causing animal harm or death may result in enhanced penalties or longer licence suspensions.
- *56. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for Manpower how are employees whose organisations enforce work in office arrangements safeguarded under fair and progressive employment practices, particularly in relation to Flexible Work Arrangements (FWAs).
- *57. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Government has any information or data on whether suing for damages is a common approach to recoup losses suffered by state investment entities; and (b) if so, what (i) criteria (ii) loss quantum and (iii) time period determines whether and when to commence lawsuits.

- *58. Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) in the last 10 years, how many HDB blocks did not garner more than 75% of eligible Singapore Citizen household votes for the Home Improvement Programme; (b) of these, how many blocks were allowed to revote; and (c) what was the outcome of each revote.
- *59. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what is the cumulative number of applicants for the Home Caregiving Grant (HCG) to date; (b) what are the top three conditions cared for by HCG applicants; and (c) what is the number of applicants broken down by age group of (i) 30 to 39 (ii) 40 to 49 (iii) 50 to 59 (iv) 60 to 69 and (v) 70 years and above.
- *60. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in light of reports that preschool absenteeism remains persistent among children from lower-income families despite existing subsidies (a) what has been identified by the Ministry as the key non-financial barriers to regular preschool attendance; and (b) how is the Ministry addressing these barriers to ensure children are not disadvantaged from the start of their educational journey.
- *61. Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Acting Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs (a) what is the rationale for not retaining the existing Masjid Al-Firdaus in Choa Chu Kang alongside the new mosque in Tengah; and (b) how does MUIS intend to work with relevant agencies to ensure that SAF and Home Team servicemen and foreign workers will be able to access the new mosque in Tengah easily to meet their prayer needs.
- *62. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Acting Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs (a) what considerations led to the decision to close and demolish Masjid Al-Firdaus after 63 years of service; (b) whether the Ministry had assessed alternatives to redevelopment plans in the area; and (c) how will the mosque's heritage and its role in the community be meaningfully preserved beyond retaining its name.
- *63. Mr Darryl David:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether there are any plans to include public housing options in the future development of Pulau Brani.
- *64. Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether Workforce Singapore (WSG) has conducted checks on digital bank GXS' recent retrenchment activities to ensure that the GRaduate Industry Traineeships (GRIT) programme roles are not similar to those of impacted workers; and (b) whether WSG will consider GXS' suitability as a host organisation for the GRIT programme arising from these checks, if any.
- *65. Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Minister for Education what extra steps is the Ministry taking to reduce non-teaching workload for teachers, including administrative duties, co-curricular commitments, lesson planning and parent-communications, so that teachers may devote a greater portion of their time to direct teaching and student interaction.
- *66. Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Public Services and Minister for Defence (a) whether the Advisory Council on Community Relations in Defence (ACCORD) has any plans to provide further support to employers in creating National Service-friendly workplace environments, particularly for small and medium enterprises (SME); and (b) whether there are any plans to expand other recognition programs to encourage more SME businesses to actively support National Servicemen and their families.

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- *67. Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information whether there are any plans for a centralised SGVoucher digital wallet, such as the GovWallet feature on the LifeSG app, for future disbursements of Government vouchers to improve ease of accessibility, instead of having different links to the vouchers.
- *68. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information following the declassification of the Albatross Files, what consideration has the Ministry given to future declassification policy, including the possible introduction of a formal mechanism by which historians and other researchers may nominate documents for review for declassification.
- *69. Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) in relation to construction noise near residential estates, how is compliance with noise thresholds enforced and how frequently is it monitored; (b) how are prolonged duration and cumulative exposure to such noise factored into enforcement measures; and (c) whether noise thresholds will be reviewed, including the use of psychoacoustic factors such as sharpness and roughness of sound.
- *70. Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether there are plans to further increase the number of licensed allied health professionals (AHPs) regulated by the Allied Health Professions Council beyond the current growth trend; (b) if so, what are the projected numbers for the next five years; and (c) whether there are plans to expand the categories of AHPs regulated by the Council.
- *71. Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) how many foreigners with valid In-Principle Approvals (IPA) were denied entry in 2025; (b) what were the primary reasons for these denials; and (c) with the implementation of the No-Boarding Directive in 2026, what measures will be in place to inform prospective employers of these denials and facilitate appeals.
- *72. Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance given Singapore's rapid energy transition efforts and rising electricity demand from AI adoption, data centres, advanced semiconductor and high-performance computing activities, as well as growing EV consumer demand, whether the Government will consider establishing a Ministry for Energy to coordinate long-term and operational energy needs, decarbonisation pathways, grid resilience and international energy negotiations.
- *73. Mr Xie Yao Quan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport regarding the accident involving two public buses along Jurong West Avenue 1 on 14 December 2025 (a) whether all persons injured and hospitalised have been discharged; (b) what financial support will be provided to them; and (c) when do the authorities and operators expect to complete their investigation into the accident.
- *74. Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport in view of the new cross-border arrangements for ride-hailing and e-hailing vehicles between Singapore and Malaysia, what are the measures to address concerns by Singaporean taxi and private hire vehicle drivers regarding intensified competition from Malaysian taxis offering cheaper fares due to lower operating costs, and empty return trips.
- *75. Mr Ng Chee Meng:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in relation to the two fatal fall-from-height incidents reported during the construction of the Jurong Region Line (a) what safety lapses or non-compliance were identified; and (b) whether the Government has further measures planned to strengthen fall-prevention controls and supervision for work at height to prevent similar incidents across the Jurong Region Line.

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- *76. Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) in 2025, how many platform workers born before 1 January 1995 have opted in to make CPF contributions; (b) whether the reasons for not opting in are recorded; and (c) if so, what are the top three reasons.
- *77. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry whether the Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore has recourse against companies that do not abide by its directions for mergers that are deemed to be anti-competitive and the maximum penalties that may be imposed in such cases.
- *78. Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry will consider incorporating acoustic insulation or soundproofing options into the Home Improvement Programme for older flats affected by chronic external noise; and (b) if so, how such measures can be targeted at households most impacted.
- *79. Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) what measures are in place to ensure Singpass accounts are linked to valid mobile phone numbers; and (b) whether the Government will consider setting up a platform for telecommunication providers to update deregistered phone numbers for organisations to verify against.
- *80. Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health in the past year, what are the average durations that patients have to wait for an appointment with (i) diagnostic radiographers (ii) occupational therapists (iii) physiotherapists (iv) radiation therapists and (v) speech-language therapists in public hospitals, respectively.
- *81. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth in the past three years (a) how many complaints has the office of the Commissioner of Charities received of charities that have failed to comply with governance requirements under the Code of Governance for Charities and Institutions of the Public Character; and (b) of these charities, how many were taken to task.
- *82. Ms Lee Hui Ying:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development what are the Early Childhood Development Agency's considerations to determine whether a preschool remains operational if there have been reports of child mismanagement or abuse within the preschool.
- *83. Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Law in view of the resolutions passed at the recent Law Society's extraordinary general meeting (EGM) on 22 December 2025, whether the Ministry considers any amendments to the Legal Profession Act 1966 necessary.
- *84. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Education in light of the declassification of the Albatross Files (a) what amendments are expected to be made to the history and social studies syllabuses in schools; and (b) how the Government's decision-making process on declassifying the Albatross Files will be explained in the curricula, including its choice to declassify them only 60 years after the event.
- *85. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) in the past three years, how many employers were sanctioned for submitting fictitious recruitment records to justify Employment Pass applications; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider revoking the work passes of foreign hiring managers found complicit in such fraudulent practices.

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- *86. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in light of recent announcements to expand and strengthen Singapore's social service workforce, including enhanced study awards and training pathways, how will the Ministry assess whether these measures are translating into improved service capacity and accessibility on the ground, particularly for mental health and family support services.
- *87. Ms Diana Pang Li Yen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether targeted policy exceptions can be introduced for older divorcees whose HDB sale proceeds are credited into CPF Retirement Accounts, leaving insufficient Ordinary Account funds to buy another home, following a court-ordered sale of their matrimonial flat, particularly where the divorce has not been initiated by them.
- *88. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport regarding residents' feedback on disamenities arising from the current bus depot construction site at the forested area between Tampines Road and Buangkok East Drive since the beginning of work (a) what specific measures have been taken to address the concerns raised, including requests to relocate the bus depot; and (b) what further measures will be taken to eliminate or mitigate these amenities.
- *89. Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport regarding the electric public bus fleets from a Chinese manufacturer (a) how does the Land Transport Authority (LTA) independently ensure that (i) the remote controls have been deactivated and (ii) vehicle maintenance and performance is optimised in the absence of over-the-air updates; and (b) what measures and resources have been allocated to boost the cyber security of such buses.
- *90. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport in view of the growing adoption of electric vehicles in Singapore, including the transition to electric buses, what safeguards, if any, are put in place before any over-the-air updates by the various manufacturers are sent to these electric vehicles.
- *91. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) how are preschool operators held accountable when child abuse incidents arise from deployment of staff who is unqualified for child-minding duties; (b) what penalties or corrective actions will apply for such cases; (c) whether the Ministry will review the adequacy of current safeguards in preschools; and (d) if so, when will findings of such a review be published.
- *92. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in view of the findings from the Supporting Lower-Income Households Trends Report for 2025, what plans does the Ministry have to improve the employment outcomes for lower-income families, if any.
- *93. Mr Darryl David:** To ask the Minister for Education what types of background safeguarding checks are done for all educators and non-teaching staff who work in all Government schools including primary, secondary and post-secondary schools.
- *94. Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what are the major reasons for the sharp decline in the number of dengue cases reported in 2025; and (b) when will the Project Wolbachia trial be extended to all the towns in Singapore.
- *95. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment regarding the early termination of Timbre's tenancy for One Punggol Hawker Centre (a) what were the reasons for the early termination of tenancy; and (b) whether NEA will consider directly managing the Hawker Centre.

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- *96. Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Education how many children have not successfully secured a placement for their Primary 1 education in 2026 and what are the reasons so.
- *97. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for National Development given the rising incidence of Personal Mobility Device battery fires in residential settings, whether the Government will consider piloting fire-rated outdoor charging cabinets in HDB void decks or multi-storey car parks, similar to facilities deployed in New York City and Taiwan, with subsidised electricity rates to incentivise residents to charge devices in these safer communal facilities.
- *98. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether more needs to be done to protect employees and whistleblowers during workplace bullying investigations within organisations; and (b) if so, what additional measures are being considered.
- *99. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry has assessed or intends to assess if "ghost jobs", referring to job postings that do not exist or that companies do not intend to fill immediately, is a contributing factor in lowering job mobility.
- *100. Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what are the protocols for teachers when students disclose mental health challenges but refuse parental or counsellor involvement, particularly regarding how to balance a student's right to confidentiality with safety obligations; and (b) what specific training or legal protection is provided to teachers to help them navigate these ethical dilemmas without damaging student-teacher trust.
- *101. Mr Darryl David:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development what kinds of background safeguarding checks are done by the Ministry or its agencies for all school educators and non-teaching staff who work in kindergartens, preschools and other early childhood education centres.
- *102. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how does the EatWise SG initiative complement other programmes, such as Healthier SG and Age Well SG; (b) how can members of the public find out more or participate in the initiative; and (c) which community care providers have been trained to recognise early signs of malnutrition and provide basic support under this initiative.
- *103. Mr Ng Chee Meng:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport from 2023 to 2025, what is the number of personal mobility aids (PMA), personal mobility devices (PMD) or power-assisted bicycles (PAB) related incidents on (i) pedestrian walkways (ii) shared pathways and (iii) the roads that caused grievous injuries.
- *104. Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) in 2025, how many cases did HDB receive regarding condensation and mould on walls or ceilings arising from neighbours' continuous air conditioning use; and (b) whether HDB will consider requiring flat owners to undertake wall or ceiling enhancements as part of preventive maintenance obligations.

* 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. Acting Minister for Transport:

Land Transport and Related Matters Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. Public Sector (Governance) (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 22/2025] – (Minister for Digital Development and Information) – Second Reading.

[For amendments on the Bill, see Supplement No. 3 dated 12 January 2026.]

2. Health Information Bill [Bill No. 20/2025] – (Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health) – Second Reading.

[For amendments on the Bill, see Supplement No. 3 dated 12 January 2026.]

3. National Council of Social Service (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 21/2025] – (Minister for Social and Family Development) – Second Reading.

[For amendments on the Bill, see Supplement No. 3 dated 12 January 2026.]

4. Singapore Sports Council (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 19/2025] – (Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth) – Second Reading.

[For amendments on the Bill, see Supplement No. 3 dated 12 January 2026.]

MEMORANDUM

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

Mr Low Wu Yang Andre : Fire Safety in our Homes.
(Non-Constituency Member)

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. Ms Joan Pereira: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance what is the Government's assessment as to whether enhancements to the process for linking and delinking recycled mobile phone numbers to bank accounts for PayNow purposes are needed.

2. Mr Alex Yam Ziming: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether political office holders' salaries will be reviewed soon, since the last scheduled review in 2023 was deferred.

3. Mr Shawn Loh: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance with the recent restructuring of Temasek Holdings (a) what are the specific mandates and returns targets or benchmarks for the new entities; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider publishing data on relative investment returns and investment costs regularly.

4. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what is the Government's assessment as to whether GIC's Reference Portfolio remains appropriate in reflecting its long-term risk posture and mandate; and (b) what other metrics does the Government consider when evaluating GIC's investment performance, apart from the primary metric of the rolling 20-year real rate of return.
5. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Government has information on how senior management incentives at Temasek Holdings and GIC are structured to balance (i) long-term value creation (ii) prudent risk-taking and (iii) capital preservation in accordance with the investment mandates given by the Government.
6. **Ms Lee Hui Ying:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether there has been an annual tax collected on tobacco product sales over the last three years; and (b) if so, what is the rate of increase over the years.
7. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) what is the Government's assessment of trade and tourism opportunities for Singapore in Timor Leste, following its accession to ASEAN in October 2025; and (b) what are the Government's plans to boost Singapore's trade and tourism with Timor Leste.
8. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) why digital Singapore-based warehouse receipts remain underutilised for financing critical minerals despite the 2021 Electronic Transactions Act (ETA) amendments; (b) whether the Ministry will operationalise section 16Q of the ETA to accredit trusted issuers; and (c) how does Singapore's framework for metal warrant financing compare to systems already operational in Dubai and the UK.
9. **Ms Sylvia Lim:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry how many court applications under the Consumer Protection (Fair Trading) Act has the Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore filed against suppliers for engaging in unfair practices over the last two years.
10. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the Ministry can provide statistics on the country of origin of retail shops operating in Singapore; and (b) what measures are in place to support local businesses competing against overseas chains with significant financial backing that may drive up rents and associated costs.
11. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether the Ministry will establish a Fire Victim Support Unit to provide immediate psychological first aid and long-term counselling for affected residents of HDB fires suffering psychological trauma; and (b) whether the Ministry will collaborate to host community engagement sessions in fire-affected precincts to strengthen psychological resilience and overcome shared trauma.
12. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in light of the recent tragic fire in Tai Po, Hong Kong (a) whether the Government will be reviewing existing fire safety measures and industry practices in the repair and renovations of external walls of high-rise buildings; and (b) whether there are continual inspection regimes to assess the fire safety risks of external features and materials erected or attached to high-rise building.

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13. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what are the existing regulations or limits governing siren noise levels for emergency vehicles; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider setting or reviewing such limits to ensure that sirens are calibrated solely to effectively alert other road users while minimising noise impact, especially in residential areas.
14. **Ms Diana Pang Li Yen:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what fire safety safeguards are in place for cases of severe hoarding in high-rise public housing; (b) whether such cases pose heightened evacuation or firefighting risks to neighbouring residents; and (c) whether clear statutory thresholds exist or will be introduced for compulsory clearance by the authorities or the town council where fire or public safety risks arise.
15. **Ms Diana Pang Li Yen:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs whether the common law principle of the "agony of the moment" defence will be codified in the Penal Code 1871 for negligent driving prosecutions of motorists who have little or no time to react to sudden and unforeseeable pedestrian or cyclist actions.
16. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Public Services and Minister for Defence (a) what percentage of National Servicemen currently diagnosed with mental health conditions received their first diagnosis (i) before enlistment and (ii) during their National Service; and (b) how do these percentages compare to those from 10 years ago.
17. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) over the past five years, whether the Ministry has assessed out-of-pocket costs faced by heart patients on lifelong medication; (b) how do cost pressures affect long-term treatment compliance; and (c) whether additional subsidies or financing support are being considered.
18. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) over the past five years, what structured follow-up care has been provided to patients after hospitalisation for heart attacks; (b) how adherence to medication and lifestyle changes is monitored post-discharge; and (c) whether community-based cardiac rehabilitation programmes will be expanded.
19. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) over the past five years, whether the Ministry has identified gaps in early detection of heart disease among working-age adults; (b) how cardiovascular screening uptake differs by income and occupation; and (c) whether targeted or subsidised screening will be expanded for higher-risk groups.
20. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health what specific indicators of sustainability in private health insurance premiums and claim levels were used in formulating the new design requirements for Integrated Shield Plan riders that take effect on 1 April 2026.
21. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry has modelled changes in out-of-pocket spending for typical hospital cases under the new Integrated Shield Plan rider design as compared to the current design; and (b) if so, what are the projected figures.

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22. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether the Health Promotion Board (HPB), together with MOE, conducts periodic audits of canteen vendor compliance with the Healthy Meals in Schools Programme guidelines; (b) if so, what is the (i) audit frequency and coverage (ii) 2020 to 2024 compliance rates and (iii) common breaches and enforcement actions; and (c) if not, whether HPB will consider instituting regular audits and corrective timelines.
23. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what clinical, epidemiological, or cost-effectiveness considerations have precluded autoimmune or multisystem conditions such as lupus, Crohn's disease, and small fibre neuropathy from the Chronic Disease Management Programme (CDMP); and (b) whether less prevalent conditions that impose high care burden on the individual and show clear benefits from early intervention can be considered for future inclusion to the CDMP.
24. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether existing outpatient subsidies are adequate for younger adults who require specialist care for chronic conditions that remain outside the Chronic Disease Management Programme list; and (b) whether the Ministry can allow such patients greater flexibility to use MediSave for outpatient treatments and services for diagnostic scans and screenings given the elevated risk of additional complications for such conditions.
25. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health following the Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore's clearance of the recent merger between Singapore's two largest private nursing home operators (a) what is the combined market share of private equity-backed nursing home operators; (b) what percentage of the Ministry's Build-Own-Lease operating subventions currently flow to such operators versus Voluntary Welfare Organisations; and (c) what safeguards exist against future price increases in an increasingly consolidated market.
26. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) for breast cancer screening under Healthier SG, whether the Ministry will consider lowering the age limit to women aged 45 years and above for early detection as the risk of breast cancer increases with age; and (b) what are the subsidies available for women aged 50 and below seeking breast cancer screening.
27. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) why is hearing loss data omitted from the 2024 National Population Health Survey; (b) whether objective hearing assessments will be reintroduced into national surveys; and (c) whether there are plans to train healthcare professionals to recognise hearing loss as a systemic risk factor and include auditory tests in Healthier SG for early detection and intervention.
28. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what trends the Government is observing regarding seniors living alone and associated mental health risks; (b) how community-based detection and early intervention for loneliness and psychological distress among seniors are being strengthened; and (c) how these efforts align with Singapore's broader preventive health strategy.

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29. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what is the current Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination take-up rates for Singaporeans aged 9 to 26, broken down by (i) males and (ii) females, respectively, over the past five years; and (b) whether there are plans to review access to school-based HPV vaccination for males.
30. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) how do foreign disaster assistance and rescue missions further Singapore's foreign policy objectives as a responsible global citizen; (b) what are the current size and standby capacities of these teams; and (c) whether there are plans to significantly expand contingent sizes during major regional disasters by incorporating trained volunteers, full-time national servicemen, or operationally ready national servicemen.
31. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) over the past five years, how does the unit cost and energy intensity of desalinated water compare with NEWater and imported water; (b) how are these costs expected to evolve with a sixth desalinated water plant; and (c) how will the Government balance water security with long-term affordability.
32. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how is cumulative traffic noise exposure in residential areas near expressways and viaducts assessed; and (b) whether environmental noise mitigation criteria will be reviewed to better account for long-term impacts on residents' sleep, mental wellbeing and health.
33. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in light of the inaugural Domestic Violence Trends Report 2024 showing upward trends in Tier 1 cases (a) what additional resources have been allocated to community agencies managing the increased caseload; and (b) whether there are updates to the average caseload per social worker at Protection Specialist Centres.
34. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development given that only 26% of the ComLink+ children enrolled in anchor operator preschools achieve regular attendance of 75% or above (a) what are the primary barriers to attendance; and (b) what interventions are being planned or implemented.
35. **Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in light of a recent case involving a former preschool cook who has pleaded guilty to three counts of molestation of minors, whether the Ministry will (a) reconsider introducing mandatory psychological assessments for all preschool staff, including non-teaching personnel; and (b) consider extending background checks to non-teaching personnel as well.
36. **Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) how is the Ministry enhancing support for families in strengthening family resilience and promoting work-life harmony, particularly for families with young children; and (b) what programmes or initiatives have been most effective in helping families navigate challenges while fostering strong family bonds.
37. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) for the three latest reporting years, what are the (i) total number of beneficiaries aged 65 and above receiving ComCare Long-Term Assistance (LTA) and Short-to-Medium-Term Assistance (SMTA) respectively and (ii) percentage these seniors represent within the total pool of ComCare recipients for each scheme; and (b) what percentage of current Silver Support Scheme recipients are concurrently receiving ComCare LTA or SMTA.

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38. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what indicators are used under ComLink+ to assess whether families have achieved stability and upward social mobility; (b) what proportion of ComLink+ families continue to face persistent challenges relating to family functioning and child well-being; and (c) how are insights from recent ComLink+ outcomes informing enhancements to upstream preventive support, particularly for children and caregivers in vulnerable households.
39. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development based on Government records over the past five years, how many Lasting Powers of Attorney have been (i) amended, (ii) revoked by the donee and (iii) revoked by court order issued by the Family Justice Courts, respectively, each as broken down by donee age group.
40. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information whether the Government is concerned about the potential impact that Stomp might cause on public trust and the standards expected of state-supported platforms, given its content that often resembles tabloid-style coverage.
41. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the Ministry's process to verify addresses declared under the Primary school registration proximity policy, and how are fraudulent declarations detected; (b) what is the policy for schools on reporting fraudulent declarations to the Police; and (c) what is the Ministry's standard protocol if fraud is discovered after enrolment and what consequences could be faced.
42. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the average amount of unutilised SkillsFuture credit for each eligible Singaporean; and (b) whether the Ministry will reconsider its position regarding transfers of SkillsFuture credits to immediate family members, particularly if the donor member is elderly, or suffering from debilitating illnesses or disabilities.
43. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Education in light of forthcoming restrictions on the use of smartphones by secondary school students during school hours (a) whether the Ministry has plans to study the negative harms posed by the prevalent use of social media applications by young teenagers; and (b) how does the Ministry intend to further enhance cyber resilience among students.
44. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Education in respect of the declassified materials in The Albatross File on Singapore's Independence, (a) how will the Ministry incorporate these materials into social studies, history and national education curricula; (b) what are the timelines for updates to textbooks and digital resources; and (c) what guidance and training will be provided to teachers to handle these primary sources and differing interpretations.
45. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Education in view that the four madrasahs have met the PSLE benchmark since 2021 (a) whether failure to meet the PSLE benchmark will result in a three-year prohibition on the intake of Primary 1 students; and (b) if so, whether the Ministry will review such a requirement.
46. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Education following the expiry of the one-off SkillsFuture Credit top-up on 31 December 2025 (a) what are the numbers of eligible Singaporeans that have (i) not utilised the credit and (ii) partially or fully utilised the credit, respectively; (b) what is the total amount that remains unutilised; and (c) how will the unutilised sum of monies be redeployed by the Ministry.

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47. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Manpower how are employers' obligations to provide acceptable accommodation and adequate food to Work Permit holders enforced during periods when workers have pending Employment Claims Tribunal cases or Work Injury Compensation claims.
48. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry will publish quarterly statistics on (i) retrenchments citing AI being one of the reasons for redundancy (ii) the redeployment rates of such affected workers and (iii) the average time for these affected workers to re-enter employment; and (b) if not, why not.
49. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower as of December 2025, what is the breakdown of Singaporeans aged 60 years and over working full-time who earn a gross monthly salary, with and without employer CPF, of (i) below \$2,000 (ii) \$2,000 to \$4,000 and (iii) above \$4,000, respectively.
50. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what is the number of unsafe workplace practice complaints reported via SnapSAFE in 2025; and (b) of all reports made via SnapSAFE in 2024 and 2025, what is the number of valid reports resulting in companies being issued a warning or enforcement action.
51. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry studied and incorporated lessons from the Ministry of Defence's operational policies on managing heat stress and driving fatigue into the Workplace Safety and Health (WSH) guidelines for migrant workers and commercial drivers; and (b) if so, what policy or procedural lessons have been adopted or adapted to enhance the WSH framework for high-risk outdoor and transport sectors.
52. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) for each year over the last five years, what is the 10th percentile, 25th percentile, median, 75th percentile and 90th percentile salary for new Employment Pass (EP) applications for (i) the financial services sector and (ii) sectors outside financial services; and (b) whether EPs have been granted to persons who did not meet the minimum qualifying salary for their relevant application periods.
53. **Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in 2025 (a) what is the average processing time for work injury compensation claims by platform workers to receive payout compensation; (b) whether the Ministry tracks the reasons for the rejection of such claims; and (c) if so, what are the top three reasons.
54. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Government can share the rationale for constructing wildlife exclusion fences between Central Catchment Nature Reserve and Lorong Asrama forest, given the commitment to enhancing ecological connectivity in the North West Region; and (b) whether the implementation of alternative connectivity measures, such as rope bridges and culverts, can be considered for this site.
55. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether the Council for Estate Agencies has any plans to update the Code of Ethics and Professional Client Care to specifically require property agents to declare images and videos portrayed on property listings that have been edited by artificial intelligence.
56. **Mr Ng Chee Meng:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether the Ministry will consider converting excess multi-storey carpark levels, especially the often under-utilised upper decks, to provide more community sports facilities for the Jalan Kayu-Fernvale community.

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57. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry tracks the (i) total number of bird species and (ii) number of migratory bird species, in the forested area east of Sungei Serangoon between Tampines Road and Serangoon East Dam; (b) if so, what are they; (c) whether the Ministry tracks the conservation status of all bird species in the area; and (d) how many are classified threatened according to Nature Society Singapore.
58. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry conducts active monitoring of illegal short-term rental listings on online platforms; and (b) how many public reports were received and investigated by the Ministry regarding suspected illegal short-term rentals since 2017; and (c) how many of these cases have led to prosecution.
59. **Ms Diana Pang Li Yen:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the 15-month cooling period policy is equitable when sellers of high-value HDB flats who realise substantial capital gains may immediately purchase another HDB flat, while private property sellers with lower gains are subject to the restriction; and (b) whether this policy needs to be recalibrated based on realised housing gains rather than property type.
60. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) how many HDB shops purchased by foreign buyers have been sublet; (b) whether the Ministry will consider imposing Additional Buyer's Stamp Duty (ABSD) on foreign buyers of HDB shop units, including shops where there is no residential component; and (c) if not, why not.
61. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Acting Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs (a) what is the population planning parameter used to determine whether a new mosque will be built; and (b) whether such a parameter includes the (i) daytime working population and (ii) foreign workers.
62. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether LTA has detected tunnel squatting, in which tunnel linings are deformed from compression, along road tunnels such as the CTE, MCE and KPE; (b) whether current coordination protocols and monitoring of construction activities near MRT and road tunnels are sufficient; and (c) how does Singapore's road and subway tunnel safety standards compare with those of other countries that experience tunnel squatting.
63. **Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport how is the Ministry enhancing Singapore's public transport network to improve connectivity, efficiency and commuter experience, especially for residents staying in Bukit Batok West who need to travel to Jurong East, Choa Chu Kang, and Bukit Panjang estates.
64. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what are the root causes identified for the major delay on the North-South Line between Ang Mo Kio and Woodlands on 26 December 2025 due to a train fault; (b) how often have similar faults occurred on the North-South Line in the past three years; and (c) how are incident responses evaluated for improvement.
65. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the relative density of seniors living in a nearby precinct, rather than at the town level, is considered when prioritising lift installations for pedestrian overhead bridges; and (b) whether such considerations were applied in the decision to not retrofit the pedestrian overhead bridge near Block 301D Anchorvale Road with an elevator.

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- 66. Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) over the past five years, what long-term maintenance and renewal strategies have been implemented to enhance MRT resilience as the network ages; (b) how often are rolling stock and signalling systems replaced or upgraded; and (c) whether the current asset management practices are benchmarked against global best practices to reduce systemic faults.
- 67. Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) in the past two years, how many vehicles were penalised for illegal exhaust modifications or breaches of noise emission standards; and (b) whether enforcement, penalties or detection methods will be strengthened given the disproportionate impact of such noise on residents' sleep and mental wellbeing.
- 68. Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) what is the current level of awareness and take-up of the Community Development and Welfare Fund (CDWF) among low-income households and frontline referrers such as school counsellors and social workers; and (b) if awareness is below target, what measures will be taken to strengthen outreach.
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