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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER*

- *1. **Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment for the Implementation of the Beverage Container Return Scheme (BCRS), how will NEA ensure that (i) the locations of all BCRS vending machines are known to consumers and (ii) retailers and shops do not sell beverages in non-returnable containers at the same price as returnable containers to consumers.
- *2. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment in respect of the Beverage Container Return Scheme (a) what measures will be put in place to mitigate the impact of potential price increases on consumers, particularly for products from smaller producers; and (b) what assistance will be provided to vulnerable residents not living near return points to claim their container deposits.
- *3. **Mr Foo Cexiang:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether NEA took reference from other countries in designing the Beverage Container Return Scheme; (b) whether NEA has considered alternatives which could have a lower cost impact on producers and consumers; and (c) how will NEA ensure that producers and consumers are not adversely and severely impacted.
- *4. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how many operational reverse vending machines and return points will be available at the onset of the Beverage Container Return Scheme on 1 April 2026; (b) how will adequate capacity for redemption of deposits be assured during the roll-out of the scheme; and (c) how will unredeemed deposits be managed with full transparency.
- *5. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment given that the Beverage Container Return Scheme is projected to add 25 to 60 cents to prices of bottled and canned drinks of which only 10 cents is refundable, what assessment was made of the affordability impact on lower-income households before confirming the April 2026 launch.
- *6. **Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng:** To ask the Minister for National Development what measures is the Ministry taking to moderate increases in shop rentals in heritage precincts such as Chinatown and Kampong Glam, in order to support the sustainability of long-standing heritage businesses and prevent their displacement.
- *7. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Government is aware of the trend of bidding wars and subletting driving up rents in Kampong Glam; and (b) if so, whether the Government intends to take any action to curb this practice, and if not, why not.
- *8. **Mr Sharael Taha:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information what progress has been made to ensure the appropriate use of citizens' NRIC numbers across both public and private sector transactions.

- *9. **Mr Ng Chee Meng:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the take up rate of AI-related skills training courses supported by SkillsFuture; and (b) whether the Ministry has targets on the number of workers, especially among professionals, managers and executives, who should go for such up-skilling.
- *10. **Assoc Prof Terence Ho:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the adoption of artificial intelligence is prompting employers to slow down the hiring of fresh graduates of Institutes of Higher Learning in certain sectors or occupations; and (b) whether the Ministry has plans to help boost the employability and opportunities available to fresh graduates facing such challenges.
- *11. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education what is the Ministry's current position on optimal class sizes given recent findings that teachers face increasing complexity in their roles, including supporting students with diverse learning needs, mental health challenges, and special educational needs.
- *12. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how the Ministry works with overseas platforms and foreign jurisdictions to disrupt cross-border vape supply chains; and (b) how effective have current blocking and takedown measures been over the past two years.
- *13. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what does the targeted and stepped-up surveillance entail in practice for central kitchens under SFA's risk-based food safety inspection regime; and (b) whether SFA will consider classifying central kitchens supplying school meals as a distinct higher-risk tier and subjecting them to sustained stepped-up surveillance, in view of large volumes served to children and heightened consequences and disruptions from any lapse.
- *14. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Government will proactively engage displaced food and beverage operators to mitigate the ongoing shortage of canteen operators in schools; and (b) whether the Government will consider incentivising such pivots, providing these operators with stable, low-rental business environments while ensuring students have access to affordable quality meals.
- *15. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the 60 gastroenteritis cases at River Valley Primary School are linked to the food provided under the new Central Kitchen Meal Model; (b) what steps will be taken to strengthen food safety at the school; and (c) whether any punitive actions will be taken against the caterer, and if not, why not.
- *16. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Education in light of recent gastroenteritis incidents at River Valley and North View Primary Schools (a) what checks are in place (i) at school level and (ii) at Ministry level to ensure food safety; and (b) whether the Ministry has examined evidence on the quality and safety of food prepared in central kitchens versus on-site preparation.
- *17. **Mr Foo Cexiang:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry has considered paying individual hawkers to set up stalls in the school canteen to sell cooked food.
- *18. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how many days after adopting the Central Kitchen Meal Model did the River Valley Primary School gastroenteritis outbreak occur; (b) whether central kitchen operators must meet Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) standards and the three-zone hygiene system as required in Japan; and (c) whether the Ministry will publish food safety audit results for all such operators.

- *19. **Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Minister for Education with regard to the Central Kitchen Meal Model where a single operator serves multiple schools (a) what risk assessment framework has the Ministry developed to address the concentration of food safety risk across multiple school populations; and (b) whether there is a cap on the number of schools a single central kitchen operator can supply to.
- *20. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Minister can provide an update on the case where 147 North View Primary School pupils suffered suspected gastroenteritis symptoms; and (b) how the Ministry has been supporting affected students and their families.
- *21. **Ms Cassandra Lee:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) what safeguards the Ministry has required of X's Grok app to prevent harm to vulnerable users, including children; (b) how the adequacy and enforceability of these safeguards are assessed before and during deployment; and (c) whether interim regulatory measures will be applied to limit exposure to or scale of use of Grok app, and if so, on what basis.
- *22. **Assoc Prof Terence Ho:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether the Ministry can support the efforts of social service agencies' senior befrienders by (i) coordinating their outreach to complement that of the Silver Generation ambassadors and (ii) scaling up the deployment of technology in homes to help family members or befrienders monitor the well-being of vulnerable seniors living alone.
- *23. **Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the Singapore Tourism Board balances between (i) attracting high-yield visitors who spend more and (ii) attracting a high volume of visitors, which supports broader employment, especially in retail and tourism services; and (b) if so, how.
- *24. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Minister for National Development regarding the Free Parking Scheme (FPS) at HDB car parks on Sundays and Public Holidays (a) what is the current criteria for introduction of FPS in new HDB estates; (b) how Tengah compares with other new estates in terms of implementation progress; and (c) whether the Ministry can provide an update on the plans and indicative timeline for FPS in Tengah.
- *25. **Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether Direct School Admission (DSA) offers reduce the Secondary One quota available for students from non-affiliated schools; and (b) whether there have been cases where a secondary school had no remaining slots for students from non-affiliated schools after DSA and affiliation admissions.
- *26. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development whether the Government will consider supporting the adoption of foreign children by Singaporeans through (i) expediting the children's citizenship applications (ii) permitting subsidised rates for healthcare and immunisations (iii) implementing temporary plans for basic insurance coverage and (iv) allowing parents to claim backdated levy concessions for their migrant domestic workers.
- *27. **Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) regarding the planned clearance of 52 hectares of forest in the Jurong Innovation District for the CleanTech Park and Bahar precincts, what alternative sites were evaluated to preserve the area's ecological linkage; (b) why were these alternatives not selected; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider stronger mitigation beyond the proposed 14.5 hectares of retained green space.

*28. **Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how many students were subject to balloting in the 2025 Secondary One posting exercise; (b) of this number, how many were unsuccessful and consequently considered for their next choice of school despite having met the cut-off points of their higher-order choice; and (c) since 2021, how many students have been similarly unsuccessful in balloting each year.

*29. **Mr Sharael Taha:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how the Progressive Wage Model (PWM) has affected wage levels in adjacent or non-PWM sectors; and (b) what assessment has been made of its impact on business costs and competitiveness in the most affected industries.

*30. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how primary schools prepare for Primary 1 students with special educational needs entering mainstream schools, including (i) how such needs are identified or declared prior to admission and (ii) how schools plan and deploy support resources; and (b) whether current processes sufficiently enable early and effective support for these students.

*31. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what the typical timelines and stages at which students in mainstream schools are assessed or diagnosed for special educational needs; (b) whether these vary by condition; and (c) how the Ministry ensures early identification and intervention so that students do not fall through gaps or receive support only at later primary levels.

*32. **Mr Mark Lee:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance in light of the United States' pull-back from UN climate processes while Europe and regional partners remain engaged at a calibrating pace (a) how does the Government assess implications for Singapore's carbon tax and sustainability pathway; and (b) whether there is scope to recalibrate the pace of carbon tax increases to mitigate cost pressures on local industries while meeting long-term climate commitments.

*33. **Mr Sharael Taha:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how the current healthcare workforce compares against projected service demand, including vacancy rates and critical skill shortages; and (b) how workforce planning is being strengthened to meet the needs of an ageing population beyond 2030.

*34. **Assoc Prof Terence Ho:** To ask the Minister for National Development in view that HDB coffeeshops are no longer required to offer budget meals (a) whether there will be a reduction in budget meal options available to lower income residents; (b) whether the Ministry will consider providing financial incentives directly to coffeeshop stallholders to offer budget meals; and (c) whether it is feasible to link funding support to the volume of budget meals purchased.

*35. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what are the specific factors considered in the decision to make the budget meal initiative for HDB coffeeshops no longer mandatory on grounds of the scheme's sustainability; and (b) what factors will be used to monitor and evaluate the impact of the change.

*36. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Ministry has conducted studies on the number of leave days taken by parents with children under seven due to childcare centre closures or their children falling ill; and (b) if so, whether such leave usage frequently exceeds the current enhanced childcare leave entitlement.

- *37. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether measures are being considered to further encourage seniors to go for regular dental check-ups and preventive care in addition to the enhanced Community Health Assist Scheme (CHAS) subsidies for dental procedures implemented in October 2025 to improve support for dental care.
- *38. **Mr Abdul Muhamin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) whether ECDA will introduce policy measures to increase transparency about pre-schools with safety violations and enforcement actions taken; (b) whether parents can access information about pre-schools' safety records and ECDA's regulatory actions; and (c) what safeguards exist to ensure parents are informed when serious safety violations occur at their children's pre-schools.
- *39. **Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development whether the Ministry will review the administrative and reporting framework for deputies appointed under the Mental Capacity Act, with a view to simplifying procedures and easing the compliance burden, while maintaining safeguards for the persons they serve.
- *40. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) in each of the past three years, what have been the (i) average caseloads (ii) session frequency and (iii) duration of cases, handled by Community Outreach Teams (CREST) and Community Intervention Team (COMIT) workers, respectively; and (b) how does the Ministry ensure workloads remain safe and sustainable as demand for their services rises.
- *41. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what proportion of allied health professionals in Community Outreach Teams (CREST) and the Community Intervention Team (COMIT) are registered with their respective professional bodies; and (b) what plans are in place to ensure appropriate professional credentialing as these teams are expanded.
- *42. **Ms Hazlina Abdul Halim:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) when will the Government study the effectiveness of initiatives like the GSTV scheme and CDC vouchers under the Assurance Package in helping Singaporeans cope with cost-of-living concerns sustainably; and (b) what are some structural or cost control measures that can be implemented to better manage cost-of-living challenges, especially among vulnerable Singaporeans.
- *43. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Ministry has assessed (i) the potential impact of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation & Development's (OECD) decision to exempt U.S.-based multinational corporations from the 15% global corporate tax will have on Singapore's corporate tax revenues and (ii) whether this poses any medium-term fiscal risks to Singapore.
- *44. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how many reports of biting by male Wolbachia mosquitoes have been received since 2024; (b) what is the current error rate for the sex-sorting process for Project Wolbachia; and (c) what scientific evidence ensures that these released male mosquitoes lack the physiological capability to bite or draw blood from humans.
- *45. **Mr Vikram Nair:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs what are the implications, if any, for Singapore arising from the dispute between the US and some of its NATO allies over Greenland.

*46. **Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) what is the Government's assessment on the impact that the United States' claim on Greenland will have on Singapore; and (b) how will President Trump's threats of applying tariffs on nations that oppose the United States' claim on Greenland affect the way the Singapore Government approaches the issue.

*47. **Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what is the current construction status and expected completion date of the Tampines North Integrated Transport Hub; (b) what factors contributed to the extended timeline from initial planning in 2013 to expected completion in 2030; and (c) what lessons have been learned to expedite future integrated transport hub developments.

*48. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development among single-parent households (a) how many are (i) divorced, (ii) widowed (iii) unwed; (b) how many single parents are aged (i) below 21, (ii) between 21 and 45 (iii) 46 and above; (c) how many children in these households are aged (i) below five, (ii) between five and 16 (iii) 17 and above; and (d) how many of these households have (i) one child, (ii) two children (iii) three children and more.

*49. **Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what is the Government's assessment of the 2026 Edelman Trust Barometer finding that only 31% of Singapore residents believe the next generation will be better off, a 11% decline from the previous year; and (b) whether internal Government data corroborates this decline in intergenerational optimism.

*50. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what is the proportion of Student Care Centres (SCC) which are not registered as a Student Care Fee Assistance Administrator or school-based SCC; (b) whether such SCCs are subject to any regulatory oversight; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider subjecting all SCCs to a licensing and regulatory regime similar to early childhood development centres.

*51. **Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the Government monitors the trend of foreign technology companies re-domiciling in Singapore primarily to mitigate geopolitical regulatory risks; (b) what assessment has been made of the reputational risks to Singapore's status as a neutral technology hub; and (c) what criteria ensure such entities maintain substantive business operations and local workforce commitments here.

*52. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) in each of the past five years, how many complaints have LTA received on inaccurate bus arrival information on its online and physical platforms; (b) whether other approaches were considered to fix such inaccuracies before deciding on a system-level reset; and (c) whether the Ministry expects such resets to recur in the near future and what steps are taken to address this.

*53. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) for the latest status of investigations into the recent bus ETA system technical issues affecting commuters' access to real-time information; (b) the identified root causes; and (c) what measures are being taken to improve (i) reliability reduce (ii) commuter inconvenience and (iii) prevent recurrence of such system disruptions.

*54. **Mr Vikram Nair:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) what is Singapore's position in relation to the capture of Venezuela's President Nicholas Maduro and his wife by the United States; and (b) what are the implications for Singapore, if any, in view of such developments.

- *55. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how the new Safety Assurance for Food Establishment (SAFE) framework that will be implemented from 19 January 2026 is expected to address public health risks more effectively; and (b) what metrics does the Government plan to use in order to evaluate this.
- *56. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how will transparency and authenticity of the food safety grading under the new Safety Assurance for Food Establishment (SAFE) framework be assured, given that physical decals will be replaced by digital disclosures from 19 January 2026 onwards; and (b) how will consumers who are less digitally savvy still be able to easily access the food safety grading information.
- *57. **Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment with the new food grading system announced on 7 January 2026 (a) how will small businesses with limited resources be assisted to meet the additional requirements; and (b) what is the transition duration as well as the resources required by SFA to complete inspections under the new grading system.
- *58. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment regarding the new Safety Assurance for Food Establishments (SAFE) framework (a) whether the shift to self-regulation and reduction in regular inspections is being driven by manpower constraints; (b) what is the revised inspection frequency; and (c) whether relying on track records risk making the system reactive, where food safety standards may slip unnoticed until a major lapse occurs.
- *59. **Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what is the Ministry's assessment of the current capacity and coverage of strength training facilities for seniors, in particular programmes such as Gym Tonic; and (b) whether the Ministry has any plans to expand access to such facilities to meet growing demand among seniors.
- *60. **Mr Foo Cexiang:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the Ministry will review the requirement to keep food affordable such as by ensuring at least one budget meal option is available per stall at hawker centres managed by the NEA and Town Councils in light of HDB's policy revisions on 10 January 2026 that coffee shops renewing leases no longer need to offer budget meals.
- *61. **Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what has been the total annual compensation range for political office holders from 2018 to 2024; (b) what were the ranges for (i) Performance Bonus (ii) National Bonus and (iii) Annual Variable Component over this period; and (c) whether the Ministry will provide data comparing how political salaries tracked against median and 90th percentile household incomes during this period.
- *62. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether asset-rich, cash-poor Singaporeans can have an option to defer their property taxes payable with a reasonable rate of interest, such that their taxes can be paid in the future when the properties are transacted or bequeathed.
- *63. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Government will consider introducing a property tax deferral scheme to assist seniors with cash flow difficulties to postpone paying the property taxes for their owner-occupied home.

- *64. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what proportion of Singapore's rail network is built on marine clay; (b) what long-term measures are in place to manage "tunnel squatting" across the rail network; (c) what other portions of rail network are scheduled for maintenance related to ground settlement; and (d) how advanced geotechnical monitoring is integrated into rail maintenance regimes to ensure structural integrity and minimise service disruptions.
- *65. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) will the Ministry issue clear guidance to schools on how to encourage students to speak up about school-related issues through appropriate channels, including discussions with teachers, parents, or on social media; and (b) to ensure that students are not discouraged or penalised by teachers for respectfully expressing concerns or views publicly in the public interest.
- *66. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what is the Ministry's assessment of the health risks posed by smart vapes designed as gaming consoles or phones to target youths; and (b) whether current legislation will be reviewed to introduce heavier penalties for manufacturers and distributors who use such deceptive designs to circumvent parental and school supervision and attract young users.
- *67. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how many e-vaporisers disguised as electronic smart devices have been seized in the past year; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider enhanced sentencing frameworks for syndicates that intentionally import vapes disguised as common household or student items to evade detection by enforcement agencies at checkpoints.
- *68. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how enforcement agencies are adapting to vapes disguised as everyday items or smart devices; (b) whether current search, detection, and seizure powers are adequate; and (c) how frontline officers are trained to identify such concealed devices.
- *69. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport whether LTA will review its role and processes with respect to vehicle recalls, especially for safety reasons.
- *70. **Mr Abdul Muhammin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport with regard to the sharing in 2023 that vehicle-specific data collected by the Land Transport Authority will only be used for payment, charges and enforcement such as against non-payment of ERP charges, whether such enforcement includes or will include enforcement of speeding violations or other traffic offences beyond non-payment of charges.
- *71. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Ministry has data on how many disputes relating to health insurance claims were filed with MAS or the Financial Industry Disputes Resolution Centre (FIDReC) in each of the past three years; (b) what proportion of such disputes were resolved in favour of policyholders; and (c) whether there has been an increase in disputes involving claim rejections, exclusions or post-treatment coverage.
- *72. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) what considerations Singapore will have in evaluating invitations from new multilateral groups such as the Board of Peace; and (b) whether Singapore will consider adopting a wait-and-see approach before joining any new multilateral groups.

*73. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the total value of SkillsFuture credits forfeited following expiry at end-2025, disaggregated by (i) age group and (ii) income group; and (b) whether the Ministry plans to conduct a nationwide survey to study factors influencing SkillsFuture credit usage.

*74. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for Education with regard to the contract awarding process for school bus services for Special Education (SPED) schools (a) over the past two years, on average, how many bus operators participate in each bidding exercise; and (b) what are the mechanisms in place to ensure sufficient number of unique bidders.

*75. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Ministry has assessed the exposure of Singapore's reserves to the proposed changes to section 892 of the US tax code; (b) whether Singapore has made representations to the US Treasury before the 13 February 2026 comment deadline; and (c) whether the Ministry retains confidence that GIC's and Temasek's US investments are adequately protected from this regulatory change.

*76. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for National Development regarding the six-year rent commitment for HDB shops (a) what is the rationale for structuring tenancies as two three-year terms instead of a single six-year lease; (b) whether HDB will consider penalties for early lease termination to deter speculative bidding; and (c) how does the new measure prevent well-resourced chains from displacing smaller businesses.

*77. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Progressive Wage Credit Scheme (PWCS) can be made a more long term feature so as to moderate increasing business costs while encouraging the continued narrowing of the wage gap in our economy.

*78. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) in each of the last three years, how many summonses were issued to cyclists for failing to display front white and rear red lights at night; (b) which groups of cyclists most frequently commit these offences; and (c) what specific education efforts target this requirement and how is their effectiveness measured against compliance rates observed during enforcement, if any.

*79. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Minister for Manpower regarding the Dormitory Transition Scheme (DTS), (a) what are the measures to ensure that operators utilise the funding DTS grant responsibly and in line with the intended objectives of DTS; (b) what are the safeguards against misuse or abuse of these funds; and (c) whether there will be regular inspections and audits during the retrofitting processes.

*80. **Dr Neo Kok Beng:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what is the estimated carbon footprint and air pollutant emissions arising from National Day Parade (NDP) firework use; (b) whether the Ministry has any plans to progressively reduce, eliminate, or replace fireworks displays with lower-emission alternatives like large-scale drone light shows for future NDPs; and (c) if so, whether the Ministry will consider developing local capabilities for large-scale drone light shows.

*81. **Dr Neo Kok Beng:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the Government has estimates on firework-related carbon emissions and environment pollutants over (i) major events such as the New Year Eve Countdown and (ii) daily or recurring events such as the Wings of Time Fireworks Symphony in Sentosa; and (b) whether the Government will consider replacing or complementing fireworks with drone light shows to reduce carbon and particulate emissions.

*82. **Dr Neo Kok Beng:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Office of the Leader of Opposition will be institutionalised in the Constitution; (b) if so, what are the criteria for an elected Member of Parliament (MP) assuming the Office; and (c) where there is no elected MP who meets the criteria, whether the Prime Minister will continue to appoint an elected MP to the Office.

*83. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether PolCam installations are planned for Plantation Village and Grove precincts; (b) if so, what is the indicative installation timeline; (c) whether deployment beyond standard locations such as lift lobbies, staircases, bicycle bays and car parks can be considered for resident-highlighted danger zones; and (d) how resident feedback is incorporated into operational considerations.

*84. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Public Service Division will consider including compensation ranges, flexible work arrangements, and flexible compensation options in Government job postings to promote pay transparency, attract a more diverse talent pool, and reduce jobseeker fatigue.

*85. **Ms Cassandra Lee:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what is the number of foreign motorists who were given fines in 2024 and 2025; (b) what is the breakdown of fines given to foreign motorists classified by vehicle types; and (c) following the multi-agency fine enforcement operations against foreign motorists at the land checkpoints in October 2025, whether the Ministry is considering further enforcement efforts with coordination between relevant agencies.

*86. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether MAS has plans to further review the Guidelines on Shared Responsibility Framework, in particular, banks' responsibility for unauthorised digital transactions that occur within seconds despite fraud alerts to customers; and (b) whether existing rules adequately require banks to halt or reverse fraudulent transactions when customers report them promptly.

*87. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Ministry is reviewing the current real-time fraud detection standards expected of financial institutions in Singapore; and (b) if so, whether stronger real-time verification standards will be mandated.

*88. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether HDB can consider allowing homeowners to replace their entrance doors with fire-rated doors under the Home Improvement Programme (HIP), regardless of whether their flats require fire-rated doors in accordance with SCDF's Fire Code.

*89. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for National Development in addition to grouping HDB blocks with fewer units for the voting of the Home Improvement Programme, whether the Ministry will consider the additional use of electronic polling including via SingPass to reduce the number of absentee votes and improve voting convenience.

*90. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether the Ministry has conducted or plans to conduct a review to extend the Home Improvement Programme to HDB blocks built after 1997, given that some of these blocks are now approaching 30 years of age and may require similar essential improvement works.

*91. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what governance frameworks and due diligence ensured the independence of BeZero Carbon, Calyx Global, and Sylvera during their appointment to assess carbon credit integrity; and (b) what oversight mechanisms mitigate potential conflicts of interest regarding these firms' commercial relationships with international credit developers when supporting Singapore's environmental integrity assessments of carbon credits.

*92. **Ms Cassandra Lee:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) how many licences have been granted to massage establishments in 2023, 2024, and 2025; and (b) what is the number of vice activities that have been detected in licensed massage establishments during this period.

*93. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) in each of the last five academic years, how many students in the polytechnics and ITEs have switched courses of study; (b) what are the typically incurred costs to switch courses, including depletion of subsidised semesters under the Tuition Grant Scheme and non-subsidised fees payable; and (c) what are the key reasons for students deciding to switch courses.

*94. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what are the Public Transport Voucher take-up rates since January 2020; (b) how is its effectiveness in offsetting commuting cost pressure evaluated; and (c) whether there are plans to further enhance transport affordability support beyond the current \$60 voucher benefit.

*95. **Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) since the inception of the CDC Vouchers Scheme, how many appeals for additional CDC vouchers have been received from different households sharing a single home address at each tranche; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider accepting additional forms of proof beyond address-related documents such as rental agreements to verify separate households for such appeals.

*96. **Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how does SkillsFuture Singapore verify that subsidised courses which purport to support licensed occupations are aligned with the prerequisite qualifications stipulated by relevant licensing and regulatory authorities; and (b) how is this information made clear to learners at the point of enrolment.

*97. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) over the past five years, what is the participation rate of Singaporeans in events organised by the People's Association; (b) what is the breakdown in participation by (i) age group and (ii) race; and (c) whether there are the plans to encourage more participation.

*98. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs following the United States' recent withdrawal from various international bodies (a) how will the withdrawals impact Singapore's interests; and (b) how will the Government work with partners to sustain the viability of these institutions, specifically those headquartered here or where Singapore holds leadership roles.

*99. **Ms Hazlina Abdul Halim:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the Ministry will consider requiring (i) developers of housing and commercial projects to publish environmental factors disclosure reports covering noise and proximity to MRT viaducts, expressways and substations and (ii) buyers to acknowledge these reports prior to purchase.

- *100. **Ms Hazlina Abdul Halim:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the Ministry will consider requiring developers of housing and commercial projects to bear part of the costs to address noise-related issues arising from pre-existing public infrastructure near said projects for up to a year after the new owners receive Temporary Occupation Permits, similar to the one-year Defects Liability Period for HDB projects.
- *101. **Mr Darryl David:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) whether the Government has done any studies or research on the possibility of sentient Artificial Intelligence (AI) developing and evolving in our networks and systems; and (b) if so, whether the Government has any safeguards against the possible damage that rogue sentient AI could cause in the networks and systems of critical areas such as defence, finance and transport infrastructure.
- *102. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance in respect of the key drivers affecting women's decisions to delay childbirth, whether the Ministry will consider refreshed practical support measures such as structural help with daily tasks and labour and postpartum guidance.
- *103. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information over the past three years (a) what has been the trend of Singapore Post Ltd's (SingPost) compliance with the Postal Quality of Service (QoS) standards set by the Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA); (b) whether the IMDA has received feedback for service quality improvement by SingPost; and (c) if so, what are the three highest categories of feedback received.
- *104. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether any infants have consumed infant formula products contaminated with cereulide toxins; and (b) what steps the Government is taking to increase the surveillance of infant formula products to ensure their safety.
- *105. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in light of The Economist's ranking which drops Singapore's economy to eighth after adjusting for working hours (a) how is Singapore's working hours compared with other OECD and advanced economies; (b) what is the top three professionals, managers, executives, and technicians (PMET) and non-PMET occupations with the longest hours; and (c) what measures are being considered to help moderate working hours for workers.
- *106. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what factors contributed to the (i) continued decline in the full-time permanent employment rate for polytechnic graduates since 2022 and (ii) increase in involuntary part-time employment rate over the same period; and (b) whether the Ministry will intervene in sectors with significant reductions in local polytechnic graduate hires, including by reviewing S-Pass dependency ratio ceilings.
- *107. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) how many non-residents have resided in Singapore for more than five consecutive years; (b) how many have unsuccessfully applied for resident status; (c) what support or pathways exist for long-term residents who wish to integrate but have not obtained Permanent Residence; and (d) whether and how the Ministry tracks the social integration outcomes of this group.
- *108. **Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will consider incorporating digital break workshops into the standard co-curricular activities (CCA) curriculum for schools as social media and gaming addiction are highly concerning; and (b) how is the effectiveness of existing cyber wellness programs measured against the increasing prevalence of algorithmic content delivery to students.

- *109. **Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment in view of the reduction of national carbon emissions to 55.5 million tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent in 2023, whether the Government will step up structural reforms that lead to emissions reductions in the manufacturing, power, waste and water sectors, which account for 70% of total national emissions, to continue this downward trend.
- *110. **Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport with the implementation of Certificate of Medical Need Requirement for individuals who drive or ride a mobility scooter on public paths from mid-2026, how will the Ministry assist vulnerable residents who may not have the technological means of obtaining the necessary permits.
- *111. **Assoc Prof Kenneth Goh:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) how programmes such as the Sport Excellence Potential (spexPotential) account for sports where athletes peak later, including how long athletes can be supported before reaching senior representation; and (b) how the Ministry ensures such athletes are not disadvantaged by early progression benchmarks.
- *112. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in light of the progressive enhancement of caregiver support through the Caregiver Support Action Plan, enhanced Home Caregiving Grant and expanded respite services, what are the future plans to close the gaps that remain regarding (i) long-term financial security and (ii) employment re-entry pathways for individuals who reduce work hours or exit the workforce to provide unpaid caregiving.
- *113. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Municipal Services Office will consider accelerating the deployment of Community Relations Unit (CRU) powers beyond the Tampines pilot for severe hoarding cases posing persistent public health or fire risks, and where repeated multi-agency interventions have failed; and (b) if so, whether adequate resourcing for the CRU can be reflected in Budget 2026 to support such accelerated deployment.

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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Introduction of Government Bill

1. **Minister for Sustainability and the Environment:**

Coastal Protection and Other Amendments Bill.

ORDER OF THE DAY

- 1. Land Transport and Related Matters Bill [Bill No. 1/2026] – (Acting Minister for Transport) – Second Reading.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

1. Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry:

GRANT TO IMF'S POVERTY REDUCTION AND GROWTH TRUST: That this Parliament, in accordance with section 6A(2)(d) of the Bretton Woods Agreements Act 1966, resolves that the maximum amount of grants that the Monetary Authority of Singapore may give under the bilateral agreement (or its subsequent variations) to be made by the Monetary Authority of Singapore (on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Singapore) with the International Monetary Fund to support the Poverty Reduction and Growth Trust, is 21,000,000 Special Drawing Rights (approximately 28,600,000 United States Dollars). 1
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2. Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry:

GRANT TO IMF'S TRUST FOR SPECIAL POVERTY REDUCTION AND GROWTH OPERATIONS FOR THE HEAVILY INDEBTED POOR COUNTRIES: That this Parliament, in accordance with section 6A(2)(d) of the Bretton Woods Agreements Act 1966, resolves that the maximum amount of grants that the Monetary Authority of Singapore may give under the bilateral agreement (or its subsequent variations) to be made by the Monetary Authority of Singapore (on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Singapore) with the International Monetary Fund to support Sudan's debt relief efforts via the Trust for Special Poverty Reduction and Growth Operations for the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries, is 4,480,000 Special Drawing Rights (approximately 6,100,000 United States Dollars). 1
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MEMORANDUM

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

Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis : Make (Singapore) Equities Great Again.
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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether CDC vouchers available to spend at participating supermarkets could also be allowed to be spent at heartland merchants, but not vice versa, so as to accommodate residents who do not shop at supermarkets, while also abiding by the policy intent to support heartland merchants.
2. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Government has any further plans to increase property taxes on non-owner occupied properties, in order to address wealth inequality; and (b) if so, what are the considerations for these plans.
3. **Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry what is the assessment of the potential impact and opportunities of the Hainan Free Trade Port on Singapore and the region, in particular the potential disruption to trade flows and routes.

4. **Ms Hazlina Abdul Halim:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry in view of rising geopolitical tensions and economic nationalism (a) how is Singapore expanding and renewing trade relations with large and small countries; and (b) how is the Ministry increasing engagements with regional and international counterparts to manage tensions and prevent future supply disruptions.
5. **Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore is reviewing Meta's acquisition of local AI start-up Manus; (b) how the Ministry assesses the impact of such acquisitions on the competitiveness of Singapore's domestic AI innovation ecosystem; and (c) whether the current merger notification framework remains adequate.
6. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) in each of the last five years, what is the dollar value of advanced computing commodities and high-end artificial intelligence chips that are produced locally; (b) what are the key constraints in raising the share of high-end chipmaking in Singapore; and (c) what efforts are being undertaken to overcome them.
7. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what are the screening protocols for 1777 hotline operators for non-emergency ambulance services to identify and divert emergencies to 995 and whether exclusion criteria are communicated to callers upfront; (b) how many cases received through 1777 are re-directed to 995 annually; and (c) whether consumers are required to pay the associated costs if the private ambulance deems a case unsuitable upon arrival.
8. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether the Traffic Police assesses motorists involved in traffic accidents for vaping or drug use as part of its standard protocol; (b) in the past three years, what is the number of traffic accidents that have been linked to vaping or drug use, per quarter of each year; and (c) whether stricter penalties can be considered for such offences.
9. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in the past three years (a) what are the number and proportion of cases investigated by the Singapore Police Force (SPF) where there was seized property; and (b) how does SPF ensure that all properties are returned without delay to their rightful owners.
10. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) how many accidents have occurred at the junction of Loyang Avenue and Old Tampines Road over the past three years; (b) what measures have been studied to improve road safety at this junction; and (c) whether the Traffic Police will consider installing traffic cameras to enforce against speeding and yellow box violations at this junction.
11. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in 2025, what is the annual number of Malaysia-registered motorcycles that were issued with Notices of Traffic Offence.

12. **Dr Haresh Singaraju:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health in view of the requirement for clinicians to disclose only information relevant to an insurance claim to insurers, whether the Ministry can provide guidance on how clinicians shall disclose patient medical records to insurers when (i) the insurance request forms do not state what the claims are for (ii) requests are made for all medical records of claimants.

13. **Dr Haresh Singaraju:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether the Ministry will work with MAS and the Life Insurance Association of Singapore to ensure that insurance request forms provide sufficient context for clinicians to determine what information is relevant to disclose.

14. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what percentage of reports on vaping activities are received (i) within and (ii) outside the 9am to 9pm hotline hours; and (b) where a significant volume of sightings occurs after-hours, whether the Ministry will extend hotline operations or automate reporting to ensure more timely enforcement against the use, purchase, and sale of e-vaporisers.

15. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health over the past five years (a) whether the current Medisave withdrawal limits and MediShield Life coverage have been sufficient for working patients undergoing long-term dialysis; (b) how many patients have exhausted both the limits annually; and (c) whether enhancements are being considered to better reflect the lifelong nature of kidney failure.

16. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) in each of the past three years, how many referrals have been received by Community Outreach Teams (CREST) and Community Intervention Team (COMIT) workers as broken down by referral source such as step-up, step-down, or self-referrals; and (b) how does the Ministry assess whether referrals are appropriate to the intended tier of care.

17. **Mr Abdul Muhamin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health in light of the expansion of community health posts in more neighbourhoods, whether there are plans to run more public health screenings in heartland areas.

18. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether the EatWise SG initiative has defined performance indicators for early detection and referral of seniors at malnutrition risk; (b) what are the current performance levels; and (c) what annual targets have been set through 2030, given projected ageing demographics.

19. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health in light of the 2025 Dietary Guidelines for Americans which prioritise real whole foods over ultra-processed foods (a) what is the Ministry's assessment of the guidelines' applicability to Singaporeans; (b) whether the Ministry tracks Singaporeans' average percentage of daily caloric intake from ultra-processed foods; and (c) whether the Ministry will update the My Healthy Plate guidelines to specifically discourage ultra-processed foods.

20. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether available data shows if disputes between patients and private health insurers over coverage have increased over the past three years; (b) whether evidence exists of how such disputes affect patients' access to timely and appropriate care in both public and private healthcare settings; and (c) what safeguards are in place to ensure insurers' decisions do not undermine clinically indicated treatment.

21. **Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) what are the factors to be considered in deciding whether to join the US-led Board of Peace; and (b) what is the expected fee for Singapore to pay for joining the Board on a three-year membership term or with indefinite membership, respectively.

22. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the approximately 1,000 Beverage Container Return Scheme return points have been identified; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider (i) prioritising locating the return points at high-footfall HDB blocks and precincts and (ii) exploring tie-ups with existing commercial parcel locker or collection-point machines to leverage on existing infrastructure.

23. **Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment regarding the sinkhole incident at Tanjong Katong Road South on 26 July 2025 (a) whether the independent investigation panel has finished their work; (b) if not, when can the panel's report be expected; and (c) whether there are any results or findings that can be shared.

24. **Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how does NEA monitor noise levels at construction sites, including (i) how many Leq-5-minutes readings are taken per day per work site, (ii) how many noise meters are emplaced for each work site and (iii) whether NEA also measures Lmax or maximum noise levels; and (b) how does NEA use these values in assessing compliance and addressing resident complaints.

25. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether there are differences in public satisfaction, cleanliness, and operating efficiencies between hawker centres managed by Town Councils, such as Whampoa and Bendemeer markets, and those managed by NEA; and (b) if so, whether the Government can consider a model where a single Government agency owns and runs all hawker centres, but tenders certain elements like cleaning based on geographical regions.

26. **Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the Ministry has assessed residents' exposure, particularly those living in or near ground-floor units, to second-hand cigarette smoke from common areas; and (b) whether the Government will consider introducing additional buffer zones or regulatory measures to better protect residents from involuntary exposure to second-hand cigarette smoke in residential settings.

27. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether repeated MRT noise exposure has been assessed to affect the long term health among commuters; (b) if so, whether such exposure will be included in the national health promotion or prevention strategies in collaboration with transport agencies; and (c) whether the Ministry will strengthen research, monitoring and public education on MRT noise through an interagency initiative.

28. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) how many children are under non-parental care due to their parents being unable or unwilling to care for them, including cases where parents are incarcerated for a long duration or otherwise incapable of providing care; and (b) of these cases, how many children are being cared for by grandparents or other relatives.

29. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) over the past five years, how many domestic violence cases involved male victims; (b) how many sought protection orders or support services; and (c) whether the Ministry will publish gender-disaggregated data to better understand and address under-reporting of such cases among men.

30. **Mr Alex Yeo:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in light of the impending deadline of 31 March 2026 (a) whether the Ministry can provide an update regarding the further extension of the waiver of the Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) Form 1 filing fee for Singaporeans beyond this date; and (b) if not, whether there are alternative plans to continue encouraging Singaporeans to execute their LPAs.

31. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what is the take-up rate of Special Needs Trust Company's trust services with a breakdown by (i) household income (ii) per capita income and (iii) race; and (b) whether the Ministry is monitoring take-up rates and considering any plans to boost them, particularly among median income families.

32. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) in the past five years, how many licensees of early childhood development centres have failed to give at least six months' notice before ceasing operations; and (b) whether the Ministry has considered enhancing the statutory penalties or taking other measures to minimise the impact of sudden closures of such centres.

33. **Ms Cassandra Lee:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) whether the Government is considering measures that will assist adoption agencies and families to conduct due diligence before processing the adoption of children; and (b) if so, what will some of these measures be.

34. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) of the employers eligible for the Enabling Employment Credit, what proportion have utilised it; (b) what are the main barriers preventing greater uptake; and (c) given the target of 40% employment rate for persons with disabilities by 2030 versus the current 32.7%, what additional measures are planned to close this gap.

35. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) how many police reports have been made about AI-generated non-consensual intimate images on X's Grok platform to date; (b) how many cases that were investigated have led to directions against X; (c) what enforcement actions are being planned if X fails to meet these directions, if any; and (d) whether the Ministry will consider an outright ban of Grok.

36. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Education as at the end of 2025, what is the breakdown of SkillsFuture Credit utilisation rate by age group (i) 25 to 40 (ii) 40 to 55 and (iii) 55 and above, respectively.

37. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will review the \$5,000 Special Educational Needs (SEN) Fund cap for students with learning and behavioural disabilities in light of rising costs for private specialised support; and (b) how many such students currently benefit from both the SEN Fund and the MOE Financial Assistance Scheme with newly expanded income criteria.

38. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Minister for Education given the restriction on smartphone usage in schools (a) what measures are in place to detect bullying incidents that may no longer be captured through student-taken videos; (b) in the past five years, how many bullying cases were substantiated through student-provided videos; and (c) whether the Ministry will strengthen reporting channels or publish comparative bullying data before and after restricting smartphone usage.

39. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) in the past five years, how many pre-tertiary peer-to-peer sexual misconduct cases were reported to the Ministry at the (i) primary and (ii) secondary levels, respectively; and (b) what support is available for families in counselling such students and what is the protocols if parents decline intervention services for the alleged perpetrator.

40. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Education in its ongoing refinement to the PSLE and Secondary 1 posting framework, whether the Ministry is willing to consider measures to strengthen socio-economic mixing in oversubscribed schools, including but not limited to setting aside a small number of places for students from disadvantaged backgrounds or introducing a socio-economic tie-breaker in instances requiring balloting.

41. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the proportion of Character and Citizenship Education lesson time spent on compulsory financial literacy-related curricula in (i) primary and (ii) secondary levels, respectively; (b) whether the Ministry evaluates any metrics amongst parents and students in each school to assess the effectiveness of these contents; and (c) if so, what these metrics show across educational levels.

42. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Education in view of the rapidly evolving job market requiring continual updating of skills, whether the Ministry would consider providing all adult Singaporeans with a new round of SkillsFuture funding or subsidies.

43. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how many government-funded PhD scholarships in science disciplines were awarded to (i) Singapore Citizens (ii) Permanent Residents and (iii) international students, respectively, over the past five years; (b) what is the average scholarship value per student by group; (c) what is the proportion in each group that failed to complete their bond obligations; and (d) what recovery mechanisms are triggered in default cases.

44. **Mr Foo Cexiang:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry can provide a breakdown of PSLE results by percentage of Achievement Level scoring bands for (i) English Language (ii) Mother Tongue Language (iii) Mathematics and (iv) Science for the past three years.

45. **Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) under what circumstances will the Ministry suspend or terminate a caterer's operations under the Central Kitchen Meal Model; and (b) what contingency protocols exist to ensure that students continue to have access to school meals during such periods of operational suspensions.

46. **Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Minister for Education in respect of the recent gastroenteritis outbreak at North View Primary School (a) what protocols govern the timeframe for confirming such outbreaks; (b) whether these protocols were followed in this case; and (c) if not, whether the Ministry will review these protocols to ensure more timely outbreak detection, confirmation and parent notification.

47. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Education of the approximate 2,880 Singaporean children who did not participate in the 2025 Primary One Registration Exercise (a) how many of them (i) are in the process of or (ii) have received placement in special education (SPED) schools; and (b) what is the average time taken for a child to secure a place in a SPED school.

48. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) for each of the past five years, what proportion of PhD students in science disciplines at each autonomous university are (i) Singapore Citizens (ii) Permanent Residents and (iii) international students, respectively; and (b) how have these proportions evolved compared to 20 years ago.

49. **Mr Sanjeev Kumar Tiwari:** To ask the Minister for Education given the rise in involuntary part-time or temporary employment among fresh polytechnic graduates from 1.5% in 2023 to 2.3% in 2025 as well as those not securing employment from 4.7% in 2023 to 11.5% in 2025, (a) what factors have contributed to these increases; and (b) whether there are any concerns with this trend.

50. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education how secondary schools use information received on students with special educational needs from primary schools to (i) plan early interventions (ii) allocate resources (iii) determine appropriate class placement and (iv) determine whether preparations are made before students enter Secondary One to ensure continuity of support where formal declaration is optional.

51. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how schools determine when a student requires a shadow teacher or in-class support aide; (b) what is the role and scope of such support; and (c) how schools support students from lower-income families where engaging a privately funded shadow teacher may not be feasible.

52. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what proportion of Special Education (SPED) school graduates in 2022, 2023 and 2024 were placed into employment within one year of graduation; (b) of these graduates, what proportion remained in employment as of end 2025; and (c) whether the Ministry will publish annual SPED graduate employment data comparable to the Graduate Employment Survey for universities.

53. **Assoc Prof Kenneth Goh:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether student-athletes representing Singapore at major games who take lighter academic course loads at school due to national training or competition requirements incur additional tuition or administrative fees as a result of a longer time-to-graduation; and (b) if so, whether any Government support is provided to mitigate such costs.

54. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether additional measures are planned to further support the sustainability of the Individual Stallholder System; and (b) what are the Government's expectations for the number of schools that will adopt the Central Kitchen Meal Model by 2030.

55. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower over the last five years, how many mothers have re-entered the workforce after a caregiving break through the Career Conversion Programme and the SkillsFuture Career Transition Programme, respectively.

56. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower for each year from 2021 to 2025, what is the number of discrimination complaints received by the Ministry and the Tripartite Alliance for Fair and Progressive Employment Practices (TAFEP) with breakdown by types of discrimination.

57. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Manpower for the last three years (a) what is the number of Singaporeans categorised as Not in Employment, Education or Training (NEETs), broken down by age group; (b) what is the median duration these individuals remain as NEETs; and (c) what percentage of Singaporean NEETs aged 40 and above have remained outside the workforce for more than 12 months.

58. **Mr Sanjeev Kumar Tiwari:** To ask the Minister for Manpower what are the Ministry's plans to tackle the issue of increasing numbers of long-term unemployed resident professionals, managers, executives and technicians (PMETs) aged 50 and above, notwithstanding that their overall unemployment and long-term unemployment rates remain low.

59. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) of the approximately 140 HDB blocks identified in 2025 as lacking direct lift access, how many were offered the Lift Upgrading Programme (LUP) in the past year; and (b) what is the current number of blocks where same-floor lift access remains unfeasible due to technical or cost constraints.

60. **Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether there has been an increasing number of applications for the enhanced Lift Access Housing Grant (LHG) that pays up to \$80,000 since April 2025; and (b) if not, whether HDB plans to conduct more outreach efforts to inform the relevant HDB flat owners about the enhanced LHG.

61. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what percentage of playgrounds and outdoor fitness stations within HDB estates and public parks are currently sheltered; and (b) whether the Government will consider providing specific funds to retrofit existing public facilities with shelters so as to improve the well-being of children and seniors using them.

62. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether there is a decrease in the local population of wild boars following the 2023 African Swine Fever (ASF); (b) whether changes in the wild boar population due to the ASF outbreak have impacted forest biodiversity; and (c) what measures are being taken or considered to manage any potential ecological imbalance caused by changes in the wild boar population.

63. **Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the number of complaints on pest bird nuisance received in the last five years; (b) what measures have NParks and other government agencies adopted to reduce pest bird nuisance in the last five years and how effective are these measures; and (c) whether the Ministry is adopting more measures to effectively manage pest bird nuisance.

64. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Government has considered pro-rating the Additional Buyer's Stamp Duty (ABSD) remission timeline for developers by the size of the residential development as measured by Gross Floor Area (GFA) or projected number of residential units; and (b) if not, why not.

65. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for National Development regarding the revised budget meal scheme (a) what measures will ensure compliance with standards of meal quality and portions; (b) whether participating stalls are permitted to set daily quantity limits; and (c) whether additional incentives will be considered for operators or stallholders providing budget meal options exceeding the minimum requirements.

66. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Acting Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs (a) how many shophouses in Kampong Glam are on wakaf land; and (b) how does MUIS intend to preserve the cultural identity and historical value of such shophouses.

67. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) how the Ministry assesses noise generated by roads, MRT lines and airports as part of transport system design; (b) whether cumulative noise exposure on nearby residents is considered; and (c) how noise mitigation is prioritised alongside capacity and efficiency objectives in transport system design.

68. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) over the past five years, how effective have existing noise barriers, low-noise pavements and rail modifications been in reducing residential noise levels; (b) how are their effectiveness measured; and (c) whether newer technologies or standards will be adopted.

69. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) how long-term transport expansion plans account for residential liveability near expressways and MRT corridors; (b) whether alternative alignments or design trade-offs are considered to reduce noise; and (c) how is feedback from residents incorporated into planning decisions.

70. **Mr Ng Chee Meng:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport with respect to the target of deploying 60,000 electric (EV) charging points by 2030 (a) how the Ministry plans to increase charging points at HDB carparks in high demand areas; and (b) whether the Ministry accounts for residents' expected growing demand for EVs in deciding where to allocate EV charging points.

71. **Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport how the Ministry will improve the reliability of early morning train services by (i) preventing early departures and (ii) reducing long intervals, so that essential and shift based workers who rely on pre-peak travel can plan their journeys with confidence.

72. **Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport whether the Ministry will introduce clearer accountability measures for extended or irregular wait times for train service, such as providing late slip notices when delays exceed the norm, so that commuters are not penalised at work or school for disruptions beyond their control.

73. **Mr Foo Cexiang:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport with reference to recent reports that more car buyers intend to purchase or return to internal combustion engine vehicles over electric vehicles, how does the Ministry plan to address concerns such as public-charger quality, charging interoperability and being risk-averse to other advanced technologies, to ensure that Singapore remains on track for The Green Plan.

74. **Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether MRT train frequencies currently operate on fixed timetables or dynamic schedules responsive to real-time demand; (b) what specific thresholds of platform crowding, loading or other metrics trigger the injection of additional trains; and (c) how frequently are these thresholds reviewed against actual commuter feedback.

75. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport following the withdrawal of Service 43M (a) what are the observed peak-hour waiting times, headway regularity and left-behind rates for Service 43 at bus stops along Buangkok Green; and (b) whether the Ministry has assessed or plans to implement measures to improve capacity or service regularity to address prolonged waits.

76. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Government has considered having private hire car and taxi rental companies place rental deposits in escrow; (b) if so, what are the assess costs and benefits from such a measure; and (c) if not, why not.

77. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport what is the breakdown of electric vehicle chargers in Singapore by (i) alternating current versus direct current type and (ii) kilowatt rating.

78. **Mr Abdul Muhamin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Public Transport Council had conducted the Public Transport Customer Satisfaction Survey (PTCSS) in 2024; and (b) if so, when will the findings for the surveys conducted in (i) 2024 and (ii) 2025 be published.

79. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) in 2025, what is the annual number of Malaysia-registered motorcycles entering Singapore daily; and (b) of these motorcycles, how many were involved in an accident in Singapore in 2025.

80. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry has assessed, using origin-destination demand, transfer volumes, journey times, and capacity utilisation data, the feasibility of looping an existing bus service along Buangkok Green, such as Service 88, into the Buangkok Crescent bus stops serving Buangkok Square Mall to provide a direct bus connection to Ang Mo Kio MRT station; and (b) if so, what were the findings.

81. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) whether time-based or location-specific alternatives have been considered to balance the needs of pedestrians and of youth dancers at Bayfront MRT station, instead of the deterrent measures adopted; (b) whether there are plans to designate or pilot public spaces to support youth arts activities; and (c) how does the Ministry assess the use of public spaces for cultural and community value.

82. **Assoc Prof Kenneth Goh:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) how does the Ministry encourage the adoption of coaching, safety and governance standards among sport programmes operated by private commercial entities, industry partners, or community groups; (b) whether adherence to these standards is voluntary or are they required to partner national sports associations; and (c) what levers beyond engagement or accreditation exist to incentivise the adoption of these standards.

83. **Assoc Prof Kenneth Goh:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) whether the Ministry monitors the continuity of sport participation among youths who apply for DSA (Sports and Games), including those not admitted; (b) what proportion of athletes in national youth or senior pathways entered secondary school via DSA, Singapore Sports School, or non-DSA routes; and (c) how can early selection outcomes minimise avoidable attrition, especially among late developers or less advantaged youths.

84. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) how many Singapore households have claimed the 2026 \$300 CDC vouchers; (b) what proportion of that value has been spent at heartland businesses; and (c) how does Government assess the impact of CDC vouchers on household consumption and small business resilience.
