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**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER**

- \*1. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what is the intended duration of the Free Morning Off-Peak Rail Rides scheme on the North-East Line (NEL); (b) whether the Government is committed to making the scheme permanent in order to drive a sustained shift in travel patterns; and (c) if so, whether that commitment is contingent on plans to further increase NEL peak-hour capacity, if any.
- \*2. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Education what additional measures are being considered to address the high stress levels reported by teachers in the recent OECD TALIS 2024 study, particularly regarding support for their mental health and well-being.
- \*3. Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Minister for Education given the OECD Teaching and Learning International Survey 2024 finding that only 12% of teachers are aged under 30, with 40% of this group intending to leave within the next five years (a) whether the low proportion of younger teachers is an intended policy outcome; and (b) how are beginning teachers supported to manage the increasing demands of this noble profession.
- \*4. Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry is taking any specific steps to further reduce non-instructional duties for teachers, especially marking and administrative work; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider employing full-time employees to assist teachers in communications and event management, amongst other duties, in order to allow teachers to focus on teaching and coaching our children.
- \*5. Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Education in light of the finding by the OECD Teaching and Learning International Survey (TALIS) 2024 dated 7 October 2025 about the increasing complexity of the teaching profession, what are the specific aspects of the teaching profession in Singapore identified by the Ministry with potential for immediate improvement, especially for teachers' welfare.
- \*6. Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Public Services and Minister for Defence (a) what have been the recent trends in the number of full-time National Servicemen (NSFs) declaring psychological or mental health conditions prior to enlistment or seeking support while in service; and (b) what measures are in place to ensure appropriate support for those with real needs.
- \*7. Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Government has received any information from platform workers about delayed or missing CPF contributions when they join a new platform operator; and (b) if so, whether the Ministry will consider reviewing its operational processes and introduce measures to ensure that CPF contributions are properly made.

- \*8. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what percentage of questions in the 2025 PSLE papers for each of the four main subjects were classified as challenging questions; (b) whether such questions require application of knowledge beyond the school syllabus; and (c) what measures the Ministry has in place to ensure that students who cannot afford private tuition are not disadvantaged by such examination questions.
- \*9. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry considers that the academic rigour required to excel in the PSLE, such as rote memorisation and test-taking abilities (i) reflects the skills our youths need to thrive in the AI-driven economy, (ii) nurtures a lifelong love of learning and (iii) compares favourably with inquiry-based and collaborative learning approaches more common in other internationally recognised primary school curricula.
- \*10. **Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs whether the Ministry can provide an update on the police efforts to patrol and effectively eradicate the bullying and assault incidents outside the temples along Waterloo Mall where illegal hawking is rife.
- \*11. **Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng:** To ask the Minister for Law whether the Ministry can provide an update on the outcomes of the Singapore Land Authority's coordination efforts to preserve orderliness of the Waterloo Mall especially outside the temples where illegal hawking is rife.
- \*12. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health in light of a recent survey findings that caregivers of persons with dementia spend on average over 200 hours and \$2,000 monthly on care after subsidies (a) whether existing assistance adequately offsets the financial and psychological strain on the caregivers; (b) whether subsidies and allowance for dementia care will be reviewed; and (c) how pathways to access support can be improved.
- \*13. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment with respect to the projects and events for NEA's Clean & Green Singapore (CGS) Day 2025 (a) whether NEA will consider extending such projects and events islandwide to encourage more Singaporeans to adopt sustainable practices, conserve biodiversity, and foster a more gracious society; and (b) whether NEA intends to set targets and objectives for these projects and events.
- \*14. **Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Ministry will advise all Government agencies to avoid having unfair clauses in all Government tender specifications, in view of the feedback from the Singapore Institute of Architects on the unfair clauses in the Singapore University of Social Sciences' tender documents.
- \*15. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs what are the regulatory safeguards for consumers who choose to purchase from e-commerce platforms that facilitate consumer-to-consumer (C2C) transactions, given that a number of such platforms have consistent poor rankings in the E-commerce Marketplace Transaction Safety Ratings.
- \*16. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Manpower since the start of 2025 (a) how many companies have failed to inform the Ministry before they started retrenching their employees; (b) whether an online travel booking platform is one of such companies that failed to inform the Ministry; and (c) what actions were taken by the Ministry in these cases of non-compliance of the Mandatory Retrenchment Notification.

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- \*17. Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) in the last three years, how many complaints has the Ministry received regarding severance agreements which contain clauses discouraging staff from approaching authorities or unions; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider legislation to prohibit such coercive clauses to better protect workers' rights.
- \*18. Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in respect of the retrenchment by an online travel booking platform (a) at what stage did tripartite partners become aware of inappropriate clauses in the severance agreements; (b) whether this was through proactive monitoring or public reporting; and (c) what proactive audit mechanisms exists to prevent the inclusion of clauses that undermine a worker's right to seek redress in severance agreements.
- \*19. Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry has plans to review employer practices on the acceptances of mental health-related medical certificates; and (b) whether further measures will be introduced to prevent discrimination or adverse employment outcomes for affected individuals.
- \*20. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what proportion of cases monitored by the New Environment Action Team (NEAT) have resulted in HDB taking enforcement action against owners to clear the inside of their flats; and (b) how does NEAT work with existing befriending structures and local agencies such as People's Association and town councils.
- \*21. Ms Mariam Jaafar:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how many children are currently diagnosed with rare diseases requiring high-cost or long-term treatment; (b) to what extent are their treatment costs supported under subsidy schemes including the Rare Disease Fund; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider expanding support for children with rare diseases to cover related costs such as home-based medical equipment, transport, nutritional needs or caregiving.
- \*22. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) in each of the past three years, how many kilometres of resurfaced roads were re-excavated and what was the estimated cost to taxpayers; (b) what binding powers does the Road Opening Coordination Committee hold to compel a consolidated dig-once schedule; and (c) why is the Common Services Tunnel model not applicable to new HDB towns and major redevelopment zones.
- \*23. Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) what is the utilisation rate of the SG60 \$100 credit top-up for ActiveSG users; and (b) whether SportSG is implementing more programmes to encourage more Singaporeans to use the ActiveSG facilities and adopt a more active lifestyle.
- \*24. Ms Lee Hui Ying:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether there are plans to designate additional Silver Zones beyond the planned 50; (b) if yes, when is the next phase of implementation; and (c) if no, whether LTA will review the Silver Zone plans, given the needs of our continually ageing population.
- \*25. Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry has studied the impact of statutory study or training leave policies on the upskilling of workers in other countries; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider introducing such leave entitlements in Singapore to support skills upgrading, lifelong learning, and workforce adaptability in a changing economy.

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- \*26. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for National Development considering that approximately 90% of private Heavy Vehicle (HV) lots are not accessible for public enquiry on lot availability, whether the relevant Government agencies will take this into account in their assessment of the adequacy of HV lots islandwide.
- \*27. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether an individual who has attended the Drug Rehabilitation Centre will be regarded as not meeting the fit and proper criteria for a career in the financial services industry.
- \*28. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in the past three years (a) what is the number of (i) finance (ii) accounting (iii) human resources and (iv) information technology positions outsourced or relocated overseas; (b) how many such positions have been converted to contract arrangements; (c) whether there are measures to safeguard job security and progression for locals in these roles; and (d) if so, what are the measures.
- \*29. **Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information regarding Google's implementation of age assurance measures in Singapore (a) whether the Ministry has reached out to their counterparts in the USA, UK, and selected markets in the European Economic Area for relevant learning points; (b) if so, what are they; and (c) whether the Ministry is aware whether similar measures will be implemented by other online portals in the near future.
- \*30. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport whether LTA will consider introducing a feeder bus service to serve Compassvale Crescent as some residents will need to travel more than 400 metres to reach the nearest bus stop.
- \*31. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance what measures are in place to ensure that Singaporeans who are temporarily without a fixed residential address, particularly retirees who rent out their flats to earn income but stay with friends or relatives, are not excluded from Government support schemes like the CDC vouchers and Climate vouchers.
- \*32. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs whether the Ministry will consider commissioning a study to evaluate the costs saved from electrical fire prevention measures in HDB estates, such as costs saved from averted (i) property damage, (ii) healthcare costs and (iii) emergency response costs, to better inform the cost-effectiveness and justification of future regulatory policies.
- \*33. **Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) how are the Ministry and the Energy Market Authority addressing the shortage of licensed electrical workers; and (b) what measures are in place to ensure succession planning given the ageing profile of current licence holders.
- \*34. **Mr Foo Cexiang:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) in the past three years, what is the number of cases where a migrant domestic worker's (MDW) medical fees surpassed \$60,000; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider increasing the minimum annual claim limit or encourage insurance providers to increase the optional enhanced coverage sums under MDW's medical insurance policies.

- \*35. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether the Ministry will consider updating the organ donation scheme by (a) strengthening legislation for the legal protection and enforceability of organ donors' decisions under the Human Organ Transplant Act 1987, the Medical (Therapy, Education and Research) Act 1972 and for the Brain Bank Singapore; and (b) consolidating organ, body and brain donations under a single national registry.
- \*36. **Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what data the Ministry tracks on actual Primary 6 curriculum time spent on PSLE preparation, including studying of past papers and past questions, broken down by subject; (b) whether this has trended upwards or downwards since the removal of mid-year examinations; and (c) if no such data is collected, why not.
- \*37. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Ministry will consider expanding permissible uses of Child Development Account (CDA) funds to subsidise enrichment classes or programmes beyond preschools; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider applying means-testing to future CDA fund top-ups to uplift lower-income households more equitably.
- \*38. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry was approached by the National University of Singapore or any affected parties such as faculty or administrative staff for assistance with the new five-day work-from-office policy; (b) if so, what guidance was given; and (c) what is the Ministry's assessment on whether such policies will affect talent acquisition policies of the university and the broader sector.
- \*39. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information in light of the Government's decision to share classified threat intelligence with organisations in critical sectors (a) what measures are in place to ensure that sensitive information will remain safeguarded to minimise vulnerability exposures; and (b) whether the Government can share an update on the progress of measures to strengthen our Singaporean core for cybersecurity in critical sectors.
- \*40. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what studies have the Ministry conducted on the extent of lottery gambling addiction in Singapore; (b) whether the Ministry will review the current policy of not requiring identification for lottery purchases at Singapore Pools physical outlets; and (c) whether self exclusions and family exclusion orders can be extended to these outlets.
- \*41. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the Ministry is aware of late payment practices to suppliers, particularly in the food and beverage sector; (b) if so, what is the scale of such practices; and (c) what measures are the Government considering to protect small suppliers from late payments by larger buyers.
- \*42. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether the Ministry will consider tracking incidents of knife crimes involving offenders with mental health issues for further prevention and intervention strategies; and (b) if not, why not.
- \*43. **Ms Mariam Jaafar:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health in light of recent reports on a rise in malnutrition among older Singaporeans (a) to what extent are social isolation, mental health, and financial constraints contributing factors to such under-nutrition; and (b) how is the Ministry coordinating efforts with community partners to address these factors alongside medical interventions.

- \*44. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what strategies are in place to manage usage and reduce hogging at public carparks with limited EV charging stations; and (b) whether a cost review is underway, given the disparity between public EV charging rates and home electricity tariffs.
- \*45. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how the Ministry defines the professionalisation of skilled trades in providing multiple pathways to success; (b) what measures will ensure their viability as alternatives to university education; (c) what measurable wage growth targets will be set to track the success of this initiative; and (d) whether there are plans to enforce regulations requiring the engagement of licensed tradespersons.
- \*46. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how many small and medium-sized enterprise (SME) contractors and sub-contractors have benefitted from the WSH Advocate Programme to date; and (b) what further support can be provided to help smaller firms with limited resources achieve WSH (Workplace Safety and Health) accreditation such as BizSAFE Level 3.
- \*47. Mr Ang Wei Neng:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what are the factors that have contributed to the higher number of babies born in 2024; and (b) whether Singapore's long-term population parameter that is used for infrastructure planning will remain at 6.9 million given that the population has crossed 6 million for the first time in 2024.
- \*48. Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what regulatory safeguards, if any, are in place in Career Conversion Programmes to prevent the inclusion of unfair contractual terms requiring trainees to pay liquidated damages when termination is initiated by the employer; and (b) how will the Government ensure that employers do not recover from trainees more than the actual training costs incurred by them under the programmes.
- \*49. Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Government will consider (i) establishing clear guidelines on prohibited contractual terms in Career Conversion Programmes to safeguard trainees in employer-initiated terminations, (ii) ensuring that trainees are informed of these guidelines and (iii) providing trainees with access to advice on the fairness of employer-set terms, especially where contractually liquidated damages exceed programme fees or appear disproportionate to training costs.
- \*50. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) what proportion of Singapore's critical digital infrastructure relies on a few major global cloud providers and what is the assessed national security risk from this concentration; and (b) how will the proposed Digital Infrastructure Act mandate higher reliability, contingency planning, and transparency standards for these providers to mitigate this risk.
- \*51. Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry in respect of the Energy Efficiency Grant (EEG) (a) whether the removal of the minimum eligibility criterion of at least one local employee at the firm-level was communicated to prospective applicants; (b) if so, when and how; and (c) whether the Ministry has seen an increase in the number of applications as a result.
- \*52. Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the current learning support programmes sufficiently support students with greater learning needs; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider expanding the learning support programmes to include all primary school subjects and levels.

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- \*53. Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what lessons on gastroenteritis outbreaks at pre-schools have the Ministry learnt, particularly after a recent spate of cases in the past two months; (b) were these lessons shared with other pre-schools; and (c) what steps are being taken to ensure that operators maintain high standards of hygiene, if any.
- \*54. Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how many validated complaints have been received by the Ministry in the first six months of 2025 regarding employers failing to pay workers the minimum salaries stipulated by the Progressive Wage Model; and (b) how this compares to the same period in previous years.
- \*55. Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport whether the Ministry will consider aligning the eligibility criteria for Public Transport Vouchers (PTVs) with those of the Community Health Assist Scheme (CHAS) to provide greater clarity and understanding for residents.
- \*56. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry can share preliminary investigation findings from the crane incident that occurred at the HDB worksite in Sin Ming on 10 October 2025; and (b) whether safety measures will be strengthened to better protect workers in lifting and dismantling operations.
- \*57. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) what is Singapore's current position on diplomatic relations with Syria's new leadership; and (b) whether the Ministry is exploring opportunities for trade, reconstruction, and humanitarian engagement with Syria.
- \*58. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in respect of the introduction of caning for vaping-related trafficking offences (a) whether there are any demographic groups such as juveniles, women or elderly persons who will be legally exempt from caning under this regime; and (b) what is the Ministry's risk assessment that criminal syndicates will exploit such exempt groups for recruitment as mules.
- \*59. Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether Police Full-time police national servicemen (NSFs) authorised to carry firearms undergo mental-health assessments before firearms issuance and at set intervals during National Service; (b) whether peer or supervisor reports can trigger immediate temporary disarmament and review; and (c) whether Police NSFs have the same in-house mental-health resources as regular Home Team officers, or receive dedicated or additional support.
- \*60. Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether routine checks are still being conducted on the mental health of police and auxiliary police officers handling firearms; (b) what are the latest measures to ensure that officers are fit to handle the weapons for each assignment; and (c) what are the support and treatment programs currently in place for officers facing challenges.
- \*61. Ms Sylvia Lim:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what is the talent search process used, if any, when advising the President on appointments to the post of Attorney-General; and (b) whether other candidates were considered before the decision was made to recommend to the President that the current Attorney-General be re-appointed for a fourth three-year term.

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- \*62. **Ms Lee Hui Ying:** To ask the Minister for Education whether there are plans to expand more animal welfare and anti-cruelty themes and modules in the education syllabus by including them as part of the voluntary learning modules on the Student Learning Space or incorporating them into exam and practice questions in the academic curriculum.
- \*63. **Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development what steps have been taken with our ASEAN partners to establish common regional standards to protect against child trafficking in intercountry adoptions.
- \*64. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how does the Ministry determine the focus areas of Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) at each educational level; and (b) how frequently are these areas reviewed to stay relevant to emerging societal issues.
- \*65. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Education what proportion of a school's annual budget is typically allocated to programmes and activities under Character and Citizenship Education.
- \*66. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Education for each of the past three years, what proportion of total expenditure on Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) was spent on engaging vendors to deliver programs and conduct activities related to CCE.
- \*67. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry tracks the number of employers who voluntarily adopt the National Wages Council 2024/2025 Guidelines; (b) if so, what percentage of employers have adopted the guidelines for a wage increase of at least 5.5% for workers earning less than \$2,500 per month; and (c) how this compares with adoption of previous years' guidelines.
- \*68. **Mr Foo Cexiang:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry has assessed the potential impact of the Johor-Singapore Special Economic Zone (JS-SEZ) on the competitiveness of our maritime and aviation hubs; and (b) what are the strategies to strengthen the competitiveness of these hubs.
- \*69. **Mr Pritam Singh:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) what is the total cost of the upgrading works for the Eunus Community Club; (b) what facilities have been set aside for upgrading at a later date; and (c) when are these deferred works slated to commence.
- \*70. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance with regard to the advisory letters from MAS to five content creators for providing unlicensed financial advice (a) how does MAS ensure that past materials left accessible online no longer carry the risk of misleading consumers of financial products; and (b) what interim enforcement actions will MAS conduct before the guidelines on responsible online financial content come into effect in March 2026.
- \*71. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs what is Singapore's assessment of the developments in Myanmar, in particular the announced plans for elections in late 2025 or early 2026.
- \*72. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs since 2022 (a) how many cases involving potential Singaporean victims being baited by scam syndicates to work overseas have been reported to the Police; (b) whether there have been any cases of Singaporeans requesting assistance from the Government to escape overseas scam syndicates; and (c) if so, how many.



- \*73. Ms Mariam Jaafar:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry what are the key governance, regulatory and commercial hurdles that Singapore must overcome to ensure that wind-power imports will come onstream smoothly and reliably in time under the Vietnam-Malaysia-Singapore offshore wind power project.
- \*74. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) under what conditions will the protected species' status of wildlife animal be reconsidered when it causes repeated economic damage to private property; (b) what criteria are used to classify an animal as a pest animal; and (c) whether otters meet such criteria.
- \*75. Mr Foo Cexiang:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether LTA has detected any trend of car dealers bidding up COE premiums while keeping vehicle sale prices relatively stable; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider only allowing prospective vehicle buyers to bid for new COEs, rather than dealers.
- \*76. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Chief Valuer applies a discount or multiplier to resale transactions used as comparables when valuing land for Build-To-Order flats; and (b) if so, what is the average factor for (i) Standard (ii) Plus and (iii) Prime projects respectively.
- \*77. Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the Ministry will be undertaking a review of the policies on the location, frequency, and design of designated smoking areas within municipal boundaries to better protect residents against involuntary exposure to second-hand smoke.
- \*78. Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry can provide an update on the review of the Direct School Admission (DSA) scheme, specifically whether the review remains among the Ministry's 2025 priorities; (b) if so, when the outcomes will be released; and (c) if not, why it has been deprioritised.
- \*79. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will put in place a process to collect data on the prevalence of employee stress, burnout, anxiety and depression, according to sector and occupation, so as to better inform targeted prevention and intervention efforts.
- \*80. Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what are the current levels and trends of foreign participation in Singapore's commercial and industrial property markets over the past five years, including acquisitions and ownership patterns; and (b) to what extent does the Ministry assess such foreign participation to have influenced commercial rent movements over the same period.
- \*81. Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what are the current requirements when considering the feasibility of converting HDB carpark spaces for alternative uses such as sports or recreational spaces; (b) whether exceptions can be considered, relaxing requirements in estates where carpark space utilisation is persistently low; and (c) whether HDB will consider allowing greater flexibility to meet community needs.
- \*82. Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) on the number of complaints MAS or the related agencies received with regards to unsatisfactory or disputed insurance claims in each of the last three years; and (b) whether the current dispute resolution framework and mechanism has been adequate to reasonably and fairly resolve insurance claims disputes.

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- \*83. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth what are the learning points from the discontinued free Marine Parade shuttle bus trial that will be applied to future assessments of Community Development Council funds disbursements for free or discounted transport offerings.
- \*84. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how many mobile dental clinics are currently serving those schools without dental clinics; (b) what is the waiting time for (i) primary (ii) secondary and (iii) Special Education (SPED) schools to secure these mobile dental clinics; and (c) how frequently do the mobile dental clinics visit these schools.
- \*85. Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport in view that wheelchairs and other Personal Mobility Aids (PMAs) are allowed on board public buses and trains (a) how many cases have been reported on deliberate property and train damage caused by PMAs; and (b) how will the Ministry support public transport workers in providing advisories to errant PMA users in a safe and empowered manner.
- \*86. Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what are the percentages of Public Service jobs posted since January 2024 which (i) waive formal academic qualifications and (ii) employ skills-based assessment as the primary hiring criterion; and (b) what specific measures, targets and timeline has the Public Service established to accelerate the adoption of skills-based hiring across agencies.
- \*87. Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether focus studies have been done to assess the specific needs of workers who care for elderly parents and young children; (b) if so, what were the outcomes of such studies; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider a distinct “Sandwich Generation Leave” to take into account families with more than one child and/or have elderly parents to tend to.
- \*88. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) given counsellor allocation relies on reported caseloads, how does the Ministry distinguish genuinely low need from demand suppressed by limited counsellor access; (b) what prospective metrics identify unmet need; and (c) are educators' own mental health needs incorporated in the allocation.
- \*89. Mr Darryl David:** To ask the Minister for Education what further support will be provided to educators in special education schools in terms of ensuring their mental and emotional wellbeing.
- \*90. Mr Darryl David:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry can provide an update on the number of students who have progressed from special education (SPED) schools into ITE programmes in the last five years, both as an absolute number and as a percentage of the total number of students from the same cohort; and (b) whether there are plans for more SPED to ITE transitions in the future.
- \*91. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether MAS has conducted money laundering investigations into the Cambodia-based network designated as a transnational criminal organisation by the US in October 2025, and its related entities; and (b) whether MAS had conducted investigations on the individuals and Singapore-registered entities affiliated with the network before they were named by the US Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control.

- \*92. Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance in view that close to 70% of companies in Singapore have not offered scheduled teleworking arrangements in 2023 (a) whether an update can be provided on whether the two-day work-from-home arrangement remains as the default working arrangements in the Civil Service; and (b) if so, why.
- \*93. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport with regard to the “cut-and-fill” approach to reassign COE quota supply (a) from May 2023 till to date, how many quotas have been reassigned from guaranteed deregistrations of 5-year non-extendable COEs and the standard 10-year COEs; and (b) whether the Ministry has any further medium-term plans to equalise the COE supply across years to eliminate the peak-and-trough cycle of COE prices.
- \*94. Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will consider expanding the number of places in educational and developmental psychology master's programmes at Singapore's universities to support the needs of neurodiverse children; and (b) what additional measures are being taken to address the shortage, if any, of educational psychologists needed to support inclusive education and neurodiverse students in Singapore.
- \*95. Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in light of recent announcement by foreign firms of staff cuts in Singapore (a) what measures are the Government adopting to maintain employment stability and attract or retain multinational investments; and (b) whether there are targeted supports or retraining programs for affected workers in sectors impacted by such downsizing.
- \*96. Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in view of the recent joint advisory by the Ministry and the Visual, Audio, Creative Content Professionals Association (Singapore) (VICPA) on engaging foreign freelancers without valid work passes, how will the Ministry enforce the Employment of Foreign Manpower Act 1990 to effectively curb illegal freelance work in Singapore's creative sector.
- \*97. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry will look into residents' concerns that laundry rack designs under the Home Improvement Programme may be impractical and problematic; (b) whether residents can opt out of having the new laundry racks; and (c) whether future designs can be developed with inputs from residents to meet their practical needs.
- \*98. Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) for the past five years, what were the post-graduation employment rates of ITE graduates with special educational needs who were employed within (i) six months, (ii) one year and (iii) two years of graduation; and (b) what proportion of these employed graduates are in sectors or job roles directly related to their course of study.
- \*99. Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the Ministry has data on the total number of local farms that currently offer public tours or educational visits; (b) if so, what is the breakdown between land-based and sea-based farms; and (c) what enhanced steps and incentives are the Ministry taking to encourage more local farms to offer public engagement activities, strengthening community appreciation and boosting demand for local produce.
- \*100. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport in relation to the further additional subsidy of more than \$200 million for 2026 to cover the deferred 9.4% fare adjustment quantum for public transportation (a) how was the subsidy quantum derived by the Ministry; and (b) what is the source of such funding.

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- \*101. Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether there are established protocols for the early triaging and referral of scam victims showing signs of acute psychological distress; and (b) how the Ministry ensures that these individuals are provided with timely access to trained Victim Care Officers, mental health professionals, or appropriate community resources.
- \*102. Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Education regarding canteen stalls at schools and Institutes of Higher Learning (a) whether there has been a trend of increasing hygiene or food safety quality problems since 2022; (b) how often are the stalls inspected for adherence to hygiene practices; and (c) what are the lessons that can be learnt from recent incidents to prevent mass food poisoning problems.
- \*103. Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what are the suicide and attempted suicide rates among seniors aged 60 and above over the past five years, disaggregated by age, gender, race, and housing type; (b) whether the Ministry has identified common psychosocial factors and if so, what are they; and (c) how existing mental health and social care programmes are tailored for elderly suicide prevention.
- \*104. Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry will consider offering Singapore Sign Language as a language elective for Singapore students in secondary schools.
- \*105. Mr Darryl David:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry can provide an update on the partnership arrangements between special education schools and mainstream schools; and (b) whether there are future plans to strengthen such partnerships.

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### AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS Introduction of Government Bill

#### 1. Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth:

Singapore Sports Council (Amendment) Bill.

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### ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. Criminal Law (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Bill No. 15/2025] – (Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs) – Second Reading.
2. Workplace Fairness (Dispute Resolution) Bill [Bill No. 17/2025] – (Minister for Manpower) – Second Reading.
3. Corporate and Accounting Laws (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 13/2025] – (Second Minister for Finance) – Second Reading.

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4. Online Safety (Relief and Accountability) Bill [Bill No. 18/2025] – (Minister for Digital Development and Information) – Second Reading.  
[For amendments on the Bill, see Supplement No. 1 dated 4 November 2025.]
  5. Finance (Income Taxes) Bill [Bill No. 16/2025] – (Second Minister for Finance) – Second Reading.
  6. Regulation of Imports and Exports (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 14/2025] – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry) – Second Reading.
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### MEMORANDUM

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

Dr Charlene Chen : Strengthening the Mental Resilience of Our Young.  
(Tampines)

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### QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the local single family office associated with individuals sanctioned by the US for alleged transnational criminal activities on 14 October 2025 received tax incentives under the tax incentive scheme for family offices.
2. **Ms Sylvia Lim:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether family offices are being misused to facilitate money laundering in Singapore; and (b) if so, what steps will the Government take to address it.
3. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Government proactively monitors cases where insurance companies have unreasonably denied or litigated legitimate claims, in addition to acting on complaints; and (b) what actions has the Government taken to penalise errant insurers for such behaviour.
4. **Ms Sylvia Lim:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Monetary Authority of Singapore will work with banks to recalibrate anti-scam measures so that friction in transactions is reduced in prescribed "whitelist" situations, for example, when account holders are making transfers to themselves or to Government agencies.
5. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Ministry will consider updating its 2015 Occasional Paper on Income Growth, Inequality, and Mobility Trends in Singapore; and (b) whether the updated paper can also provide insights on the state of wealth inequality in Singapore and its trends.
6. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry whether an update can be provided on (i) the number of companies which have expressed interest to the Government on investing in the Johor-Singapore Special Economic Zone to date, (ii) a breakdown of these companies by industry type and (iii) the number of such companies having an annual revenue of less than \$100 million.

7. **Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry given China's recent curbs on the export of rare earth elements and related materials, what are the implications for Singapore's trade and technology sectors.
8. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether all SCDF ambulances are able to gain easy access to lift lobbies of private condominiums/apartments, considering the height restrictions of some sheltered/basement carparks; and (b) if not, what are the mitigation measures to ensure emergency services reach the person in distress promptly.
9. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) why was Datchinamurthy Kataiah's execution delayed; (b) whether his family was notified of the final execution time and allowed a final visit or telephone call; (c) whether it is the procedure of the Singapore Prison Service to notify families of death row prisoners of the execution time and permit final visits or calls; and (d) if not, why not.
10. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in respect of persons investigated or charged for scam mule offences (a) from January to June 2025, how many had unknowingly transferred funds or lost control of their accounts; and (b) what interim support will be provided to individuals restricted from banking services under the facilities restriction framework, to ensure they can receive and access their salaries or government benefits.
11. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs whether the Ministry has conducted research in Singapore showing if covert cameras are more effective than overt ones at tackling the prevalence of speeding offences.
12. **Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) in each of the last five years, how many cases of (i) child trafficking and (ii) illegal adoptions have the Singapore Police Force investigated; and (b) for each category of offences, how many cases have resulted in prosecutions and convictions, respectively, under the relevant laws including the Adoption of Children Act 2022.
13. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs regarding the student who was sentenced for selling her bank account for scam purposes, (a) whether the individuals who provided her with the scammers' contacts been identified, arrested or charged; and (b) what is the enforcement policy and penalties against individuals who do not sell their bank accounts but provide introductions and facilitate the commission of scams.
14. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs regarding oversight and control of firearms at police and auxiliary police units (a) how many instances of violations for the handling of firearms were there in the last 24 months; (b) how does the Ministry currently ensure the appropriate assignment and return of weapons; and (c) whether there are routine surprise audits or spot checks to enforce adherence to standard operating procedures.
15. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) in cases where the Courts have acquitted persons accused of being scam mules, whether restrictions under the new facility restriction framework will remain for their bank accounts; (b) what steps will be taken to immediately lift such restrictions, if any; and (c) whether any recourse is provided if the restriction harmed livelihoods.

16. **Mr Gabriel Lam:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether the Ministry will review the current vehicle licence classifications to account for the higher unladen weight of electric trucks caused by battery mass; and (b) whether electric vehicles with an unladen weight of up to 3,000kg may be driven under a Class 3 licence instead of a Class 4 licence.
17. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs whether the Ministry will review the Public Order Act to define organising an unauthorised gathering of more than five people outside the Istana as a specific chargeable offence.
18. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what criteria does the Clinical Advisory Committee consider for a medical condition to be included in the Chronic Disease Management Programme (CDMP); and (b) what are the reasons for the non-inclusion of eczema in the CDMP at this point in time.
19. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health for CHAS cardholders with chronic diseases, (a) what is the distribution of annual out-of-pocket spending by card tier and income decile; (b) what are the current utilisation rates and average unused balances; (c) what proportion of common chronic medications are in the Standard Drug List; and (d) whether there are plans to expand subsidies or reference pricing.
20. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) why there are significant disparities in medical report fees charged by different restructured hospitals for the activation of a Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA); (b) whether the Ministry will consider standardising and capping such fees to avoid undue financial burden on families; and (c) whether means-tested subsidies or financial assistance for LPA activation can be provided to families in need.
21. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry tracks data on the number of special needs children who have benefited from current healthcare subsidy schemes; (b) if so, what is the number; and (c) whether there are plans to study and identify potential gaps in healthcare subsidy coverage for special needs children.
22. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health for each of the last five years (a) what is the prevalence of screened anxiety and depressive symptoms among women aged 40 to 59 in public primary care; and (b) what are the wait times for such services.
23. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what is the roll-out plan to establish Active Ageing Centres (AACs) within private estates, yearly over the next five years; (b) how long does it take to establish each AAC; and (c) whether such timeline can be shortened.
24. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health what new initiatives or enhancements to existing Government programmes are being considered to expand support and outreach to single caregivers, particularly senior citizens who are living alone while caring for their dependents.
25. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether our restructured hospitals have been slowing down or reducing the hiring and placement of new nursing degree holders/diploma holders as well as early-career nurses since the start of 2025.

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26. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether targeted screening and counselling pathways for women aged 40–59 will be expanded in primary care and community settings, including menopause-informed GP training, and whether the Ministry will scale menopause support programmes and publish outcomes by age and income band.
27. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether vape detection sensors are used in schools and public institutions; (b) if so, whether there are regulatory and deployment standards governing their use including (i) approval requirements, (ii) technical specifications, (iii) data and privacy safeguards and (iv) redress for false alerts; and (c) whether such standards will be published and enforced for trials and permanent rollouts.
28. **Ms Mariam Jaafar:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health what training or certification pathways currently exist or are being developed for healthcare professionals to gain competencies in lifestyle medicine.
29. **Ms Mariam Jaafar:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether the Ministry is studying how the principles and practices of lifestyle medicine, such as evidence-based interventions in nutrition, physical activity, sleep, stress management and social connection, can be more systematically integrated into preventive care under Healthier SG.
30. **Mr Vikram Nair:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what is the current average waiting time for a nursing home bed; and (b) whether the Ministry intends to take any steps to reduce this waiting time.
31. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry will consider allowing younger Singaporeans below the age of 40 who suffer from multiple chronic health conditions to enrol in HealthierSG; and (b) if not, whether the Ministry will explore a mechanism for such exceptional cases to receive similar integrated care support, given the long-term benefits of early intervention and holistic management for chronic diseases.
32. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health regarding CareShield Life (a) how many active claimants are there by (i) 10-year age groups for example 30-40 years and 40-50 years and (ii) by types of major causes such as accidents, strokes, and hereditary diseases; and (b) what preventive healthcare strategies are in place to help reduce the incidence of severe disability in each age and vulnerability group.
33. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how many appeal cases have been received in each year since CareShield Life started in 2020; (b) what proportion of these appeals were successful; and (c) what were the lessons learned from these appeals to improve on the assessment process.
34. **Mr Ng Chee Meng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how many people have been living with dementia in the past five years; and (b) what is the projected trend for this figure as Singapore becomes a "super-aged" society.
35. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry tracks the prevalence of malnutrition among seniors in Singapore; and (b) if so, whether the Ministry can provide the annual malnutrition rate among seniors for the past five years.



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36. **Ms Hazlina Abdul Halim:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health regarding the Shared Stay-in Senior Care Services sandbox (a) what are the target objectives used to assess its effectiveness; (b) how effective has the caregiving model been in supporting seniors who live alone and require assisted living; and (c) what other enhanced support will be given to participating service providers.
37. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how does the intergenerational co-living model align with Singapore's broader senior housing strategy for our ageing population; and (b) what are the Ministry's expansion plans for this model over the next three to five years, including target numbers for sites and residents and criteria that will guide future site selection.
38. **Ms Ghoslee Kee:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether the Ministry will consider collecting data on lonely deaths and sharing it with social agencies, so they can better plan interventions and improve social support for vulnerable individuals.
39. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs in light of the recent interception of the Global Sumud Flotilla in alleged international waters (a) what is Singapore's position under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) on the limits of a State's sovereignty and enforcement rights beyond its territorial waters; and (b) how may such actions affect coastal states like Singapore in upholding the principles of freedom of navigation and the safe passage of civilian or humanitarian vessels.
40. **Mr Ng Chee Meng:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) for the past three months, what is the number of instances of non-compliance with regulatory noise limits detected by noise meters installed at the HDB BTO construction sites in Fernvale; (b) what is the breakdown of these instances by projects; and (c) what penalties have been imposed on such non-compliance.
41. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) whether there are assessments done to determine if there is adequate childcare/pre-school capacity within a precinct to serve the population; (b) if so, whether the assessment is refreshed after a set number of years; and (c) whether there has been any such assessment done for Changi within Pasir Ris-Changi GRC.
42. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) over the last five years, what has been the utilisation pattern of Child Development Accounts (CDAs) when children enter primary school; (b) how many CDAs show minimal or no drawdown until transfer to the Post-Secondary Education Account at age 12; and (c) if utilisation rates are not significant, whether a portion of unused CDA funds can be allowed for primary school learning.
43. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development what is the 25th percentile, median, and 75th percentile of staff to child ratio for (i) the various levels of preschools and (ii) student care centres.
44. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) whether the Ministry regulates news reporting of large lottery wins to avoid sensationalism and curb the promotion of gambling; (b) if not, how the Ministry reconciles such reporting with the existing framework to minimise problem gambling; and (c) whether the government has conducted any cost-benefit analysis on the social harm from such reporting against any public interest benefit from the news.

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45. **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Minister for Education given the OECD Teaching and Learning International Survey 2024 finding that teachers worked 47.3 hours a week on average (a) whether the Ministry has assessed if the work-life balance of teachers is worse than that of the rest of the public service; and (b) if so, what are new impactful measures being considered to improve work-life balance for teachers.
46. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry has assessed the cumulative effects of sustained seven-day work weeks and after-hours marking on teachers' mental health and family life; (b) how such well-being data inform staffing, performance evaluation, and retention policies; and (c) whether the Ministry will pilot protected rest-time policies for educators.
47. **Mr Vikram Nair:** To ask the Minister for Education in light of the 2024 Teaching and Learning International Survey (TALIS) which found longer working hours of Singapore teachers and the higher stress they face as compared to OECD average, whether the Ministry is taking steps to address these matters.
48. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will expand SkillsFuture Credit eligibility to include subscriptions for curated, high-quality AI productivity tools to facilitate hands-on learning; and (b) if not, why not.
49. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will consider developing and publishing an age-progressive framework for the responsible use of generative AI across primary, secondary, and post-secondary education levels; and (b) whether guidance could also be developed and published for parents to support younger students' learning and use of AI at home.
50. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will review counsellor reporting structures to enhance confidentiality and trust, including models where counsellors report to a dedicated mental health body rather than solely to principals; (b) whether training on counselling ethics can be provided for school principals; and (c) what steps will increase qualified professional-to-student ratios and safeguard counsellor autonomy.
51. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for Education in each of the past five years (a) how many Singaporean students enrolled in postgraduate programmes at the Autonomous Universities utilised SkillsFuture credits to offset tuition fees; (b) how many were eligible for MOE postgraduate subsidies; and (c) how many were ineligible for such subsidies due to having previously received a government subsidy or sponsorship for a completed undergraduate degree.
52. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether impact studies have been conducted on the effectiveness of SkillsFuture-funded programmes in achieving job-related outcomes; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider expanding the approved list of certifications on the MySkillsFuture Portal to include widely recognised international qualifications such as the Chartered Financial Analyst and Chartered Accountant certifications.
53. **Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Minister for Education in respect of students admitted to secondary schools through the Direct School Admissions (DSA) scheme over the past five years (a) what is the household income quartile distribution of all admitted students; (b) what percentage participated in private DSA preparatory programmes; and (c) what metrics the Ministry uses to assess whether DSA benefits correlate with early talent identification rather than socioeconomic advantage.

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54. **Miss Rachel Ong:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how will the Ministry ensure compliance with food safety standards given that schools will be switching to a central kitchen meal model from January 2026; (b) whether frequency and scope of inspections will be enhanced for these kitchens; and (c) what measures will ensure rapid response and meal continuity in case of food safety incidents.
55. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry has studied the psychological or developmental effects of students taking on multiple internships at increasingly younger ages; (b) how schools are ensuring balance between employability preparation and youth well-being; and (c) whether guidelines exist to prevent excessive internship stacking among secondary and post-secondary students.
56. **Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry has studied why students are turning away from traditional engineering disciplines despite national infrastructure needs; (b) how curricula and pay expectations can be better aligned with emerging industries; and (c) whether public sector hiring and scholarships will be recalibrated to strengthen local engineering talent pipelines.
57. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will advise the National Institute of Education to collaborate with the Early Childhood Development Agency to study how students learn best across diverse learning profiles; and (b) if not, whether the Ministry will consider establishing an interdisciplinary taskforce comprising educators, neuroscientists, psychologists, and technologists to chart a roadmap for integrating brain-based learning and adaptive AI across the education system.
58. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will advise the National Institute of Education (NIE) to include brain-based learning principles such as cognitive load management, emotional engagement, and spaced retrieval in its curriculum; and (b) if not, whether the Ministry has plans to work with NIE to develop a structured framework for continuous professional development in brain-based teaching approaches for educators.
59. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry conducts regular reviews and audits of course listings on the SkillsFuture Career Transition Programme portal to ensure that inactive or unavailable courses are promptly removed; (b) if so, how frequently such reviews are conducted, and (c) if not, why not.
60. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Education under the SkillsFuture Mid-Career Training Allowance scheme, whether short-term or part-time work that have been undertaken by participants in the latest 12 months before the course start date are taken into account in determining the training allowance, particularly for individuals who have been retrenched or are already undergoing a career transition.
61. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education in view that 7 in 10 Singaporeans have yet to use the \$500 SkillsFuture credits that will expire at the end of 2025, whether the Ministry will consider extending the expiry date by six months, particularly for courses important for futureproofing, such as artificial intelligence, information technology, communications and healthcare.
62. **Ms Sylvia Lim:** To ask the Minister for Education what is the extent of Government support or coverage which is made available to compensate teachers who suffer from long-term injuries or disability in the course of managing student incidents in the classroom.

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63. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Law (a) for each of the past 10 years, what number and percentage of bankruptcy applications (i) were withdrawn by the petitioning creditor, (ii) were terminated for want of prosecution or (iii) did not culminate in a bankruptcy order for any other reason; and (b) whether the Ministry has considered mandating mediation between the petitioning creditor and the bankruptcy respondent.
64. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Law (a) for each of the past 10 years, what number and percentage of individuals adjudicated bankrupt were aged (i) 24 and below, (ii) 25 to 40, (iii) 40 to 54 and (iv) 55 and above; and (b) within each of those age bands, how many were not first-time bankrupts.
65. **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Manpower what is the average time required for (i) a final decision and (ii) disbursement after approval, for applications to withdraw CPF savings under the CPF reduced life expectancy scheme.
66. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in the past year, what are the compliance rates among employers for the (i) Local Qualifying Salary requirement to all local employees not covered under Progressive Wages, (ii) Occupational Progressive Wages for administrators and drivers and (iii) Sectoral Progressive Wage Model.
67. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower what proportion of employers have currently submitted the necessary information to the Ministry's Occupational Employment Dataset to assess compliance with Progressive Wage Model and Local Qualifying Salary requirements.
68. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will consider mandating retrenchment notifications by employers to the Ministry prior to a retrenchment exercise, instead of post-retrenchment.
69. **Mr Victor Lye:** To ask the Minister for Manpower in the past two years, what is the number and percentage share of Temporary Permit Exhibition Scheme (TPES) permits issued to firms without any local employees or CPF-registered staff.
70. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry can provide an update on the Jobs Transformation Maps; (b) how these initiatives support mid-career employees adapting to industry shifts; and (c) what assistance is provided to help sectors that are undergoing restructuring to equip affected workers for new or redesigned roles.
71. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower what strategies and support mechanisms is Workforce Singapore implementing to ensure that small and medium enterprises which may lack economies of scale or the necessary training infrastructure are able to successfully host trainees under the GRaduate Industry Traineeships (GRIT) Programme.
72. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether HDB can consider introducing differentiated validity periods of HDB Flat Eligibility (HFE) or grant recalibration mechanisms, to better accommodate young couples with changing incomes, lower-income households or changing market conditions.

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73. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether HDB will consider enhancing the HDB Flat Eligibility (HFE) letter to include personalised calculations using HDB's affordability tools or simulators based on the demographic and profile of the applicants, to help them better understand the basis of the eligibility assessment and the long-term financial commitments of home ownership, and ensure sustainable mortgage planning.
74. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what are the key reasons why some neighbour disputes do not get escalated to the Community Relations Unit (CRU); and (b) what measures are in place to ensure residents are aware of the appropriate dispute resolution pathways.
75. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Government has plans to implement upstream engineering interventions in new BTO housing design to mitigate inter-floor noise; and (b) how the current materials used compare against global standards for noise and insulation.
76. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the current number of public playgrounds in Singapore; (b) what is the breakdown of these playgrounds that have (i) swings and (ii) sand play areas; and (c) how these respective figures compare to those from 10 years ago.
77. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) why alternative shuttle bus services are not provided after 11 pm to meet the needs of evening commuters affected by the early closure of Circle Line train services on some Fridays and Saturdays; (b) whether alternative shuttle bus service can be introduced; and (c) if not, why not.
78. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry will prosecute users of non-compliant or illegally modified assisted mobility devices (AMDs) that cause electrical fires leading to death, injury, or property damage, under existing criminal law; and (b) consider introducing measures/legislation to hold such errant AMD users personally liable through civil proceedings for the full extent of financial compensation to affected residents and insurers.
79. **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport whether stronger regulatory measures will be introduced to ensure that private food delivery companies are held accountable for the safety and traffic compliance of their delivery personnel, including mandatory training on traffic rules, wearing of visible reflective attire, ensuring that personal mobility aids and other delivery vehicles use lights at night, and penalties for repeated breaches that endanger road users.
80. **Mr Low Wu Yang Andre:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport what is the estimated proportion of commuters who board the North-East Line at stations from Punggol Coast to Kovan during weekday morning peak hours and who subsequently alight at stations (i) within the Central Area (ii) outside the Central Area.
81. **Ms Gho Sze Kee:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport whether the Ministry will review the adequacy of public transport arrangements for major events such as the Singapore Grand Prix concerts and other large-scale performances, to ensure better coordination with organisers and sufficient late-night transport services for attendees.
82. **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport as of 2025, what is the total absolute number of HDB versus non-HDB households that have (a) at least one car; (b) at least two cars; and (c) at least three or more cars.

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- 83. Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the LTA can consider building lifts in the pedestrian overhead bridges across the CTE and PIE connecting Whampoa to Towner, McNair, Boon Keng and Toa Payoh respectively, given that ageing seniors are finding it increasingly difficult to walk up the ramps and are at risk of getting isolated; and (b) if so, whether some lifts can be built by end-2026.
- 84. Mr Jackson Lam:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry has studied the long-term sustainability of relying on annual subsidies exceeding S\$2 billion to moderate fare increases; (b) how this approach affects future fare-setting autonomy of the Public Transport Council; and (c) what safeguards exist to ensure transparency in subsidy allocation across operators.
- 85. Ms Hazlina Abdul Halim:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport in light of the impending transport fare increase in December 2025 and the reduction in prices of monthly concession pass for adults, seniors and persons with disabilities, whether the Ministry will consider reducing the price of concession passes for other groups such as students and full-time national servicemen.
- 86. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport in view of the sharp increase in fires involving Personal Mobility Devices in the first half of 2025 (a) whether the Ministry can expedite the review of the penalty framework against sellers and users of non-compliant devices; and (b) what is the estimated timeline for the completion of this review.
- 87. Ms Hazlina Abdul Halim:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport given the rising COE prices (a) whether the Government will consider providing grants to support families with special needs dependants have affordable access to cars; and (b) how will the Government support (i) car-sharing platforms and (ii) companies that offer short- and long-term car leasing services provide flexible and affordable options for families with special needs dependants, children, and elderly.
- 88. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) what was the actual total passenger load for the free Marine Parade shuttle bus since its launch; (b) whether the initial estimate of S\$1 million remains accurate to the cost of the programme; and (c) how much of that final cost will be publicly funded, including by Community Development Council funds.
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