

**FIFTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE
(FIRST SESSION)**

**ORDER PAPER
FRIDAY, 6 MARCH 2026**

No. 26

10.00 am

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER*

- *1. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what is the median and maximum programmed wait time for pedestrians at signalised junctions; (b) whether pedestrians are currently prioritised in traffic signal timing logic and, if not, whether the Land Transport Authority will consider prioritising them; and (c) whether the Ministry will reduce maximum wait times to under 60 seconds.
- *2. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what Singapore Dollar-specific factors have contributed to its persistent weakness against the Malaysian Ringgit; (b) what implications a sustained slide below the exchange rate of 3 MYR/SGD may have on Singapore's labour market; and (c) whether MAS will consider strengthening policy settings or adjusting the exchange rate band to ensure stability.
- *3. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) whether the Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA) compiles a list of specific mobile network dead zones across the entire MRT network; (b) if so, whether this list and the rectification status of each site will be made public via a dashboard to ensure operator accountability; and (c) how many persistent signal gaps have remained unrectified for more than 12 months.
- *4. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth whether the Ministry will consider expanding the usability of ActiveSG credits to include sports facilities beyond those currently under ActiveSG, such as those in community centres and The Kallang, to offer residents greater flexibility and encourage wider participation.
- *5. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the Government has assessed the export potential of Singapore's water recycling and integrated water management capabilities, particularly in regions facing rising industrial and digital infrastructure demand; and (b) whether there are plans to develop a coordinated strategy to position Singapore firms as global leaders in this sector.
- *6. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether existing financing and risk-sharing mechanisms are sufficient for Singapore-based water-technology firms to compete internationally with state-backed competitors in large-scale overseas projects; and (b) whether further enhancements are planned to strengthen Singapore's global competitiveness and support local firms in securing international desalination and recycling contracts.
- *7. Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) what measures the Government is taking to facilitate greater adoption of artificial intelligence (AI) within the energy generation sector; and (b) how it is supporting businesses and households in leveraging AI solutions to improve energy conservation and efficiency.

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- *8. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry provides guidelines to teachers and schools on the handling of children who may have or are diagnosed with special education needs (SEN); (b) what is the annual number of hours of SEN training provided to teachers; and (c) whether the Ministry conducts an annual review on the best practices across schools in providing support to children.
- *9. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether there have been any tuberculosis patients who have sought financial assistance to cover travel expenses and lost income to complete Directly Observed Therapy; and (b) if so, what aid schemes are available to such patients.
- *10. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry will consider piloting or sandboxing alternative crossing designs, such as pedestrian scramble crossings, at intersections with heavy multimodal traffic; and (b) whether existing crossing standards are being reviewed to address increasing interaction between pedestrians and active mobility users in high-footfall areas.
- *11. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport in respect of shared paths for pedestrians, cyclists and personal mobility aid users (a) how the Ministry balances the need for adequate night-time lighting with maintaining tree canopy and shade for daytime active mobility; and (b) whether lighting standards or design requirements are differentiated in high-conflict zones with heavier pedestrian and active mobility traffic.
- *12. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) whether the Ministry will consider a wider literary use for the SG Culture Pass; and (b) whether it will further introduce an annual “Literary Pass” with credits to specifically purchase Singapore literature (SingLit) books to support Singaporean authors and the local literary scene.
- *13. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Acting Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs in the past 10 years (a) what are the requirements for letters of support from MUIS to hold tarawih or night prayers performed during Ramadan at qaryah community group venues; (b) how many applications for such letters have been from the People’s Association (PA) or other organisations and individuals; and (c) what is the success rate of applications by those unaffiliated with the PA.
- *14. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether an update on the AquaPolis programme with details on the progress, status and utilisation of budget allocated can be shared; (b) whether the programme has pledged to support the fish farming industry’s fingerling supply; (c) if so, whether the programme has delivered its pledge; and (d) if not, why the programme has not delivered.
- *15. **Ms Mariam Jaafar:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether Taiwan’s National Lung Cancer Early Detection Programme is relevant for adoption in Singapore.
- *16. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the Ministry will disclose the full criteria along with their respective weightages used by the National Environment Agency to evaluate the tender bids submitted by prospective Socially-conscious Enterprise Hawker Centre (SEHC) operators.

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- *17. **Assoc Prof Kenneth Goh:** To ask the Minister for National Development in respect of the resumption of crow shooting operations (a) what are the criteria that will determine when and where shooting is deployed; (b) how are officers selected, trained and certified and what safety protocols will apply; (c) how effective is shooting relative to other methods; and (d) what frequency of operations is expected to achieve sustained reduction of crow population.
- *18. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry in light of the recent rapid shifts in the US tariff policy following a Supreme Court ruling and given Singapore's reliance on external demand (a) what frameworks or criteria the Ministry uses to stress-test sudden legal and policy volatility in major trading partners; and (b) how these assessments inform contingency planning for trade-exposed sectors.
- *19. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry will consider establishing a master database of all commercial sublet agreements; and (b) whether the Ministry will mandate lodging of sublet agreements with HDB as a condition for tenancies, to enable evidence-based policymaking on business costs instead of relying on anecdotal feedback.
- *20. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether prolonged vacancy in HDB-managed commercial properties is treated as a loss of public value; and (b) how HDB evaluates the trade-off between maintaining higher rental benchmarks and ensuring sustained occupancy and neighbourhood vibrancy.
- *21. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for Education since its inception in 1998, how many students have been granted the ASEAN Scholarship, broken down by (i) nationality (ii) race and (iii) educational stage of admission.
- *22. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether the Ministry is reviewing current bicycle parking capacity standards in HDB estates to account for both residents' personal bicycles and the rising number of bike-sharing bicycles.
- *23. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) in 2025, what is the number of cases where monthly salaries of public sector employees are not paid on time; and (b) what are the recourse available to and compensation accorded to such employees.
- *24. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the current solar reflectance standards for cool coatings under the Green Towns Programme effectively preclude the use of certain darker colours like red brick; (b) whether the Ministry is working with manufacturers to certify a wider range of high-reflectance pigments; and (c) how HDB assists Town Councils when resident aesthetic preferences conflict with cool paint technical requirements.
- *25. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether HDB can provide Home Improvement Programme (HIP) renovation schedules with greater granularity, specifically indicating the exact month in which works will commence and be carried out for each block to enable residents to better plan their personal arrangements, caregiving responsibilities and renovation-related preparations.

- *26. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Public Services and Minister for Defence given that Indonesia has acquired the Khan ballistic missile from Türkiye, the first ballistic missile procurement in Southeast Asia besides Vietnam (a) what is the Ministry's assessment of this development's implications for regional security; (b) whether Singapore's defence capabilities are adequate against both ballistic missile threats and the threat environment driving such acquisitions; and (c) if so, on what basis.
- *27. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth in respect of the SG Heritage Business Scheme (a) what forms of digital support are provided to help these businesses modernise and sustain their operations; and (b) what tools or programmes have been made available to assist these businesses in expanding their presence both locally and internationally.

* Members may postpone their Questions to a later sitting day if their Questions are not reached by the end of Question Time (QT). For such Questions, Members may email to parl_cop@parl.gov.sg in advance a postponement notice that will be effected after QT. Members must submit their notices to the Clerk within one hour after the end of QT (SO 22(3)). Questions will be given a written answer if no such notices are received by the Clerk within the stipulated time.

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Introduction of Government Bills

1. Minister for Sustainability and the Environment:

Energy Conservation (Amendment) Bill.

2. Minister for National Development:

Veterinary Practice Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY AND NOTICE OF MOTION

(Those marked • are Orders of the Day)

- 1.** Estimates for the financial year 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027 (Paper Cmd. 4 of 2026) – Committee of Supply (Progress: 5 March 2026) (*7th Allotted Day*).

Resumption of Debate on Question (5 March 2026)

“That the total sum to be allocated for Head I of the Estimates be reduced by \$100.” – (Mr Xie Yao Quan).

[For amendments to be moved in the Committee of Supply, see Supplement No. 6 dated 26 February 2026.]

- 2.** Supply Bill [Bill No. 4/2026] – (Second Minister for Finance) – Second Reading.
- 3** Supplementary Supply (FY 2025) Bill [Bill No. 5/2026] – (Second Minister for Finance) – Second Reading.

4. Second Minister for Finance:**CIVIL LIST:**

That this Parliament, pursuant to section 7 of the Civil List and Gratuity Act 1970, resolves that the Schedule to that Act be varied by deleting the figures “\$6,696,700”, “\$3,342,200” and “\$550,000” in the second column and substituting for them the figures “\$7,318,000”, “\$4,542,000” and “\$1,288,000” respectively.

- 5. Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) (Amendment) and Other Matters Bill [Bill No. 3/2026] – (Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health) – Second Reading.
 - 6. Coastal Protection and Other Amendments Bill [Bill No. 2/2026] – (Minister for Sustainability and the Environment) – Second Reading.
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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs whether the current mandatory Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) modules under the Progressive Wage Model for security sector for licensed security officers include training on recognising and appropriately responding to persons with special needs.
2. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in view of our ageing population and SCDF data showing rising residential fires (a) what targeted fire prevention measures are being implemented for elderly residents in mature estates regarding unattended cooking and electrical faults; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider stepping up implementation of initiatives to protect senior households like subsidised smart sensors or electrical safety checks.
3. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what is the total percentage of Singapore Citizens who have an additional hanyu pinyin name registered as part of their legal name; and (b) in each of the last 10 years, how many Singapore Citizen babies have had an additional hanyu pinyin name included in their names.
4. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what are the protocols for real-time information sharing with foreign authorities on suspected child trafficking syndicates linked to Singapore adoptions; (b) how many joint operations or information requests on child trafficking occurred in the last five years; and (c) whether upstream efforts such as pre-clearance checks and source-country probes will be enhanced.
5. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Public Services and Minister for Defence (a) in the past ten years, how many defence contracts above (i) \$10 million and (ii) \$100 million awarded have been procured through closed tender rather than open tender respectively; (b) what criteria determine whether a procurement is conducted as a closed tender; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider publishing requirements for major platform replacements on GeBIZ to enable local industry participation.

6. **Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Public Services and Minister for Defence (a) how many National Servicemen have applied for redeployment under the Enhanced Expertise Deployment Scheme and work-learn schemes in each of the past three years; (b) what is the success rate of these applications; and (c) what specific criteria or skill gaps currently limit the redeployment of these National Servicemen with private sector tech expertise.
7. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health with regard to the National Childhood and Adolescent Immunisation Schedule (a) what is the compliance rate for Singaporeans and foreign students, including Permanent Residents; and (b) whether any actions have been taken against parents who do not comply over the past 10 years.
8. **Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) whether Singapore plans to ratify the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT); (b) if so, when; (c) what is the Government's current assessment of Singapore's arms trade; and (d) whether any Singapore-origin conventional arms have been used to commit genocide, crimes against humanity, or violations of international humanitarian law.
9. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information in view of continued technological developments including AI-driven calls (a) what measures are in place to improve Do Not Call (DNC) Registry enforcement and compliance; (b) how many (i) DNC complaints and (ii) investigations about unsolicited communications have taken place in each of the last two years; and (c) how many fines have been meted out for breaches of the relevant laws.
10. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how many ASEAN Scholarship holders have acquired permanent residency or Singapore Citizenship since the inception of the scholarship in 1998; and (b) what percentage does this represent of the total number of ASEAN Scholarship holders during the same period.
11. **Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what are the specific types of information collected from users of i-SMART's facial recognition system at the NESST Tukang migrant worker dormitory; and (b) how will the information collected be used by stakeholders such as (i) the Ministry (ii) the dormitory operator and (iii) employers, respectively.
12. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether HDB has defined vacancy thresholds, duration benchmarks or other objective triggers that prompt a review of rental pricing in its commercial properties; and (b) if so, what these benchmarks are.
13. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for National Development in respect of the agreement announced by the top five estate agencies to ensure that flyers distributed to HDB homes are not visible to the public, whether these rules can be extended to become a regulation mandatory for all Council for Estate Agencies registered agents rather than covered by an industry-led voluntary memorandum of understanding.
14. **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) in the past three years, how many reports of unauthorised works on LTA-managed state land fronting private properties were received; (b) how many resulted in enforcement action; and (c) what is LTA's policy on private property owners modifying road kerbs on such land including cost liability of restoration works that encroach on adjoining frontages of another private property.

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15. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport in the last 24 months (a) how many feedback cases and compensation claims has LTA received from private residential property owners in Yio Chu Kang Single Member Constituency regarding damages from North-South Corridor construction along Ang Mo Kio Avenue 6; (b) what is the number of resolved and outstanding cases; and (c) what is the service standards and timelines governing their resolution.
16. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport in respect of the Vehicle Parking Certificates (VPCs) (a) in the last three years, how many cases are there of parking management companies selling VPCs without designated lots; (b) whether the Ministry will tighten enforcement against such operators; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider alternative parking proof mechanisms where systemic gaps are identified.
17. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) what plans are in place to support residents affected by major renovation works at their regional or local ActiveSG facilities, particularly multi-facility sports centres; and (b) whether alternative arrangements will be provided to ensure continued access to sports and community activities.
18. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) whether agencies under the Ministry have received feedback or questions from the community about the naming of festivals and use of greetings such as (i) Chinese New Year vs Lunar New Year (ii) the use of “Seasons’ Greetings” (iii) Hari Raya vs Eid and (iv) Deepavali vs Diwali; and (b) if so, what is the approach to such feedback.

Note: Order of business in this Order Paper has been varied pursuant to SO 10(1A).