FIFTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE (FIRST SESSION)

ORDER PAPER THURSDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2025

No. 11 **11.30 am** 1

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER*

- *1. **Mr Foo Cexiang:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how stockpiled food is drawn down on; and (b) whether steps are taken to avoid food wastage in the process.
- *2. Ms Poh Li San: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how frequently are food items in national stockpiles replaced to ensure nutritional value is not diminished; (b) whether the food items released from stockpiles can still be sold or distributed to reduce food wastage; (c) whether the cost of freezing the stockpiles in sub-zero temperature warehouses is borne by food suppliers; and (d) if so, how are they compensated.
- *3. **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment in respect of the current national food stockpiling (a) by whom and how are stockpiling decisions made on food products that are not mandated by law; and (b) whether alternative proteins are currently stockpiled in addition to traditional proteins.
- *4. Mr Ng Shi Xuan: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment in respect of the cold rooms used for national food stockpiling (a) what are the measures to ensure an uninterrupted power supply; (b) whether such measures are legally mandated; and (c) whether the Ministry conducts regular inspections to ensure compliance.
- *5. Ms Hany Soh: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the cost of prevailing food supply prices are taken into consideration when deciding whether food which are stockpiled should be drawn down to mitigate any sudden or anomalous spikes food supply prices.
- *6. Mr Ang Wei Neng: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether the Nutri-Grade labelling system has led to lower consumption of pre-packaged food high in sugar and saturated fat in Singapore; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider placing restrictions on the advertising of pre-packaged food high in sugar and saturated fat, similar to the United Kingdom's restrictions on the advertising of food high in fat, salt, and sugar.
- *7. Mr Shawn Loh: To ask the Minister for Education (a) what proportion of courses taken in 2024 with support from SkillsFuture Credits have had direct relevance to the respective individuals' ongoing or future areas of employment; and (b) whether the Ministry has considered introducing conditions for the use of Credits to ensure such relevance, such as requiring courses to be recommended by Government-appointed Skills Development Partners.

- *8. Ms Poh Li San: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry in respect of the study to understand nuclear technology, safety of nuclear power plant technologies and their viability for Singapore (a) whether the study will include (i) an estimate timeframe for deployment of nuclear energy and (ii) potential sites for the reactors, where it is found to be viable for Singapore; and (b) whether the key risks identified in the study will be published.
- *9. Mr Ang Wei Neng: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry on the Government's recent setup of dedicated nuclear teams at the Energy Market Authority and the National Environment Agency (a) what is the readiness to deploy nuclear energy in Singapore; and (b) what is the staff strength of the nuclear team at these two respective agencies.
- *10. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry regarding the dedicated nuclear teams set up at the Energy Market Authority and the National Environment Agency, whether the Government will consider including representatives from other sectors and the public in these teams to address common concerns, such as safety and perceptions.
- *11. **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.
- *12. Dr Choo Pei Ling: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry will consider opening Tengah Link which is a bus-only road to general traffic during off-peak hours to improve connectivity; (b) what traffic modelling has been done to assess the impact of such partial access; and (c) how the Ministry plans to balance public transport efficiency with residents' desire for more flexible road access.
- *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 Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry whether the Ministry has any information on (i) whether Singapore GasCo will be building spot trading capabilities to manage price volatility of liquefied natural gas, or any other alternative mechanisms to buffer against short-term price volatility and (ii) whether Singapore GasCo will collaborate with financial institutions or commodity exchanges to develop such capabilities.
- *15. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the Ministry will ensure that Singapore GasCo places safeguards during procurement to prevent an overreliance on any single liquefied natural gas (LNG) source; and (b) how will the Ministry ensure that Singapore GasCo's procurement of LNG does not expose Singapore to reputational, financial, or legal risks arising from sanctioned entities or jurisdictions.
- *16. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what measures are in place to proactively detect and prevent the misuse of SkillsFuture credits, especially by operators using multi-level marketing tactics or exploiting the credit expiry timeline; and (b) how does the Ministry ensure training quality and learner protection against the marketing tactics by such operators.

- *17. Mr Yip Hon Weng: To ask the Minister for Education (a) what steps are the Ministry and SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG) taking to pro-actively monitor and enforce compliance with marketing requirements and practice guidelines by training providers to better protect all learners, including low-income and older workers; and (b) whether the Ministry would consider mandating public disclosure of provider-level data, such as drop-out rates and course-to-job conversions, to strengthen these safeguards.
- *18. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health for updates on the progress of the job fit assessment and referral framework by the National Council of Social Service as shared in the National Mental Health and Well-Being Strategy.
- *19. Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry what are the main areas of public education that the Government will embark on as it assesses the viability of nuclear energy for Singapore, in view of the release of the 2025 background paper on Singapore's considerations for nuclear energy deployment and the 2018 paper on the public perception of nuclear energy supported by the Singapore National Research Foundation.
- *20. Mr David Hoe: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what is the Ministry's assessment of employer awareness of the Tripartite Standard on Unpaid Leave for Unexpected Care Needs, particularly for parents with children born premature, with congenital conditions or as part of multiple births; (b) how many employers have adopted this Standard from 2023 to date; and (c) what further outreach or support is planned to raise adoption of this Standard.
- *21. Mr Fadli Fawzi: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs
 (a) what is the average number of seconds taken to process travellers at the bus halls of the land checkpoints using (i) QR code clearance and (ii) passport clearance, respectively; (b) what percentage of clearance lanes are QR code clearance only; and (c) how is this percentage determined.
- *22. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what benchmarks and targets has the Ministry set for road traffic fatality rates; and (b) what additional measures are being contemplated to address the rise in accidents and casualties involving motorcyclists and pillion riders.
- *23. Mr Fadli Fawzi: To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) how the peak capacity of each ActiveSG gym is determined; (b) which are the most crowded ActiveSG gyms; (c) whether there are plans to increase the supply of gym facilities where demand is high; and (d) if not, why not.
- *24. Ms Valerie Lee: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Ministry will consider permanently introducing a baby gift, similar to Singapore's SG60 Baby Gift and Finland's baby box scheme, to support new parents with parenting essentials.
- *25. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether any Environmental Impact Assessment has been carried out or any Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan has been put in place prior to the start of the construction works for the bus depot at the forest along Sungei Serangoon between Tampines Road and Buangkok East Drive.
- *26. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether URA would consider conducting baseline biodiversity studies of the forest along Sungei Serangoon from Tampines Road to Serangoon East Dam to study the biodiversity of the area for future planning purposes before any other project is approved on the site.

- *27. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat: To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what evaluation was done to conclude that cessation of the Integrated Childcare Programme (ICCP) that helped children with mild special needs was necessary in 2024; (b) what service gap was projected given that expansion of the Inclusive Support Programme (InSP) will only start from 2026; and (c) what like-for-like interim provisions are in place to ensure in-childcare support for affected children.
- *28. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what is the compliance rate with the wages, training and working hours caps requirements in the respective Progressive Wage Model sectors; and (b) how does the Ministry intend to improve compliance in sectors that fare poorly.
- *29. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport given Kovan Wellspring BTO completion will increase peak traffic demands (a) what are LTA's plans on the congestion towards expressways along the Kovan–Serangoon corridor; (b) what bus and MRT capacity upgrades are planned to address current two-to-three train waits during morning rush in this area; and (c) what is the timeline for MRT-related relief and road improvements along the Kovan–Serangoon corridor.
- *30. Ms Valerie Lee: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) for a progress update on the various projects involving regional importers which have been issued with Conditional Approvals (CAs) or Conditional Licenses (CLs) by the Energy Market Authority; and (b) whether any of these projects have proven to be unviable in the course of the Government's evaluation, post-issuance of the CAs or CLs.
- *31. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether the Ministry tracks and issues guidelines on listed prices for subsidised procedures at public hospitals, particularly given efforts to curb the prevalence of insurance riders.
- *32. Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) how many public officers are registered users of the Well-Being@Gov programme to date; (b) what percentage of these actively use the app monthly; (c) what is the average coaching and counselling credit consumption rate per officer; and (d) how does the Public Service Division (PSD) track and assess the programme's efficacy and cost-effectiveness.
- *33. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health for persons seeking support for vape addiction under the National Addictions Management Service (a) what is the framework and duration for the treatment and rehabilitation of such persons; and (b) whether there can be scheduling flexibility to ensure continuity in the treatment process.
- *34. Mr David Hoe: To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will consider institutionalising regular co-curricular activities (CCA) twinning between schools to enable sustained mixing between students of different academic and socio-economic profiles beyond ad-hoc efforts; (b) whether such CCA twinning between schools has been piloted in the past five years; and (c) what are the outcomes of such pilots.
- *35. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what is the waiting time for children and youths seeking mental health support through the (i) Youth Integrated Team and (ii) CREST-Youth; and (b) whether the Ministry can consider lowering the age limit of these services to include primary school children, given challenges such as early digital exposure and addiction.

- *36. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what demographic statistics other than the total fertility rate are being used to determine the intended intake of new Permanent Residents (PRs) and citizens; (b) whether the change in reporting Chart 17 in Population in Brief 2025 reflects a change in the intake determination methodology; and (c) if so, what is the expected impact on future intake determinations.
- *37. **Dr Choo Pei Ling:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what preparatory steps are required before Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) can be installed in newly developed estates such as Tengah; (b) what is the estimated timeline for AED installation in Tengah estate, and how it compares with other HDB precincts; and (c) what interim measures are in place to support emergency preparedness in new estates pending AED deployment.
- *38. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) for each of the past three years, what are the total amount and number of cases of unpaid medical bills incurred by Work Permit and S Pass holders in public healthcare institutions; and (b) what further measures are in place to ensure timely payment and financial responsibility among employers and insurers.
- *39. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik: To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) whether the list of SingLit books that can be purchased using SG Culture Pass credits will be made available; (b) how does the Ministry define a SingLit book; (c) whether the definition is based on the author's nationality; and (d) whether the book must also be published in Singapore.
- *40. 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.
- *41. **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) how frequently does NParks carry out maintenance of its nature trails; (b) for what reasons and for how long are such trails typically closed; and (c) whether there have been any delays in trail-related maintenance projects over the past five years.
- *42. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether polyclinic dental services will be expanded to include fabricating, repairing and fitting of dentures instead of having patients referred to tertiary institutions for such services; and (b) whether current MediSave rules preventing claims for dentures can be reviewed.
- *43. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what criteria the Ministry takes into account to accredit clinics for submission of MediSave claims for mental health treatments under the Chronic Diseases Management Programme (CDMP); and (b) whether the Ministry has considered allowing one-off claims from these accredited providers for mental health treatments not under the CDMP.
- *44. Mr Lee Hong Chuang: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether businesses operated from residential addresses, including those under the Home-Based Business scheme, are subject to monitoring by the Government; (b) whether the Ministry ensures that such home-based businesses operate fairly and are not accorded an unfair advantage over traditional brick-and-mortar retailers which are subject to stricter licensing and regulatory requirements; and (c) if so, how.

- *45. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) how the Ministry determines whether penalties under the Animals and Birds Act 1965 have been effective at deterring animal abuse; and (b) how the Ministry takes into account research on the potential links between animal abuse and psychological disorders in such determination.
- *46. Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan: To ask the Minister for Education given how the OECD TALIS 2024 report showed that administrative work is one of the main sources of stress for teachers and the average time spent by teachers on administrative work remained relatively unchanged since 2018 at four hours weekly despite technology initiatives, what quantitative targets and timelines has the Ministry set to reduce this burden further.
- *47. Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan: To ask the Minister for Education in light of (i) the OECD TALIS 2024 survey where 27% of teachers report experiencing stress "a lot" and (ii) that average term time work hours remain unchanged at 53 hours over the past five years (a) whether the Ministry is concerned; and (b) what specific, measurable targets will the Ministry set to reduce teachers' workload, work hours and stress levels.
- *48. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) how many complaints have been lodged by BCA-registered third-party lift contractors since 2019 regarding Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) vendors' non-adherence to voluntary commitments; (b) how does the Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore enforce the fair, reasonable, and non-discriminatory pricing commitments by OEM vendors; and (c) what improvements in pricing, delivery time, and warranty periods have been observed since 2019.
- *49. **Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what is the proportion of roads in Singapore with three or more lanes in each direction that do not currently have bus lanes; (b) whether the Government has any plans to reduce this proportion; and (c) if not, why not.
- *50. Ms Lee Hui Ying: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) how does the National Environment Agency enforce penalties or interventions against repeated high-rise littering offences; and (b) what are the measures taken against suspects who refuse to cooperate with NEA investigations.
- *51. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health given the earlier-than-usual surge in influenza cases this year, what proactive measures is the Ministry taking with primary care providers to (i) expand vaccination and antiviral capacity, (ii) protect vulnerable groups such as seniors and those with chronic illnesses and (iii) manage the potential strain on hospitals during this extended influenza season.
- *52. Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what is the expected cost of the upcoming pilot to offer free off-peak MRT and LRT rides for commuters in northeast Singapore; and (b) whether the Ministry can share any projections on the impact to ridership patterns.
- *53. Ms Lee Hui Ying: To ask the Minister for National Development what are the Government's plans to address capacity constraints in soil disposal and re-use excavated soil waste, given the growing demands for soil disposal capacity in the coming years from ongoing construction and increasing need for soil infill at land reclamation projects.

- *54. Mr Low Wu Yang Andre: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs regarding the SPF officers' failure to follow established processes identified in the Review Panel report on the February 2020 fatal child abuse incident, whether internal reviews indicated the lapses were isolated or indicative of broader systemic issues in supervision, training, or adherence to protocols.
- *55. **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.
- *56. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Minister for National Development which agency is the first response authority for enforcing noise violations after 10.30 pm, such as cases involving individuals playing excessively loud music in public parks.
- *57. Ms Poh Li San: To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) what is the progress in the adoption of generative artificial intelligence (Gen AI) tools in the public service; and (b) what training will be provided for public servants in the use of Gen AI tools relevant to their job roles.
- *58. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) what measurable targets have been set for the enhanced Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP) with Australia across its five cooperation objectives; (b) what data illustrates the success of the first CSP, such as trade or investment increases; and (c) what is the Ministry's key factor to determine whether the commitment for essential supplies with Australia will be fully implemented.
- *59. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will consider implementing an outpatient primary care insurance scheme for migrant domestic workers, similar to the Primary Care Plan (PCP) for Construction, Marine and Process workers, to strengthen timely access to primary care whilst providing employers with greater cost predictability.
- *60. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Government projects further layoffs in the petrochemical industries following the announcement by a US energy company of its plans to retrench up to 500 staff in Singapore by end-2027; and (b) if so, whether the Government is extending support to these companies or to affected workers directly in the transition to a low-carbon future.
- *61. Mr Yip Hon Weng: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) how many current BTO projects have been launched with waiting times exceeding five years; (b) what are the typical reasons for the longer timelines; (c) what is the maximum wait time for such long timeline projects; and (d) how is HDB leveraging technology and artificial intelligence to improve construction productivity and mitigate long waits.
- *62. Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether NEA will review the nutritional standards of budget meal options to ensure that they include adequate nutrients while remaining affordable; and (b) whether NEA will publish regular data on the accessibility, prices, nutritional composition, and participation rates of budget and value-meal schemes to enhance public awareness and understanding of their effectiveness.

- *63. Mr Ng Shi Xuan: To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in respect of the mandatory installation of CCTVs in preschools, whether the Ministry will consider (i) the use of AI technologies to review CCTV recordings to proactively uncover wrongdoing and (ii) mandating the installation of tamper-proof recording systems to prevent unauthorised deletions and alterations.
- *64. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) what are the Ministry's plans to ensure that the consolidated Simba-M1 entity commits to greater infrastructure investment to maintain network quality, should IMDA approve the consolidation deal; and (b) whether the Ministry will require the entity to unbundle or open certain non-core infrastructure or services to Mobile Virtual Network Operators to sustain low-price competition, given its strong market position post-consolidation.
- *65. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether clear disclosure requirements or labelling standards will be introduced to help consumers, including seniors, identify AI-generated images that make representation about products and services; and (b) how the Ministry plans to strengthen public education on identifying such AI-generated content.
- *66. **Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) on average, how many peer support student leaders have been identified and trained in each school; (b) whether these peer support leaders receive training to support their peers in areas of mental health; and (c) how are such trainings standardised across schools to ensure consistency.
- *67. Mr Cai Yinzhou: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport given that current bus designs limit dedicated space for wheelchairs, strollers, or PMAs to only one or two bays, whether the Ministry will consider reviewing the space utilisation of new buses, particularly those on high-demand routes serving polyclinics and senior centres to increase the dedicated multi-functional standing space beyond two bays to accommodate more essential assistive devices for our ageing population.
- *68. Mr Cai Yinzhou: To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development what (i) legal or (ii) institutional protection will the Ministry introduce to better safeguard and support frontline professionals like teachers, social workers, and police officers from liability, legal challenges, and public condemnation when making difficult, high-stakes decisions involving child safety and based on imperfect information, in the course of their work.
- *69. Mr Low Wu Yang Andre: To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development following the Review Panel report on the February 2020 fatal child incident, (a) what steps will be taken to proactively review past and current child protection cases to identify other children potentially overlooked due to the systemic gaps identified; and (b) what measures does the Ministry plan to introduce to foster the "safe reporting culture" recommended for social service professionals.

- *70. Mr David Hoe: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how many parties have sought the Health Promotion Board's (HPB) endorsement under the Healthier Food Donation Recommendation (HFDR) for their food donation packs; (b) how many parties have been certified so far; and (c) whether HPB will consider increasing awareness and adoption of the HFDR in light of rising malnutrition among seniors.
- * 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.

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

1. Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth:

The Government's Intention to Preserve the Site of 38 Oxley Road.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. Finance (Income Taxes) Bill [Bill No. 16/2025] (Second Minister for Finance) Second Reading.
- 2. Regulation of Imports and Exports (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 14/2025] (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry) Second Reading.

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

- 1. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance for each year over the last 10 years, what is the personal disposable income, personal saving and personal saving rate as broken down by (i) Singapore citizens (ii) Permanent Residents, (iii) Foreigners (iv) unincorporated enterprises and (v) non-profit institutions serving households.
- 2. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Government will consider implementing additional disclosure requirements for SGX-listed entities that are involved in investigations by foreign regulators or law enforcement agencies, regulatory settlements with overseas authorities or convictions by foreign courts to ensure that retail investors are adequately informed of potential risks.
- 3. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance what steps are being taken to safeguard Singapore's reputation as a clean and well-regulated international financial centre.
- **4. Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Ministry will consider reviewing childcare leave provisions so that the entitlement is calibrated to the number of children under the age of seven, rather than a flat rate per parent.

- Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what is the average time taken for the Traffic Police to issue a summons after a speeding offence; (b) what operational or administrative constraints prevent immediate issuance; and (c) whether the Ministry will review the system to ensure timely summonses that deter repeat offences and prevent demerit point accumulation leading to licence suspension.
- 6. **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) for each year since 2022, what is (i) the total number of land-based medical repatriations of Singapore citizens in critical care from our borders with Malaysia and the (ii) average waiting time for these transfers; and (b) what is the progress update on the implementation of the Foreign Private Ambulance Operators Accreditation scheme.
- 7. **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) how many successful job placements have been made each year since the inception of the Institute of Mental Health (IMH)'s Job Club; and (b) of the successful placements made, what is the percentage of IMH patients who (i) cleared probation and (ii) are still on the job after 3 years, respectively.
- **8. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what has been the trend of residential noise complaints over the past three years; and (b) how do the World Health Organisation's recommended outdoor noise exposure limits compare with Singapore's, particularly the 75 dBA limit for residences near construction sites and the 70 dBA limit for factory premises from 7 am to 7 pm.
- **9. Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what are the risk considerations to differentiate excessive disciplining from suspected cases of severe abuse where visible injuries are intentionally avoided before determining that a child cannot be safely maintained within the family and must be removed; (b) whether educators are empowered to request for a medical professional to conduct health assessments for such cases; and (c) what is the procedure.
- **10. Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) how does the Singapore Police Force locate parents or caregivers who may hold custody of a vulnerable child but are uncontactable or actively evading authorities in cases of suspected abuse; and (b) what inter-agency protocols have been enhanced to expedite such urgent search process.
- 11. Mr Foo Cexiang: To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development with reference to the Report on the Review Panel's Findings and Recommendations to Strengthen the Child Protection Ecosystem published on 23 October 2025, what were the differences in investigative actions taken by the police officers tasked to follow-up on the police reports dated 17 January 2020 and 20 July 2020 which led to starkly different outcomes.
- **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) whether the Ministry will consider reviewing and replacing the term "illegitimate" with non-stigmatising terminology such as "non-marital child" across laws, forms, and guidance in the context of children born out of wedlock; and (b) whether the Ministry is studying alternatives to adoption or marriage to secure parental responsibility and inheritance parity for such children of single unwed mothers.
- **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) how many persons under the age of 18 are estimated to be currently employed to support their household income; and (b) of these, how many are (i) in full-time education, (ii) in part-time education, or (iii) not in education or training, respectively.

- **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development in respect of interactions with children in preschools (a) whether there are protocols in place to ensure that both male and female staff are present during all such interactions; and (b) if not, whether the Ministry will implement such protocols.
- **Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information (a) what are the Government's plans for deploying agentic artificial intelligence (AI) systems to automate relevant job functions in the public service; and (b) what human resource policies are in place to assist public servants whose job roles may be made redundant with the adoption of agentic AI systems.
- **16. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry has a structured process to (i) review findings from international surveys such as the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development Teaching and Learning International Survey and (ii) formulate and implement any recommendations following its review.
- 17. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat: To ask the Minister for Education for each of the last three years, (a) the median and 90th-percentile processing time for Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) applications from submission to final offer; (b) the share of candidates who passed the interview but withdrew before receiving an offer; and (c) whether the prolonged timelines had compelled qualified candidates to seek alternative employment.
- **18. Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry tracks student absences across different age groups, including children in childcare centres, preschools, and primary schools; and (b) whether the Ministry is able to identify the main causes of such absences within each respective age group.
- 19. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry has evaluated the use of vape detection sensors in schools and institutes of higher learning (IHLs); and (b) if so, (i) how many have trialed or deployed them, (ii) whether there are procurement guidelines, vetting and privacy safeguards for such use and (iii) whether such guidelines will be issued to all schools and IHLs.
- **20. Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education when schools conduct home-based learning (a) what support measures are in place for students whose parents do not have flexible work arrangements; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider providing more on-site or supervised options to ensure equity and care for such families.
- 21. Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan: To ask the Minister for Education in each of the past five years, what is the ratio of teaching to administrative staff in schools at the (i) primary (ii) secondary and (iii) post-secondary levels respectively.
- **22. Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for Law (a) whether the assessment and decision to prosecute suspected offences under Part 9 of the Administration of Muslim Law are cleared within Attorney-General's Chambers at the (i) Director level or (ii) higher management level; and (b) whether these offences (i) are considered as more serious or sensitive crimes or (ii) requires Attorney-General's express consent to prosecute.
- 23. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether there are any plans to revise section 88A of the Employment Act, which provides for a minimum annual leave entitlement of seven days; and (b) if not, why.

- **24. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether more can be done to encourage employers to adopt workplace policies or initiatives that equip workplace leaders and managers with competencies in self-care, stress resilience and mental health awareness, given the influence these leaders and managers have on workplace culture and mental health norms.
- 25. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat: To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will establish distinct (i) waste and cleaning and (ii) food and beverage sub-categories within the Services sector with differentiated dependency ratios and quotas, given their differing manpower requirements.
- **26. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Manpower what is the youth unemployment rate for the 15 to 24 years age group compared to the 25 to 35 years age group from 2000 to 2024.
- **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how does the Ministry assess appeals on the actual support received by seniors who are excluded from the Silver Support Scheme (SSS) due to household income levels from residing with their working children; and (b) whether the Ministry will review the SSS criteria to better reflect individual seniors' financial means so that disadvantaged individuals are not deprived of support.
- **28. Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will publish concrete guidelines on employers' obligations to provide acceptable accommodation and adequate food to Work Permit holders, particularly when workers have pending Employ Claims Tribunal cases or Work Injury Compensation claims.
- 29. Ms Lee Hui Ying: To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry has reviewed the qualifying salary thresholds for Employment Passes in view of the expected increase in the CPF Ordinary Wage ceiling for Singaporean employees from 1 January 2026.
- **30. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how many complaints did the Ministry receive regarding safety, fraud or negligence involving foreign confinement nannies in the past two years; (b) whether the Ministry assesses the lack of regulation on direct hires such nannies as posing public safety risks to newborns and postpartum mothers; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider introducing mandatory safety protocols for all related Work Permit applications.
- **31. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry currently regulates or provides guidelines for employees in the security sector on (i) the maximum permissible work hours per day, given that the Singapore Police Force's licensing conditions only stipulate a maximum of 72 overtime hours per month and (ii) overtime compensation, given that PWM wage requirements now exclude such officers from Part 4 of the Employment Act.
- **32. Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for National Development whether the National Parks Board will consider correcting the name of the Berlayer Creek mangrove trail at Labrador Nature Reserve to Berlayar Creek mangrove trail, in light of the new Berlayar estate and historical place names in the area.
- **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport what are the mean and median weekday door-to-door commute times incurred from home to work or school and vice versa, based on LTA's latest available Household Travel Survey, disaggregated by (i) household types and (ii) income quartiles or quintiles.

- **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry monitors the pricing of EV public charging services; (b) what regulatory measures are in place to ensure fair, transparent and affordable pricing; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider introducing further measures to regulate prices at public EV charging stations.
- **35. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport whether the Government's definition for car-lite zoned public housing estates takes into account the proportion of the land area dedicated to roads.
- **36. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry tracks the number of passengers who are unable to board the first and second trains during peak hours; and (b) if so, whether the Ministry will release this data for the North East Line.
- **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) whether the Ministry can provide an update on the status of the renovation works for the Hougang sports centre and when in 2026 is the sports centre scheduled to be opened; and (b) whether members of the public will be allowed to play pickleball in the sports centre.