# FIFTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE (FIRST SESSION)

# ORDER PAPER TUESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2025

*No. 3* 11.30 am

## **QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER\***

- \*1. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Education with regard to the recent Sengkang Green Primary bullying case, what further steps have the Ministry taken to strengthen anti-bullying measures and ensure timely support for both victims and perpetrators, including mental health resources.
- \*2. Mr David Hoe: To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry will consider (a) reviewing existing anti-bullying disciplinary and rehabilitation frameworks to render them more robust; (b) augmenting suspension-based punitive measures with in-school structured reflection, supervised work and restorative conferences, instead of home suspensions; (c) setting minimum competencies and staff-training hours to strengthen educators' capabilities to handle bullying; and (d) pilot cluster-level bullying support teams by counsellors/para-counsellors.
- \*3. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the framework for determining the extent of disciplinary measures to be taken against perpetrators of bullying incidents that have been reported in primary schools and secondary schools; (b) what are the follow-up measures that are taken to address the needs of victims and perpetrators; and (c) what is the Ministry's assessment of the effectiveness of the measures.
- \*4. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether there is a Ministry or cluster level framework in place on how schools should deal with bullying cases; and (b) whether the Ministry encourages schools to share and develop best practices of dealing with bullying cases amongst themselves.
- \*5. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how quickly are teachers expected to investigate and take action after a report of bullying has been made; and (b) whether the Ministry's protocols on bullying are followed throughout the process in the recent bullying incident at Sengkang Green Primary School.
- \*6. **Mr Liang Eng Hwa:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether schools are adequately resourced to prevent the occurrences of bullying incidents in schools; (b) whether there are proactive monitoring and surveillance to pick up early signs of bullying situations; and (c) what further preventive measures can be taken.
- \*7. **Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how will the Ministry equip schools and teachers to detect and respond to multifaceted forms of bullying; and (b) how will the Ministry ensure consistency and accountability of all parties across institutions.

- \*8. Ms Joan Pereira: To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will consider adopting more aspects of evidence-based anti-bullying programmes such as intervention teams; (b) what new measures are being considered to further empower victims and bystanders to report bullying incidents safely; and (c) whether there are plans to enhance support systems, such peer support groups, for students affected by bullying.
- \*9. Ms Elysa Chen: To ask the Minister for Education how many reported school bullying cases in the past three years involved suspected or confirmed child maltreatment of either the perpetrator or victim of bullying, in light of the impact that a family environment has on a child's behaviour.
- \*10. Mr Xie Yao Quan: To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will consider setting up a centralised anti-bullying unit to support schools to investigate the most egregious cases of bullying and follow up with disciplinary and rehabilitative actions, so as to avoid overburdening teachers; and (b) if not, why not.
- \*11. Mr Yip Hon Weng: To ask the Minister for Education (a) what are the established timelines for schools to investigate bullying incidents and to provide updates to the parents of involved students; and (b) what specific measures are implemented to separate the involved students during an investigation to ensure the victim's safety on school premises and prevent fear-based absenteeism or the need for a school transfer.
- \*12. Dr Charlene Chen: To ask the Minister for Education (a) what resources are available to schools to detect and counter less visible forms of bullying such as manipulation, exclusion, and cyberbullying; (b) how does the Ministry support teachers in managing bullying cases; and (c) what measures beyond training are implemented to ensure teachers have the time and resources to address bullying without adding to their risk of burnout.
- \*13. Mr Xie Yao Quan: To ask the Minister for Manpower in respect of a lower proportion of fresh graduates from Institutes of Higher Learning landing full-time permanent employment after graduation (a) what are the cyclical and structural factors contributing to this trend; (b) how does the GRaduate Industry Traineeships Programme (GRIT) address these factors; and (c) what further measures is the Ministry considering to address these factors.
- \*14. Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the GRaduate Industry Traineeships (GRIT) Programme will affect the long-term earning potential of fresh graduates; (b) what guardrails guide its implementation and how are these reviewed; and (c) how are host employers and sectors selected, especially in strategic growth sectors.
- \*15. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan: To ask the Minister for Manpower what plans does the Ministry have to encourage host employers to fairly consider fresh graduates participating in the GRaduate Industry Traineeships (GRIT) Programme for conversion to full-time positions.
- \*16. Mr Liang Eng Hwa: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what is the number of companies that will be participating in the GRaduate Industry Traineeships programme; and (b) what is the allocation breakdown of the 800 traineeship places among the universities, polytechnics and ITEs.
- \*17. Ms Gho Sze Kee: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how many companies are currently on board the GRaduate Industry Traineeships (GRIT) Programme; and (b) how will the Ministry monitor and ensure the quality of the traineeship experience.

- \*18. Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what measures are there to ensure that GRaduate Industry Traineeships (GRIT) offer meaningful, structured learning experiences for fresh graduates; (b) how will the Ministry monitor the quality of host organisations and mentorship provided; and (c) how will GRIT draw from best practices in internship programmes at tertiary institutions for a win-win outcome for trainees and participating companies.
- \*19. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Manpower what safeguards are in place under the GRaduate Industry Traineeships (GRIT) Programme to ensure that the emphasis remains on providing meaningful training and developmental opportunities to fresh graduates, rather than on cost-savings for host organisations.
- \*20. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how the initial number of 800 Graduate Industry Traineeship positions was determined; and (b) what is the Ministry's projected demand for traineeship placements based on the number of recent graduates in 2024 and 2025 who are seeking employment.
- \*21. Mr Yip Hon Weng: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what key factors contribute to the decrease in employment in permanent jobs for fresh graduates; (b) what are the goals and KPIs of the new Government-funded traineeship programme for recent graduates; and (c) how does it address the factors affecting permanent jobs for fresh graduates and what other measures are planned to arrest this employment trend.
- \*22. Mr Foo Cexiang: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry's plan to only select certain HDB precincts for Voluntary Early Redevelopment Scheme (VERS) will result in VERS having a lottery effect; and (b) whether the Ministry can design VERS to apply to all HDB flats.
- \*23. Mr Low Wu Yang Andre: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) how does the Ministry define and quantify the less generous compensation terms of VERS as compared to SERS particularly in relation to a flat's market value; (b) what safeguards will protect homeowners whose VERS compensation could be lower than their outstanding mortgage; and (c) what is the projected median cash top-up required for displaced households to secure replacement housing.
- \*24. Mr Low Wu Yang Andre: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the primary policy rationale for compensation under VERS being less generous than SERS; (b) how does the shift away from the SERS lottery effect support the goal of long-term housing affordability; and (c) what assurance can the Ministry provide that VERS will primarily serve as an orderly renewal programme and not a wealth-generating one.
- \*25. Mr Foo Cexiang: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether the National Environment Agency will review the practice of operators of socially-conscious enterprise hawker centres requiring hawkers to absorb the 10 percent discount offered to customers paying via the operator apps.
- \*26. **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower how many individuals have received assistance under the SkillsFuture Jobseeker Support Scheme since its launch in April 2025 given the projection that it will benefit around 60,000 jobseekers annually.

- \*27. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health given that pre-authorisation helps ensure that policyholders have access to non-panel doctors and receive cost-effective treatments, whether the Ministry will implement measures to ensure that policyholders continue to have access to the full benefits of their Integrated Shield Plan should an insurer stop issuing pre-authorisation certificates.
- \*28. Ms Mariam Jaafar: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health given Integrated Shield Plans are primarily healthcare financing tools, whether the Government will consider reviewing the regulatory framework for Integrated Shield Plans to give greater regulatory oversight to the Ministry, or adopting a stronger dual or co-regulation model, to ensure better alignment with national healthcare priorities and patient protection.
- \*29. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport what are LTA's plans to alleviate train congestion or to increase train frequency for the North-East Line (NEL), especially for commuters living in the northeast.
- \*30. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what is the current number of trains operating on the North-East Line (NEL) during peak-hours; (b) what is (i) the corresponding maximum passengers per hour per direction and (ii) the capacity utilisation during peak-hours; and (c) whether there are plans and the potential to further increase capacity of the NEL given rising demand.
- \*31. Mr Ang Wei Neng: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry is looking into facilitating more point-to-point (P2P) transfers between Singapore and Johor Bahru given the setting up of Johor-Singapore Economic Zone; and (b) if so, how will the Ministry safeguard the livelihood of Singapore P2P drivers given the large cost disparity of driving Malaysian-registered and Singapore-registered vehicles.
- \*32. Ms Yeo Wan Ling: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport what considerations have been put in place to ensure that Singaporean taxi and private hire drivers' livelihoods are safeguarded even if more licences are made available to Malaysian cross-border services upon review of the Cross Border Taxi Scheme.
- \*33. Ms Tin Pei Ling: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether there has been an increase in illegal ride-hailing in Singapore detected by LTA over the past six months and, if so, by how much; and (b) what further actions will LTA take to enforce against illegal ride-hailing to protect local licensed private hire drivers and passenger safety.
- \*34. Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what are the key considerations that will guide Singapore's position on cross-border ride-hailing; and (b) how does the Ministry intend to balance user convenience with safeguards to protect the livelihoods of local private-hire drivers.
- \*35. Ms Gho Sze Kee: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) when will the independent panel's findings on the sinkhole that appeared on Tanjong Katong Road South on 26 July 2025 be released; (b) who are the panel members; (c) whether any preliminary findings can be shared; and (d) what measures are in place to periodically check the structural integrity of nearby roads and buildings.

- \*36. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether an update can be provided on the cause of the sinkhole which occurred on the evening of 26 July 2025 along Tanjong Katong Road; and (b) what additional measures will be taken in future to prevent or minimise the occurrence of such sinkholes in the vicinity as well as on all our roads generally.
- \*37. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) when will the independent review of practices and safeguards pertaining to the sinkhole incident on 26 July 2025 at Tanjong Katong Road South be completed; (b) what is the frequency of sewer shaft inspections to ensure their continued structural integrity; and (c) whether any additional measures have been made by the Ministry to ensure workers' safety at similar worksites.
- \*38. Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) of the approximately 2,400 immediate vacancies on Careers@Gov available in the public sector for fresh graduates as of 10 July 2025, what is the total number of applicants for these vacancies to-date; (b) how many vacancies have been filled; and (c) how many new vacancies for fresh graduates have been created in the public service since 10 July 2025.
- \*39. Mr Low Wu Yang Andre: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance in view of the threat of artificial intelligence-driven job displacement, what specific economic indicators or graduate unemployment thresholds will trigger an increased public sector hiring to support Singaporeans as has been done during past economic downturns.
- \*40. Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance what is the Government's response to Singapore's recent drop in ranking in the International Institute for Management Development's World Talent Ranking 2025, which assesses the three pillars of investment and development, appeal and readiness.
- \*41. Mr Saktiandi Supaat: To ask the Minister for Manpower what strategies are being put in place to safeguard job stability for Singaporeans in light of rising trade tensions and structural shifts in the labour market.
- \*42. Mr Liang Eng Hwa: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what is the progress on the take-up rate of NEA's Incubation Stall Programme; and (b) whether the programme will be reviewed and improved to achieve better outcomes.
- \*43. Ms Hazlina Abdul Halim: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how many jobseekers are able to find jobs after being retrenched for more than a year; and (b) whether the Ministry can consider convening a "returnship" programme to support companies in reemploying jobseekers who are returning to the workforce including working mothers and retrenched professionals.
- \*44. Mr Vikram Nair: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in light of the increase in cases of Government officials impersonation scams, phishing scams and the amounts lost to such scams, whether the Ministry is considering additional measures which are specifically targeted at such scams.
- \*45. **Ms Poh Li San:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in view of the \$456m lost to scams and with almost 20,000 cases reported in the first half of 2025 (a) how much have been recovered for these cases; and (b) how many cases are successful in recovering part or all of the scammed amount.

- \*46. **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether the Police will implement multi-language selection and support for the Scamshield helpline; (b) whether multilingual outreach materials on Scamshield will be made available at community nodes; and (c) if so, what are the rollout timeline and KPIs.
- \*47. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan: To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry tracks the career impact of SkillsFuture credits on Singaporeans who have utilised them in terms of (i) employment status (ii) hours worked and (iii) wage outcomes, since such data may increase take-up rates.
- \*48. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what are the employment outcomes for unemployed individuals who have utilised SkillsFuture credit, the SkillsFuture Career Transition Programme, and the SkillsFuture Level-Up Programme; (b) which segments of jobseekers have seen lower success rates; and (c) how does the Ministry plan to narrow the gap between skills upgrading and actual job placements.
- \*49. **Mr Kwek Hian Chuan Henry:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what percentage of SkillsFuture Level-Up participants secured new employment within nine months of enrolment, with a breakdown by age groups 40–49 and 50–59; and (b) what were their median wages before and after completion of training.
- \*50. **Dr Hamid Razak:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the SkillsFuture Mid-Career Training Allowance for mid-career workers aged 40 and above can also cover Singaporeans in their 30s who need to pick up new skills for fast-growing industries; and (b) whether more flexibility can be given for its use for further studies such as to pursue postgraduate qualifications.
- \*51. Mr Vikram Nair: To ask the Minister for Education (a) in 2025, how many Singaporeans have (i) used their SkillsFuture credits or (ii) received training allowances to pursue upskilling and reskilling under the SkillsFuture Mid-Career Training Allowance scheme; and (b) how do the numbers in 2025 compare with that of 2024.
- \*52. Mr Foo Cexiang: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry whether the Ministry will consider disclosing the carbon tax relief given to individual companies and the emissions of their facilities to subject them to greater scrutiny and strengthen their incentive to decarbonise.
- \*53. Mr Victor Lye: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport how does the Ministry intend to regulate foreign vehicles used by workers holding valid work passes for commuting to Singapore and which are also used for commercial purposes while in Singapore.
- \*54. Ms Hany Soh: To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry will consider encouraging more schools to introduce games similar to the "Glory and Grit 7s" where players who are not on school teams for various sports are also given the opportunity to participate in tournaments.
- \*55. Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether subsidised patients can be transferred directly from a National Healthcare Group hospital to a SingHealth hospital without needing a new polyclinic referral to maintain their subsidies.

- \*56. Mr Shawn Loh: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry has assessed outcomes of the Household Services Scheme, including take-up rate, affordability of pricing, ease of use, and sufficiency to meet market demand; and (b) whether the Ministry has considered allowing part-time participation of the Household Services Scheme by migrant domestic workers to increase labour supply without increasing migrant worker numbers.
- \*57. **Ms Yeo Wan Ling:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) in each of the past five years, how many migrant domestic workers and unofficial employers have been fined for illegal moonlighting; and (b) what is the take-up rate of the Household Services Scheme since its permanent formalisation in 2021.
- \*58. Ms Gho Sze Kee: To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) how does the National Arts Council help artistes build commercially sustainable careers while safeguarding artistic integrity, including supporting them to monetise and showcase their work effectively; (b) what platforms exist locally and abroad to expand their reach; and (c) whether there are new schemes planned to boost portfolios, business opportunities and market presence.
- \*59. Mr Shawn Loh: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance in relation to the Government's statement in May 2025 that the Government will provide cost-of-living support for as long as it is needed, what are the factors that determine whether such Government support should continue, given that inflation has moderated, but cost of living anxieties remain elevated.
- \*60. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what has been the trend of vacant commercial units in Singapore over the past three years; (b) whether this is due to landlords holding out for higher rents to secure better valuations; (c) what impact do persistently high rents have on business viability and growth; and (d) whether a vacancy tax is being considered.
- \*61. Mr Xie Yao Quan: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether the Auditor-General's Office will consider deploying artificial intelligence (AI) to strengthen and expand its checks on Ministries and Government agencies in the area of contract management and procurement; (b) whether the AI capability can be deployed across Ministries and Government agencies to strengthen their contract management and procurement; and (c) if so, what are the timelines for implementation.
- \*62. Ms Poh Li San: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry has any plan to bring forward the implementation of new rules for motorised personal mobility aids (PMA) scheduled for 2026; and (b) whether the Ministry has any communication plan to reach out to PMA users on the new rules to help ineligible users with the transition to alternative forms of mobility aid.
- \*63. Ms Lee Hui Ying: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) how often does LTA review pedestrian and traffic volumes of the existing pedestrian overhead bridges (POB) at Khatib MRT station; and (b) what is the increase in volume that will warrant an expansion of the POB to accommodate more pedestrians in view of expected population increase due to new BTO flats in Chencharu estate.
- \*64. Mr Victor Lye: To ask the Minister for Education whether tuition fee loans and the CPF Education Loan Scheme can be extended to working adults who take up part-time bachelor degrees or higher studies at recognized institutions to encourage mid-career skills development.

- \*65. Mr David Hoe: To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will consider studying or piloting an age-appropriate SkillsFuture scheme for primary to post-secondary students from lower-income households to have access to subsidised out-of-school opportunities; (b) if so, what targeting and guardrails such as means-testing, school referral, per-child caps, and approved providers can apply; and (c) how can outcomes such as participation and progression be evaluated.
- \*66. Ms Yeo Wan Ling: To ask the Minister for National Development with regard to the rise of pickleball playing in HDB estates (a) whether guidelines will be developed on community noise allowance standards on such high impact ball sports; and (b) whether a study can be convened to convert HDB communal sports facilities such as badminton courts to more multi-purpose facilities with safety enhancements and sound dampeners.
- \*67. Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether studies have been done to examine and quantify the economic impact of banning workers being ferried on the back of lorries; and (b) if so, whether details of these studies can be shared.
- \*68. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) how many work-related road fatalities and injuries have been recorded in the first half of 2025; (b) how does the Ministry intend to ensure that the 2026 deadline to install mandatory lorry speed limiters is met; and (c) what are the Ministry's plans to further improve the safety of workers, particularly those transported in the back of lorries.
- \*69. Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo: To ask the Minister for Education given the increasing prevalence of mental distress among students (a) whether the Ministry plans to (i) increase the ratio and training of school counsellors (ii) embed mental health literacy and resilience-building into the curriculum and (iii) strengthen referral pathways between schools, families, and community mental health services to ensure timely and coordinated support; and (b) if so, how.
- \*70. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat: To ask the Minister for Education (a) what criteria warrant more than one full-time counsellor per school; (b) whether independent audits have assessed allocation adequacy; (c) if so, whether results will be published and when will allocations be revised; and (d) whether the Ministry will meet the American School Counsellor Association (ASCA) recommendation of 1:250 counsellor-to-student ratio.
- \*71. Mr Fadli Fawzi: To ask the Acting Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs (a) whether the Government prosecutes offences under Part 9 of the Administration of Muslim Law Act 1966 (such as cohabitation outside marriage, enticing unmarried woman from wali and non-payment of zakat); (b) if so, whether investigations are initiated only after a complaint by MUIS is made; and (c) what role does MUIS play during related Police investigations and charging decisions by the Attorney-General's Chambers.
- \*72. **Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng:** To ask the Minister for National Development how frequently are audits and maintenance works conducted for HDB rental flats.
- \*73. Mr Fadli Fawzi: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether it is the Ministry's assessment that exclusion of income earned from assets and investments is likely to understate Singapore's Gini coefficient and thus significantly under-account for income inequality in Singapore, based on its estimates of non-work income earned by higher-earning residents.

- \*74. Mr Kwek Hian Chuan Henry: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether an update can be provided on HDB's efforts to keep the rent of HDB shops affordable, in particular those selling cooked food or providing medical services; and (b) whether HDB is exploring ways to moderate rental increases in high-rent areas, including by increasing the supply of HDB-owned shops.
- \*75. Mr Ang Wei Neng: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) as of August 2025, how many HDB shops are (i) sold and (ii) rented out directly by HDB respectively; (b) how many HDB shops which have been sold have a remaining lease of less than 10 years, as of August 2025; and (c) whether the recent steep rise in the rent of privately held HDB rental shops is due to a shortage in supply of HDB shops.
- \*76. Ms Mariam Jaafar: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) for each year in the past three years, what has been the year-on-year increase in average rental per square foot for HDB commercial units (i) rented directly from HDB (ii) sublet from a master tenant that rents from HDB and (iii) sublet from a private owner, respectively; and (b) whether HDB is considering approaches to keep rental rates in check in each of these categories.
- \*77. **Mr Ng Chee Meng:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport what is the progress of feasibility studies on the Seletar MRT Line where plans were first announced in 2019.
- \*78. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth how will Sport Singapore ensure sufficient capacity of affordable public sports facilities accessible to Kolam Ayer and Jalan Besar residents, following the closure of Kallang Basin Swimming Complex and St Wilfred Sport Centre.
- \*79. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin: To ask the Minister for Education over the past five years, what is the percentage of students who are looking to progress from ITE to polytechnic through the (i) Joint Admission Exercise and (ii) Direct Admission Exercise are unsuccessful in their applications.
- \*80. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will implement new guidelines (i) mandating that employers provide clarity in job postings on employment platforms including salary ranges, job descriptions and expected recruitment timelines and (ii) requiring employers to furnish unsuccessful interviewees with a reason for their rejection so that they can use it as developmental feedback to enhance their future employability.
- \*81. Mr Saktiandi Supaat: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry in view of the potential energy supply implications from Indonesia's recalibration of the liquefied natural gas (LNG) trade, including its shift towards imports from the US and prioritisation for domestic use (a) what is the impact on Singapore; and (b) and what steps will be taken to diversify Singapore's energy sources and enhance long-term energy security.
- \*82. **Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth what additional support measures will be introduced to strengthen the psychological well-being of national athletes, especially in areas of (i) financial stress (ii) performance pressure and (iii) in their transition to life after professional sports.
- \*83. Ms Valerie Lee: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport what factors does the Ministry consider when deciding to (i) add bus routes and (ii) increase the frequency or capacity of bus services in particular precincts.

- \*84. Mr Kwek Hian Chuan Henry: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) for each year from 2022 to 2025, how many foreign online influence operations were detected; (b) what platforms and techniques were involved in such operations; (c) what reach was recorded for each operation; and (d) how many of such cases were takedowns or counter-messaging executed.
- \*85. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport over the past five years (a) whether there have been instances where train operators have failed to inform commuters of MRT service delays in excess of ten minutes as required by LTA; (b) what are the penalties borne by the operators should they fail to adhere to these requirements; and (c) whether LTA has penalised any train operators for non-adherence.
- \*86. Mr Sharael Taha: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry will reconsider increasing the Mean Kilometres Between Failures (MKBF)) target for the MRT network to above 1 million MKBF and introduce a yearly improvement target to reflect the need for continuous improvement; and (b) how does Singapore's MKBF target compare with rail networks in other countries.
- \*87. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat: To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) for each financial year in the last five years, what is the total quantum of Government grants and subsidies provided directly to operators of preschools under the (i) Anchor Operator and (ii) Partner Operator schemes, separate from subsidies disbursed to parents; and (b) what does this amount to on a perenrolled-student basis for each scheme.
- \*88. Mr Victor Lye: To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry has considered the feasibility of (i) adopting brain-based pedagogies to facilitate different learning behaviours (ii) assessing preschoolers using neuroscience and cognitive psychology to match them to suitable primary school pedagogies instead of a "one class fits all" approach and (iii) using adaptive AI tools in primary schools to personalise maths and language learning.
- \*89. Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what key performance indicators will be used to measure the success of autonomous vehicle trials; (b) what safety benchmarks are in place; and (b) how legal liability and system security risks will be addressed.
- \*90. Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Minister for Education from 2022 to 2024 (a) how many teachers have joined the flexi-adjunct teaching scheme from the General Education Service annually; and (b) what is the median duration of that time teachers remain on the flexi-adjunct scheme for each of these years.
- \*91. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan: To ask the Minister for Manpower what measures are being taken to address the impact of the rise of artificial intelligence (AI) on the gender employment gap given that women's jobs are at disproportionately higher risk of being replaced by AI as compared to their male counterparts.
- \*92. **Ms Hany Soh:** To ask the Minister for National Development with regard to the planned Woodlands forest clearance to commence in 2026, how will the Ministry mitigate and minimise adverse impacts to the flora and fauna there, especially to the critically and endangered species.
- \*93. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Minister for National Development whether HDB will consider waiving non-selection counts when the final price of a BTO unit exceeds the indicative price range given for a project.

- \*94. Ms Joan Pereira: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether there is a rise in the number of fire incidents in HDB flats; and (b) if so, whether the Singapore Civil Defence Force will consider embarking on a comprehensive nation-wide educational and emergency preparedness campaign, including evacuation drills, to ensure that all residents are equipped with knowledge on what to do during a fire or emergencies.
- \*95. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether there are plans to terminate the Allied Educators programme; and (b) if so, what is the justification.
- \*96. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Minister for Education whether, alongside the launch of postgraduate programmes in Mandarin at autonomous universities, the Ministry will ensure that equivalent English-language programmes are provided.
- \*97. Mr Saktiandi Supaat: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what measures are being considered to mitigate a potential spike in COE premiums in late 2025 due to anticipated vehicle demand ahead of the revised electric vehicle rebate schedule; and (b) how will such measures ensure market stability and affordable vehicle ownership.
- \*98. Ms Poh Li San: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport what are the Ministry's considerations in (i) lowering rebates for Band A1 vehicles under the Vehicular Emissions Scheme (VES), (ii) excluding VES rebates for hybrid vehicles and (iii) ceasing the EV Early Adoption Incentive (EEAI) after 2026, in light of the pace of new electric vehicle (EV) and hybrid car ownership and the impact of already high COE prices.
- \*99. Ms Lee Hui Ying: To ask the Minister for National Development what are the guidelines and factors that the Animal & Veterinary Service (AVS) and NParks take into account in deciding whether a report of alleged animal cruelty or neglect should be addressed by (i) a warning letter (ii) a composition fine or (iii) prosecution.
- \*100. Ms Lee Hui Ying: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether an update can be provided on the timeline for completing the review of the Animals and Birds Act; and (b) what specific engagements will the Ministry conduct based on the recommendations outlined in the White Paper released by SPCA and ACRES on 26 August 2025.
- \*101. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik: To ask the Minister for National Development whether there are plans to expand the pigeon management plan to more constituencies and HDB blocks to address roosting and hygiene issues in residential areas.
- \*102. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) why are Town Councils required to bear the costs of connecting sheltered linkways and footpaths for projects implemented by LTA on HDB land, such as the construction of elevators at pedestrian overhead bridges; and (b) whether the Ministry will review this cost allocation to ensure Town Councils are not unduly burdened financially.
- \*103. Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what steps are taken by the National Mental Health Office to better consolidate and coordinate data relating to suicide statistics in order to formulate more targeted protective support for those at risk; (b) whether a national suicide prevention strategy will be developed to ensure our suicide prevention efforts support all segments; and (c) if so, when.

- \*104. Mr Cai Yinzhou: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in light of recurring HDB fires and public concern, whether the Government will establish a dedicated Task Force on Electrical Consumer Goods Fire Safety across agencies and stakeholders.
- \*105. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what percentage of pre-2018 HDB units lack Home Fire Alarm Devices (HFADs); (b) what cost-benefit analysis supports not mandating HFADs for older units when it is compulsory for new HDB homes; (c) whether HFADs will be mandated for all units/corridors of older HDB blocks; and (d) whether linkage to centralised building systems will be considered for efficient evacuations.
- \*106. Dr Charlene Chen: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry tracks data on employee burnout by sector; (b) if so, which sectors have the highest levels of employee burnout leading to higher attrition; and (c) how can the Ministry both alleviate pressures in these sectors and channel jobseekers into areas where there is demand for manpower, while ensuring that working conditions remain sustainable.
- \*107. Mr Sharael Taha: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health whether the Ministry will consider stronger deterrence by subjecting importers and distributors of vapes to the same penalties as those importing and distributing etomidate-laced vapes, in view of the finding that one in three confiscated vape devices tested positive for etomidate and given the potential ease of using vape devices to deliver other unknown drugs or substances in the future.
- \*108. Miss Rachel Ong: To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry has plans to require all schools including Institutes of Higher Learning (IHLs) to install vape detectors on campus; and (b) whether students caught vaping in IHLs have access to counselling support.
- \*109. Mr Sharael Taha: To ask the Minister for Education (a) how can detection of vape devices in schools be improved more effectively; (b) how will nicotine test kits be implemented in schools; (c) how can a "peer vigilance culture" be designed as being supportive rather than seen negatively by students; and (d) how can students who have been identified as vape users be better supported.
- \*110. Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in respect of the significant difference between the provisional and actual data for suicide statistics for 2023 (a) whether the Ministry can provide an update on the strategies for more accurate and timely data; and (b) whether explanations can be provided for this disparity to better understand and aid more responsive policies and community interventions for suicide prevention.
- \*111. Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry has been tracking the number of subcontractors and foreign work pass holders that are engaged by platform companies or operators to meet surge demands or for any other reason; and (b) how does the Ministry ensure that income opportunities for local platform workers are not compromised arising from such arrangements.
- \*112. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye: To ask the Minister for Manpower in light of the five recorded workplace fatalities in May 2025 (a) whether the Government has information on the number of companies that participated in the June 2025 voluntary safety timeout; (b) if so, what is the number; (c) how many Ministry inspections and enforcement actions were conducted during this period; and (d) what were the common safety lapses identified.

- \*113. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether there are other mixed-use developments in Singapore managed under a single MCST like Compass One and Compass Heights; and (b) if not, what were the considerations in allowing Compass One and Compass Heights to be managed under one MCST.
- \*114. Ms Mariam Jaafar: To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what is the current number of eligible children who have no or inactive Child Development Account (CDA) accounts; and (b) what are the barriers preventing families from opening and utilising CDA accounts.
- \*115. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the Climate Vouchers can be extended to tenants residing under Single Room Shared Facilities to encourage take-up of climate-friendly appliances; and (b) if not, what are the considerations.
- \*116. Ms Hazlina Abdul Halim: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) what measures can Singapore deploy to assist the Palestine Authority towards statehood and accelerate implementation of the Two-State Solution; and (b) under what circumstances will Singapore consider stronger actions such as sanctions or embargo on Israel or recognising Palestine as a state, given the excessive military action in Gaza, blockade to assistance, and potential violations of international humanitarian laws.
- \*117. Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) in view of the number of UN member states recognising the Palestinian state, including declared intentions by Australia and key G7 members to do so at the next UN General Assembly, whether Singapore will reconsider its current position; and (b) what factors does the Government consider when assessing sovereign statehood recognition in accordance with international law.
- \*118. Miss Rachel Ong: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry whether there are plans to (i) introduce further regulations on the 3D printing industry and sales of 3D printers to the public to ensure they are not used to produce illegal items or parts; and (b) what responsibilities are placed on retailers and online platforms to prevent misuse of printers and design files.
- \*119. Miss Rachel Ong: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) how many cases have occurred in Singapore where digital blueprints or design files are submitted to 3D printers to produce illegal items, including vapes or weapons; and (b) what safeguards exist for individuals and businesses to prevent misuse of 3D printing technology.
- \*120. Mr Ang Wei Neng: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what is the latest progress on the Jurong Region MRT Line (JRL); (b) when is the earliest possible date for phase 1 of the JRL to be operational.
- \*121. Mr Cai Yinzhou: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry whether the Ministry will consider imposing a registration, approval, or certification requirement for power banks sold in Singapore, to ensure that such power banks comply with standards and requirements set out in the Consumer Protection (Consumer Goods Safety Requirements) Information Booklet published by the Consumer Product Safety Office.
- \*122. Mr Fadli Fawzi: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance in relation to the same financial institutions which are penalised for breaching anti-money laundering (AML) requirements in 2016/2017 and 2025 (a) how do the breaches differ for each incident; (b) whether the Government considers these institutions to have sufficiently strengthened their AML controls after 2016/2017; and (c) if so, why are these institutions penalised again in 2025.

- \*123. Mr Cai Yinzhou: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what criteria the does Ministry use in deciding whether to ban certain types of electronic products on flights; and (b) to what extent and how does the Ministry work with aviation authorities in other jurisdictions to determine the scope of any ban.
- \* 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.

#### ORDER OF THE DAY

1. PRESIDENT'S SPEECH (ADDRESS OF THANKS): Resumption of Debate on Question (22 September 2025) (2nd Allotted Day), 'That the following Address in reply to the Speech of the President be agreed to:-

"We, the Parliament of the Republic of Singapore, express our thanks to the President for the Speech which he delivered on behalf of the Government at the Opening of the First Session of this Parliament.". '- (Mr Sharael Taha).

## **MEMORANDUM**

Matters proposed to be raised on the Motions for the Adjournment (SO 2(8)(b)).

Ms Tin Pei Ling : The Future of Library. (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)

# **QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER**

- 1. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what is the number of customers in Singapore who have been impacted by the ceasing of operations of Tokenize Xchange; (b) what is the amount of funds that have been impacted; and (c) what is the recourse for customers in Singapore.
- 2. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what systemic measures is the Government taking to strengthen financial governance, procurement practices, and IT controls across Ministries and statutory boards in response to the Auditor-General's Report FY2024/25; and (b) how will the public be assured that recurring lapses flagged in past audit cycles are being addressed.
- 3. Mr Lee Hong Chuang: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Government is considering to provide increased financial support or subsidies targeted at seniors living alone to help them access better healthcare, social services, or housing tailored to their needs.
- **4. Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) how is the upper limit of three months' gross rent for security deposits determined in the latest Code of Conduct for Leasing of Retail Premises; (b) when will be the next review of the Code; and (c) whether the Ministry has reviewed the appropriateness of the upper limit for security deposits in the two revisions.
- **Mr Ng Shi Xuan:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry with regard to retail premises with a qualifying lease subject to the Code of Conduct for Leasing of Retail Premises, what is the breakdown of the number of retail premises (i) in intervals of 1,000 square feet up to 5,000 square feet and (ii) that are more than 5,000 square feet.
- **Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry whether the Ministry will consider expanding the availability of Government (i) business support materials (ii) grant application guides and (iii) SME portals, in Chinese, to ensure inclusivity for Chinese-speaking business owners, especially the traditional micro-enterprise.
- 7. **Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry whether the Government has any plans to provide further support to Singaporean small and medium enterprises (SMEs) operating or expanding overseas, particularly in navigating regulatory challenges or geopolitical risks in regional markets.
- **8. Mr Edward Chia Bing Hui:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) whether the Ministry will consider installing cameras to enforce against illegal Uturns; and (b) what is the latest average monthly deployment of enforcement personnel to address illegal Uturns and zebra crossing violations.
- 9. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in what circumstances will (i) permanent residents and (ii) work pass holders have their permanent residency or work pass revoked when they commit a criminal offence in Singapore.

- Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in view of the recent global regulatory developments on loot boxes, which include requirements for probability disclosure and parental consent in the US, South Korea and China, whether the Ministry will study and consider the feasibility of implementing similar measures in Singapore to safeguard consumers, particularly youths, from the risks associated with chance-based monetisation mechanics in video games.
- 11. Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs in light of recent restriction orders issued against youths influenced by a wide range of extremist ideologies (a) what challenges does ISD face in keeping pace with the evolving threat landscape and rapid change in technology and social media trends; and (b) how are our youths being safeguarded from such influences.
- 12. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs (a) what proportion of the residential fires in HDB flats this year are caused by active mobility devices (AMDs) or their batteries; (b) of the fires due to AMDs or their batteries, what is the breakdown by the three main types of devices: (i) mobility scooters (ii) electric bicycles and (iii) escooters.
- 13. Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Public Services and Minister for Defence in light of the recent case of a cyclist intruding into a live-firing exercise within the restricted area of the Central Catchment Nature Reserve, what are the measures that the SAF has taken to ensure security of the area to prevent any incursion into similar training or live-firing areas for the safety of SAF personnel and members of the public.
- **Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Public Services and Minister for Defence (a) what lessons has the Ministry learnt from recent cyber threats to strengthen Singapore's cyber defence; and (b) whether there are plans to expand cyber defence units within the SAF, including greater recruitment of cyber specialists through national servicemen and regular servicemen.
- **Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health what are the Ministry's upcoming plans to re-evaluate the MediSave withdrawal limit including the consideration on regularity of reviews or public consultations in response to shifting healthcare costs, evolving medical technologies, and changing needs of Singaporeans.
- Mr Gabriel Lam: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what mental health programmes are being designed or deployed for working adults aged 30–39 facing combined stressors from parenting, caregiving, and economic insecurity; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider publishing more granular data on suicide attempts, not just deaths, and including indicators such as socioeconomic status, employment, and family background to improve targeting of mental health interventions.
- 17. Mr Alex Yeo: To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) what is the current percentage of seniors above the age of 70 diagnosed with dementia and osteoporosis; and (b) whether the Ministry has plans to include as part of the Healthier SG Programme, screening for predementia and osteoporosis which are common and potentially debilitating medical conditions among seniors in the community.

- **18. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry is studying the UK government's proposed ban on the sale of high-caffeine energy drinks to youths under the age of 16; and (b) whether the Ministry is aware of local studies done to examine the impact of consumption of such drinks on youths in Singapore.
- 19. Mr Saktiandi Supaat: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) whether Government organisations (i) obtain updates on new initiatives from private organisations coordinating humanitarian relief efforts, such as Rahmatan Lil Alamin Foundation and Humanity Matters and (ii) track and report whether aid contributions collected from Singaporeans face any restrictions in delivery to Gaza; and (b) how can Singaporeans best contribute to such Middle East humanitarian relief efforts.
- 20. Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether the Ministry can provide an update on the measures taken to promote recycling and increase the domestic recycling rate within businesses and residential areas in Singapore; and (b) whether NEA can consider co-locating various recycling bins for textile, e-waste, paper and recyclable plastic products, in a one-stop recyclables collection centre for convenience of users.
- **21. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what are the principles that currently guide who should bear the cost of providing affordable, nutritious meals to low-income patrons; and (b) whether the Ministry will review the current distribution of responsibility to prevent it from disproportionately falling on hawkers.
- **22. Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment for each year since 2016, what has been the level of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in Singapore's drinking water.
- **Ms Eileen Chong Pei Shan:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what is the number and percentage of preschools that currently offer the Development Support and Learning Support (DS-LS) programme; and (b) whether ECDA is on track to reach the target of expanding the DS-LS programme to cover 80% of preschoolers aged five to six by 2027.
- **24. Ms Mariam Jaafar:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development what has been the take-up rate for ComLink+ among eligible families.
- **25. Mr Fadli Fawzi:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) to date, what is the number of Singaporeans who have completed their Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA), broken down by (i) race (ii) age group (iii) income and (iv) gender; (b) whether the Ministry will extend the waiver of the LPA Form 1 filing fee beyond 31 March 2026; and (c) if no, why not.
- **26. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Minister for Digital Development and Information with the planned relocation of the Geylang East Public Library, what alternative arrangements will the National Library Board (NLB) introduce to ensure continued access to public library resources for residents in Sims Place, especially for children and elderly residents.
- **Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the \$4,000 SkillsFuture Credit (Mid-Career) can be used for professional licensure/exam fees; (b) if not, what is the rationale; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider piloting a capped, outcomes-based list of employability-critical exams eligible for SkillsFuture Credit.

- **28. Mr David Hoe:** To ask the Minister for Education whether there are plans to issue regulations or directives for (i) autonomous universities (AUs) to publish module-level GenAI usage rules distinguishing assistive/formatting tools from content generation (ii) due-process requirements in disciplinary proceedings alleging GenAI misuse and (iii) proportional and coherent penalties for GenAI misuse across AUs.
- **29. Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) when was the last review of school policies on bullying and hurtful behaviours in schools made; (b) what were the outcomes of the review; (c) what is the targeted completion date of the current review; and (d) whether the full findings of the review will be made public.
- 30. Mr Low Wu Yang Andre: To ask the Minister for Education in view of the rapid advancements of AI (a) what frameworks are being developed with our Institutes of Higher Learning to (i) guide the review of curricula and (ii) track and mitigate the risk of skills obsolescence for recent graduates; and (b) what new metrics will be used to measure the long-term employability of recent graduates in an AI-driven economy.
- **31. Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Education what are the average and median tenure durations of teachers for the periods (i) 1995 to 2009 and (ii) 2010 to 2025.
- **Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim:** To ask the Minister for Education what are the average and median attrition rates of teachers for the periods (i) 1995 to 2009 and (ii) 2010 to 2025.
- 33. **Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how does the Ministry ensure school curricula are regularly updated to equip students with skills relevant to the future economy, particularly in growth areas like digitalisation, sustainability, healthcare, and allied healthcare; (b) how frequently are such reviews conducted in consultation with industry; and (c) how is alignment ensured between education pathways and sectors with strong and emerging manpower demand.
- **Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Manpower for each year from 2021 to date (a) what is the number of companies that have failed to file a mandatory retrenchment notification (MRN) within the requisite period; and (b) what is the number of companies that have incurred penalties for failing to comply with this requirement.
- **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what is the number and proportion of active CPF members who have turned 55 years old from 2020 to 2024; and (b) in light of a higher rate of labour market disruption, whether the Ministry expects the proportion of active CPF members to decrease in the future.
- **36. Ms Elysa Chen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Government will consider introducing regulations requiring employers to provide protected time for mothers to pump breastmilk during working hours as part of strengthening workplace support for women.
- 37. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry is considering requiring employers to purchase the Primary Care Plan (PCP) for Work Permit and S Pass holders who do not stay in dormitories or work in the Construction, Marine Shipyard and Process sectors; and (b) whether the Ministry is considering requiring employers to purchase medical insurance for Employment Pass holders.

- 38. Mr Low Wu Yang Andre: To ask the Minister for Manpower over the last three years (a) how many complaints has the Ministry received regarding intrusive employee monitoring practices outside of working hours, such as location tracking by employers; (b) what percentage of these complaints has resulted in advisories or enforcement actions against the employer; and (c) what specific recourse is available to employees whose privacy has been breached.
- **39. Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry can give an update about its deliberations on whether it will make it the default position to publish the judgment and grounds of decision for cases brought before the Employment Claims Tribunal on an anonymised basis.
- **40. Dr Charlene Chen:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether differentiated platforms such as social media will be used for job matching of fresh graduates and young PMETs in their job searches; (b) what is the utilisation rate of the MyCareersFuture portal by this group; (c) what is the portal's efficacy in securing placements; and (d) what are the plans to increase awareness and adoption of the portal.
- 41. Mr Shawn Loh: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) for each year from 2020 to date, what is the average fine imposed on (i) migrant domestic workers who have provided unpermitted domestic services to multiple households and (ii) unofficial employers of such services, respectively; and (b) whether the Ministry considers income levels of such workers when calibrating the levels of fines to achieve punitive and deterrent objectives.
- 42. Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether risk assessment based on distant Sumatran quakes has been reviewed and updated following the recent seismic activity in Johor from the proximate Mersing Fault Zone; (b) what analysis assesses HDB blocks' ability to withstand shaking from this nearer source; and (c) whether the Ministry will commit to targeted structural inspections for the most vulnerable older HDB estates.
- 43. Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Animals and Birds Act will be reviewed to include the introduction of an aggravated cruelty category for serial offenders or cases resulting in death or permanent disability; (b) if so, what is the proposed definition; and (c) what is the policy rationale for the current maximum 18-month jail term.
- **Mr Kenneth Tiong Boon Kiat:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) when and why did controlled shooting for crow management cease; (b) whether there is a timeline to review reinstatement; (c) whether crow-related public nuisance and safety threats in residential estates has escalated; and (d) if so, whether the Government has a framework to address such increased nuisance and threats.
- 45. Mr Yip Hon Weng: To ask the Minister for National Development for condominiums over 30 years old (a) what is the status of the review of the Building Maintenance and Strata Management Act to better protect such ageing buildings; (b) whether there are plans to enhance regulations ensuring timely maintenance of common property by responsible parties; and (c) whether such condominium MCSTs will be mandated to maintain adequate sinking funds.
- **Ms He Ting Ru:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the current total stock in square metres of office, retail, and industrial space that has remained vacant for over one year; (b) whether studies have been undertaken to investigate the prevalence and scale of persistently vacant commercial or industrial units and their impact on rental volumes and prices; and (c) if so, what are the details of the studies.

- **Ms Valerie Lee:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) to date, what is the number of private property owners who are given a waiver of the 15-month wait-out period after selling their private property and before buying a HDB resale flat; and (b) whether the Ministry considers changes in family circumstances, such as adequacy of space or financial circumstances, as a factor when granting the waiver.
- **48. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry has data on the number of workers covered under the Progressive Wage Model (PWM) who currently reside in public rental housing and have experienced rent increases following wage adjustments; and (b) what specific support measures are in place to cushion the impact of rental increases for these PWM workers.
- **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) why has MRT reliability fallen to its lowest levels since 2020 with even newer lines showing significant declines; (b) what proportion of breakdowns are due to under-maintenance and poor equipment quality; (c) how effective are the upgraded signalling systems; and (d) what measures are being taken to address the root causes.
- **Mr Cai Yinzhou:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) how many cases of public feedback has the LTA received regarding irresponsible public riding behaviours; and (b) out of these feedback cases, how many have led to (i) enforcement actions against reported riders and (ii) seizure of Active Mobility Devices involved.
- Mr Cai Yinzhou: To ask the Acting Minister for Transport whether the Ministry will consider implementing regulations for Personal Mobility Aids (PMAs) and Power-Assisted Bicycles (PABs) to undergo periodic inspections to ensure continued compliance with relevant safety standards, similar to current regulations for Personal Mobility Devices (PMDs) to be inspected every two years.
- **Mr Shawn Loh:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry has data on the number of taxi and private hire car drivers who turn 75 years old in each year from 2022 to 2024; and (b) what are the considerations to maintain the maximum age limit for a vocational licence at 75 years old.
- **Mr Lee Hong Chuang:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry can provide an update on the implementation of ERP 2.0, including its expected benefits to motorists and transport planning; and (b) how does the Ministry plan to ensure transparency and data privacy for users of the new system.
- **54. Mr Abdul Muhaimin Abdul Malik:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport (a) what are the ridership statistics for City Direct Services 675, 676, and 677 since their launch in January 2025; and (b) what are the current average load factors for each of these services during peak hours.
- **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Acting Minister for Transport whether the Ministry has conducted studies on the relationship between rail service reliability and public transport adoption.
- **Mr Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth whether the Ministry can consider extending the CDC Vouchers scheme to benefit more merchants and retailers beyond merchants in HDB housing estates and hawker centres, especially in areas where those ineligible merchants are proximate to HDB and other residential estates.

**57. Dr Wan Rizal:** To ask the Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth over the past 10 years, what are the annual visitor numbers and visitors' demographic profiles (such as age, sex and race) for (i) the Kallang Basin Swimming Complex and (ii) the St Wilfred Sport Centre, respectively.