

**FOURTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE  
(SECOND SESSION)**

**ORDER PAPER  
FRIDAY, 7 MARCH 2025**

No. 160

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**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER\***

- \*1. Mr Xie Yao Quan:** To ask the Minister for Education in view of the results of the Joint Autonomous Universities Graduate Employment Survey 2024, whether the Ministry will consider further measures to boost the proportion of fresh graduates securing full-time permanent jobs after graduation.
- \*2. Ms Jessica Tan Soon Neo:** To ask the Minister for Education in view of the 2024 Joint Autonomous Universities Graduate Employment Survey which showed that salaries were higher but fewer graduates found employment within six months of completing their final exams (a) what factors are contributing to the decrease in the employment rate; (b) how do the fresh graduate employment rates vary across sectors; and (c) what is driving the increase in median salary among fresh graduates despite fewer jobs on offer.
- \*3. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Education in respect of the Joint Autonomous Universities Graduate Employment Survey 2024, what is the Ministry doing to monitor, manage, and mitigate the higher unemployment rate of fresh graduates as compared to the past two years.
- \*4. Mr Xie Yao Quan:** To ask the Minister for Education whether the Ministry can provide an update on the actions taken by Montfort Secondary School in response to a recent bullying incident in the school.
- \*5. Mr Xie Yao Quan:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry will be minded to adopt a clear zero-tolerance stance towards bullying in our schools; (b) whether the Ministry will be minded to (i) set up a centralised investigation unit and (ii) standardise and centrally administer a framework for punishment and rehabilitation to deal with egregious cases of bullying in our schools; and (c) if not, why not.
- \*6. Ms Hazel Poa:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the Ministry has launched an investigation into the bullying case at Montfort Secondary School; and (b) if so, what is the outcome of the investigation.
- \*7. Mr Patrick Tay Teck Guan:** To ask the Minister for Education what actions can the school take and what can the Ministry provide as a recourse to victims and their families if the bullying behaviour of a student continues even after police reports have been filed, the school's leadership informed and the bully's parents notified.
- \*8. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry will consider working with MAS to further enhance consumer safeguards and transparency requirements for riders offered under Integrated Shield Plans, particularly in ensuring that policyholders are adequately informed of any changes in coverage and premiums; and (b) what measures are in place to monitor the impact of these changes on policyholders especially in terms of affordability and accessibility to necessary healthcare services.

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- \*9. Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for National Development in each year of the last three years (a) how many children under the age of 12 have been injured in accidents involving their foot being trapped in escalators; (b) whether any of these accidents have led to permanent disabilities; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider additional safety measures to prevent and minimise similar accidents from recurring in the future.
- \*10. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) how does the Ministry assess the impact of the Johor-Singapore Special Economic Zone on the occupancy rates of Singapore's business parks; and (b) what strategic measures are being considered to enhance the competitiveness of our business parks in light of this regional development.

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## AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

### Introduction of Government Bills

- 1. Minister for Social and Family Development:**  
Social Residential Homes Bill.
  - 2. Minister for National Development:**  
Anti-Money Laundering and Other Matters (Estate Agents and Developers) Bill.
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## ORDER OF THE DAY

- 1.** Estimates for the financial year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026 (Paper Cmd. 32 of 2025) – Committee of Supply (Progress: 6 March 2025) (6<sup>th</sup> *Allotted Day*).

*Resumption of Debate on Question (6 March 2025)*

“That the total sum to be allocated for Head S of the Estimates be reduced by \$100.” – (Mr Desmond Choo).

[For amendments to be moved in the Committee of Supply, see Supplement No. 26 dated 28 February 2025.]

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## QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

- 1. Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry in view of the persistent high vacancy rates in our business parks (a) whether the Ministry has evaluated the effectiveness of existing incentive structures designed to attract tenants; (b) if so, what are the key findings; and (c) whether there are plans to revise these incentives to better align with current market demands.

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2. **Mr Yip Hon Weng:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs in view of the increase in speeding violations in 2024 compared with 2023 (a) whether the Ministry can elaborate on the effectiveness of existing deterrent measures; and (b) what factors have contributed to the rise in speeding violations despite current enforcement efforts.
  3. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development whether the standardised assessment and screening tools developed to enable frontline social service professionals to better identify and detect family violence cases include the detection of (i) emotional and psychological abuse and (ii) emotional neglect cases.
  4. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what is the average waiting time for a child to secure a place in a Special Student Care Centre (SSCC) that provides before and after school care services for children with special needs; and (b) whether the Ministry can provide an update on the plan to set up more SSCCs.
  5. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development whether the Ministry can provide more funding for the Development Support-Plus (DS-Plus) programme that supports children who require low levels of early intervention support.
  6. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what are the percentage increases in prices in the past five years for tests for (i) chlamydia and gonorrhoea polymerase chain reaction (PCR) (ii) hepatitis A, B and C (iii) syphilis and (iv) human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) at public healthcare clinics and institutions; (b) whether there are plans to increase prices further; and (c) what are the considerations in setting prices of sexual health tests.
  7. **Ms See Jinli Jean:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) since 2021, how many migrant workers (MWs) have been retrenched and from which sectors; (b) of these, how many have been given a retrenchment benefit or an ex-gratia payment; and (c) how does the Ministry ensure that companies apply the responsible retrenchment practices as outlined under the Tripartite Advisory for Managing Excess Manpower and Responsible Retrenchment to affected MWs.
  8. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) since the pilot by SMRT Taxis to provide child booster seats five years ago, whether there are plans to require taxis to provide child car seats; and (b) if not, why not.
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