

PRESS RELEASE

PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

NOMINATED MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

1 The Special Select Committee had invited the general public and functional groups to submit names of persons for its consideration for appointment as Nominated Members of Parliament (NMPs) on 8 October 2025. Submissions closed on 6 November 2025 at 4.30 pm. A total of 57 proposal forms were received by that time. The Committee considered all eligible candidates in its assessment of suitable candidates for appointment as NMPs.

2 At the conclusion of its deliberations, the Special Select Committee nominated the following nine persons (in alphabetical order) to the President to fill the NMP vacancies:

- (1) Mr Azhar Bin Othman
- (2) Associate Professor Goh Toh Chuan, Kenneth
- (3) Dr Hareesh S/O Singaraju
- (4) Associate Professor Terence Ho Wai Luen
- (5) Ms Kuah Boon Theng SC
- (6) Mr Mark Lee Kean Phi
- (7) Dr Neo Kok Beng
- (8) Professor Kenneth Poon Kin Loong
- (9) Mr Sanjeev Kumar Tiwari

3 The [Report](#) of the Special Select Committee [Parl. 2 of 2026] is attached.

4 Mr Seah Kian Peng, Speaker of Parliament and the Chairman of the Committee said, “The Committee received applications from a strong pool of candidates. Having to determine the maximum of nine NMPs to nominate is challenging and we deliberated very carefully on all the candidates. We are satisfied that these nine nominees meet the Constitutional requirements, demonstrated by their distinguished contributions to society and in their respective fields. We are confident they will strengthen and add value to parliamentary debates through their varied backgrounds and experiences, diverse perspectives, and commitment to serving Singapore and Singaporeans.”.

5 Ms Indranee Rajah, Leader of the House and a member of the Committee said, “We welcome the new cohort of nine NMPs to the 15th Parliament. They have made notable contributions in work, community and society, and excelled in their respective fields. I am confident that their diverse expertise and experience will enrich the discussions in Parliament as we chart Singapore’s path forward in an uncertain and disrupted world. It was a challenging task to select from the pool of many highly qualified candidates who applied. We wish to thank

and express our appreciation to all applicants for the NMP position and are greatly encouraged by their interest to serve.”.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

The President will be presenting the Instruments of Appointment to the NMPs at the Istana on Thursday, 8 January 2026. The NMPs will take their oaths and affirmations at the next sitting of Parliament in January 2026.