

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

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
FRIDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2026**

No. 21

10.00 am

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PRESENT:

Mr SPEAKER [Mr Seah Kian Peng (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)]
Mr ABDUL MUHAIMIN ABDUL MALIK (Sengkang)
Mr ANG WEI NENG (West Coast-Jurong West)
Mr AZHAR OTHMAN (Nominated Member)
Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Transport
Mr CAI YINZHOU (Bishan-Toa Payoh)
Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Coordinating Minister for Public Services and Minister for Defence
Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for National Development
Dr CHARLENE CHEN (Tampines)
Ms ELYSA CHEN (Bishan-Toa Payoh)
Mr EDWARD CHIA BING HUI (Holland-Bukit Timah)
Ms EILEEN CHONG PEI SHAN (Non-Constituency Member)
Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines Changkat), Minister of State, Ministry of Defence
Dr CHOO PEI LING (Chua Chu Kang)
Mr ERIC CHUA (Queenstown), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Law and Ministry of Social and Family Development
Mr CHUA KHENG WEE LOUIS (Sengkang)
Mr DARRYL DAVID (Ang Mo Kio)
Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah), Deputy Speaker
Mr DINESH VASU DASH (East Coast), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Manpower
Mr FADLI FAWZI (Aljunied)
Mr FOO CEXIANG (Tanjong Pagar)
Ms GRACE FU HAI YIEN (Jurong East-Bukit Batok), Minister for Sustainability and the Environment and Minister-in-charge of Trade Relations
Mr GAN KIM YONG (Punggol), Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry
Ms GAN SIOW HUANG (Marymount), Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Trade and Industry
Ms GHO SZE KEE (Mountbatten)
Mr GERALD GIAM YEAN SONG (Aljunied)
Ms GOH HANYAN (Nee Soon), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment
Mr GOH PEI MING (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights), Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Social and Family Development
Assoc Prof KENNETH GOH (Nominated Member)
Dr HAMID RAZAK (West Coast-Jurong West)
Dr HARESH SINGARAJU (Nominated Member)
Ms HAZLINA ABDUL HALIM (East Coast)

Ms HE TING RU (Sengkang)
Assoc Prof TERENCE HO (Nominated Member)
Mr SHAWN HUANG WEI ZHONG (West Coast-Jurong West), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Manpower
Ms INDRANEE RAJAH (Pasir Ris-Changi), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Finance, Second Minister for National Development and Leader of the House
Dr JANIL PUTHUCHEARY (Punggol), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment and Government Whip
Dr KOH POH KOON (Tampines), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Manpower
Ms KUAH BOON THENG (Nominated Member)
Mr KWEK HIAN CHUAN HENRY (Kebun Baru)
Mr GABRIEL LAM (Sembawang)
Mr JACKSON LAM (Nee Soon)
Ms JASMIN LAU (Ang Mo Kio), Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Education
Ms CASSANDRA LEE (West Coast-Jurong West)
Mr DESMOND LEE (West Coast-Jurong West), Minister for Education and Minister-in-charge of Social Services Integration
Mr MARK LEE (Nominated Member)
Mr LEE HONG CHUANG (Jurong East-Bukit Batok)
Mr LEE HSIEN LOONG (Ang Mo Kio), Senior Minister
Ms LEE HUI YING (Nee Soon)
Ms VALERIE LEE (Pasir Ris-Changi)
Mr LIANG ENG HWA (Bukit Panjang)
Assoc Prof JAMUS JEROME LIM (Sengkang)
Ms SYLVIA LIM (Aljunied)
Mr SHAWN LOH (Jalan Besar)
Ms LOW YEN LING (Bukit Gombak), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry
Mr LOW WU YANG ANDRE (Non-Constituency Member)
Mr VICTOR LYE (Ang Mo Kio)
Ms MARIAM JAAFAR (Sembawang)
Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Minister for Social and Family Development
Assoc Prof Dr MUHAMMAD FAISHAL IBRAHIM (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights), Acting Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs
Mr MURALI PILLAI (Jurong East-Bukit Batok), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law and Ministry of Transport
Ms NADIA AHMAD SAMDIN (Ang Mo Kio)
Dr NEO KOK BENG (Nominated Member)
Mr DAVID NEO (Tampines), Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Education
Mr NG CHEE MENG (Jalan Kayu)
Mr NG SHI XUAN (Sembawang)
Miss RACHEL ONG (Tanjong Pagar)
Mr ONG YE KUNG (Sembawang), Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health
Ms DIANA PANG LI YEN (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)
Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar)

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Jalan Besar)
Ms POH LI SAN (Sembawang West)
Prof KENNETH POON (Nominated Member)
Mr PRITAM SINGH (Aljunied)
Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong East-Bukit Batok), Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Health
Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh)
Mr SANJEEV KUMAR TIWARI (Nominated Member)
Mr K SHANMUGAM (Nee Soon), Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs
Mr SHARAEEL TAHA (Pasir Ris-Changi)
Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Home Affairs and Deputy Government Whip
Mr JEFFREY SLOW (Chua Chu Kang), Acting Minister for Transport and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Finance
Ms HANY SOH (Marsiling-Yew Tee)
Ms SUN XUELING (Punggol), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of National Development and Ministry of Transport
Dr SYED HARUN ALHABSYI (Nee Soon), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Ministry of National Development
Mr ALVIN TAN (Tanjong Pagar), Minister of State, Ministry of National Development and Ministry of Trade and Industry
Mr DENNIS TAN LIP FONG (Hougang)
Mr DESMOND TAN (Pasir Ris-Changi), Senior Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office
Mr TAN KIAT HOW (East Coast), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Health
Dr TAN SEE LENG (Chua Chu Kang), Minister for Manpower
Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast)
Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Pioneer)
Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Jalan Besar), Minister for Digital Development and Information
Ms TIN PEI LING (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)
Mr KENNETH TIONG BOON KIAT (Aljunied)
Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (East Coast), Minister for Law and Second Minister for Home Affairs
Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang)
Dr VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Minister for Foreign Affairs
Dr WAN RIZAL (Jalan Besar)
Mr LAWRENCE WONG (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Prime Minister and Minister for Finance
Mr XIE YAO QUAN (Jurong Central), Deputy Speaker
Mr ALEX YAM ZIMING (Marsiling-Yew Tee)
Mr ALEX YEO (Potong Pasir)
Ms YEO WAN LING (Punggol)
Mr YIP HON WENG (Yio Chu Kang)
Mr MELVIN YONG YIK CHYE (Radin Mas)
Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment and Deputy Leader of the House
Mr ZHULKARNAIN ABDUL RAHIM (Chua Chu Kang), Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Social and Family Development

ABSENT:

Mr DAVID HOE (Jurong East-Bukit Batok).

- 1 Papers presented to Parliament and received by the Clerk of Parliament pursuant to Standing Order No. 31 (Presentation of Papers) and ordered to lie upon the Table:
 - 1.1 2025 Revised Edition of Subsidiary Legislation (vide Revised Subsidiary Legislation published on 30 May 2025) – Presented on 27 February 2026 (S. L. 286 of 2026)
 - 1.2 2025 Revised Edition of Subsidiary Legislation (vide Revised Subsidiary Legislation published on 16 December 2025) – Presented on 27 February 2026 (S. L. 287 of 2026)
- 2 6 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 3 Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026 (Paper Cmd. 5 of 2026) – Committee of Supply (Allotted Day) – Supply considered in the Committee:

(In the Committee)

Supplementary Main Estimates of Expenditure
for FY2025/2026

The sums stated for the Heads stated below agreed to stand part of the Supplementary Main Estimates.

<i>Head</i>	<i>\$</i>
E Judicature	16,486,700
L Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment	66,598,800
P Ministry of Home Affairs	472,103,300
S Ministry of Manpower	346,483,200
V Ministry of Trade and Industry	26,336,400
W Ministry of Transport	131,183,600
Z Financial Transfers	28,163,800

Resolved, "That the sum of \$1,087,355,800 shall be supplied to the Government under the Heads of Expenditure for the public services shown in the Supplementary Main Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026, contained in Paper Cmd. 5 of 2026."

Resolution to be reported.

Supplementary Development Estimates of Expenditure
for FY2025/2026

The sums stated for the Heads stated below agreed to stand part of the Supplementary Development Estimates.

<i>Head</i>	<i>\$</i>
B Attorney-General's Chambers	364,800
I Ministry of Social and Family Development	31,226,800
L Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment	16,361,800
Q Ministry of Digital Development and Information	44,183,300
S Ministry of Manpower	22,275,000
T Ministry of National Development	909,322,000
W Ministry of Transport	1,137,286,200

Resolved, "That the sum of \$2,161,019,900 shall be supplied to the Government under the Heads of Expenditure for the public services shown in the Supplementary Development Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026, contained in Paper Cmd. 5 of 2026."

Resolution to be reported.

Resolutions reported and agreed to.

- 4 Estimates for the financial year 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027 (Paper Cmd. 4 of 2026) – Committee of Supply (2nd Allotted Day) – Supply considered in the Committee:

(In the Committee)

Head F – Parliament –

Amendment proposed, "That the total sum to be allocated for Head F of the Estimates be reduced by \$100." – (Ms He Ting Ru).

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The sum of \$50,739,900 for Head F agreed to stand part of the Main Estimates.

The sum of \$12,792,700 for Head F agreed to stand part of the Development Estimates.

Head N – Ministry of Foreign Affairs –

Amendment proposed, "That the total sum to be allocated for Head N of the Estimates be reduced by \$100." – (Mr Yip Hon Weng).

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The sum of \$614,402,500 for Head N agreed to stand part of the Main Estimates.

The sum of \$46,700,000 for Head N agreed to stand part of the Development Estimates.

Head J – Ministry of Defence –

Amendment proposed, "That the total sum to be allocated for Head J of the Estimates be reduced by \$100." – (Mr Yip Hon Weng).

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The sum of \$23,343,497,600 for Head J agreed to stand part of the Main Estimates.

The sum of \$2,454,719,600 for Head J agreed to stand part of the Development Estimates.

Head P – Ministry of Home Affairs –

Amendment proposed, "That the total sum to be allocated for Head P of the Estimates be reduced by \$100." – (Mr Vikram Nair).

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The sum of \$9,242,695,600 for Head P agreed to stand part of the Main Estimates.

The sum of \$2,672,087,400 for Head P agreed to stand part of the Development Estimates.

Head R – Ministry of Law –

Amendment proposed, "That the total sum to be allocated for Head R of the Estimates be reduced by \$100." – (Mr Vikram Nair); Debate arising.

5 Extension of Sitting – Pursuant to Standing Order No 91(3)(d), Mr Deputy Speaker extended the sitting beyond the time specified for the Committee of Supply for a period of up to 30 minutes.

6 Estimates for the financial year 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027 (Paper Cmd. 4 of 2026) – Consideration in the Committee of Supply resumed.

Head R – Ministry of Law –

Debate resumed on Question, "That the total sum to be allocated for Head R of the Estimates be reduced by \$100." – (Mr Vikram Nair); Debate arising.

With the consent of Mr Deputy Speaker, Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That progress be reported now and leave be asked to sit on Monday, 2 March 2026." – (Senior Parliamentary Secretary (Mr Eric Chua), Ministry of Law).

Progress reported – (Senior Parliamentary Secretary (Mr Eric Chua), Ministry of Law).

Committee to sit on Monday, 2 March 2026.

- 7 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn to Monday, 2 March 2026."

Adjourned at 8.37 pm

SEAH KIAN PENG,
Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Mr Speaker will take the Chair again at 10.00 am on Monday, 2 March 2026.
