

ORDER PAPER

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER*

- *1. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the wage growth is moving in tandem with productivity gains; (b) whether the sectoral wage growth is commensurate with sectoral productivity gains; (c) which sectors are productivity laggards; and (d) whether the targeted help provided has led to productivity and wage gains.
- *2. **Mr Alex Yam Ziming:** To ask the Minister for National Development with the conclusion of public consultation on short-term home rentals (a) what are the main feedback and concerns provided by the public during the consultation exercise; (b) when will new regulations be presented to Parliament for debate; (c) how many illegal rentals have there been so far; and (d) how does the Ministry intend to police the current short-term rental websites before the laws are put in place.
- *3. **Er Dr Lee Bee Wah:** To ask the Minister for National Development in light of concerns from some condominium owners on the further relaxation on short-term leases (a) whether the Ministry will consider getting 100% approval from current property owners in each condominium before short-term lease like Airbnb can be allowed; (b) whether the potential impact of short-term leases on the hospitality industry has been considered; and (c) how is the Ministry dealing with illegal leasing of property currently listed on websites like Airbnb.
- *4. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) how many Airbnb cases have been reported in HDB units and private residential units respectively in the past three years; and (b) what is the typical time frame for investigation to complete after a case has been reported.

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- *5. **Assoc Prof Daniel Goh Pei Siong:** To ask the Minister for Education how many young people leave the education system after their PSLE and the 'N' and 'O' Level attainment each year in the past three years and whether the Ministry is tracking their employment and continuing education and training prospects.
- *6. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for National Development what are the anticipated changes in timeline and planning for the Jurong Lake District should there be major delays, route alterations or cancellation of the High-Speed Rail project.
- *7. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry whether the Competition and Consumer Commission (CCCS) will consider mandating that companies planning a merger or acquisition that will substantially change the distribution of market share in any industry seek prior approval from the CCCS before the deal is publicly announced to avoid market confusion and disruption to jobs that may arise if a deal needs to be unwound after an announcement is made.
- *8. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for National Development what are the eligibility conditions for divorcees with shared care and control of their children to purchase a subsidised HDB flat.
- *9. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how many ITE students are currently eligible for financial assistance; (b) how many of these eligible students have applied for assistance; and (c) how does ITE publicise the assistance schemes so that eligible students do not miss it.
- *10. **Assoc Prof Daniel Goh Pei Siong:** To ask the Minister for Health whether there is a crunch in the specialised transportation of seniors to care centres and, if so, how is this affecting the placement of seniors in these centres.
- *11. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what are the primary sources of infection for tuberculosis in Singapore; (b) what more can the Ministry do to reduce both active and latent tuberculosis cases; and (c) what plans does the Ministry have to fight against multi-drug resistant tuberculosis.
- *12. **Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what measures have been put in place to reduce the number of roadkill in the Mandai area; (b) whether such measures apply to all areas where there are construction activities near national parks and nature reserves; and (c) when will the hoardings along Mandai Road be completed.

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- *13. **Er Dr Lee Bee Wah:** To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update on whether evening ERP is still required to manage traffic congestion along the CTE.
- *14. **Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) how many self-driving vehicles are currently being test-driven on our public roads; and (b) what safety measures are in place to ensure the safety of pedestrians.
- *15. **Er Dr Lee Bee Wah:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what measures are being taken to keep the cost of food sold at coffee shops affordable; (b) whether the Ministry will consider removing minimum rent in coffee shop tender exercises; and (c) whether e-Bidding in coffee shop tender exercises drives up the rent and subsequently the cost of food sold at coffee shops and, if so, whether there are measures taken to mitigate this.
- *16. **Mr Saktiandi Supaat:** To ask the Minister for Education whether ITE graduates under the age of 25 can be allowed to use their SkillsFuture credits to improve their skills or undertake courses to enhance their employability.
- *17. **Assoc Prof Daniel Goh Pei Siong:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) whether the Ministry tracks the average and median salaries of early childhood educators according to their education attainment; and (b) if so, what are the current average and median salaries of early childhood educators according to their educational attainment and how do these compare to five years ago.
- *18. **Mr Png Eng Huat:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether he can provide an update on the number of HDB blocks that are not given lift upgrading due specifically to the funding cap; and (b) whether HDB will consider polling the residents in these affected blocks to explore the possibility of co-sharing the amount beyond the funding cap to have lift access at their floors.

* Members may postpone their Questions to a later sitting day if their Questions are not reached by the end of Question Time. The postponement forms are available at the Chamber entrances. Members must submit their notices to the Clerk within one hour after the end of Question Time. Questions will be given a written answer if no such notices are received by the Clerk within the stipulated time.

NOTICE OF MOTION

1. **Asst Prof Mahdev Mohan (Nominated Member)**
Ms Kuik Shiao-Yin (Nominated Member)
Mr Ganesh Rajaram (Nominated Member)
Mr Kok Heng Leun (Nominated Member)
Mr Azmoon Ahmad (Nominated Member):

EDUCATION FOR OUR FUTURE: That this House recognises that a love for learning is the foundation of our future, and calls on the Government to partner with the people to ensure accessible, inclusive and lifelong education for all learners.

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS

1. **Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Prime Minister whether the Civil Service pays non-degree holders the same compensation as degree holders for doing the same work, assuming all other factors being equal between the two types of employees.
2. **Er Dr Lee Bee Wah:** To ask the Minister for Law with regard to neighbour disputes concerning cigarette smoke (a) whether mediation can be made compulsory for all involved parties; (b) whether there is any follow-up to ensure respondents continue to adhere to the terms of a settlement; and (c) for those who do not proceed with mediation, how are these disputes typically resolved.
3. **Miss Cheng Li Hui:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what has been the utilisation of the Adapt and Grow suite of programmes; (b) whether the number of professional conversion programmes and sectors involved will be further increased progressively so as to help more workers; and (c) whether the Career Support Programme has been successful in reaching out to older PMETs.

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