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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

- *1. Mr Desmond Choo: To ask the Minister for Health in view of the escalating Wuhan pneumonia situation in the China (a) how susceptible is Singapore; (b) whether there are suspected cases in Singapore; and (c) what are the measures put in place or are being considered in the event the situation worsens.
- *2. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye: To ask the Minister for Health with regard to the Wuhan virus (a) what is the condition of the suspected patients in Singapore so far; (b) whether the Ministry will be issuing an advisory on travel restrictions for Singaporeans travelling to affected cities; and (c) whether a multi-agency taskforce will be formed to look into the containment and management of the virus spread in Singapore.
- ***3. Ms Tin Pei Ling:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) what is Singapore's response to the Wuhan pneumonia outbreak; and (b) what actions are taken to contain the spread to, and among, Singaporeans.
- *4. Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Minister for Health how prepared are the authorities to deal with the outbreak of the novel coronavirus pneumonia in Wuhan and what can citizens do to help support the Ministry's efforts.
- *5. Ms Rahayu Mahzam: To ask the Minister for Health (a) what are the measures in place to prevent the entry and spread of the Wuhan virus in Singapore, aside from the temperature screening at the airport; and (b) whether there is an emergency response plan to handle the possible emergence of a Wuhan virus outbreak in Singapore.
- *6. Mr Liang Eng Hwa: To ask the Minister for Health (a) whether he can provide the latest update on the Wuhan virus situation; (b) what are the stepped-up precautionary measures taken; and (c) how are our contingency preparations and readiness for the possible scenarios ahead.

- *7. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Minister for Health (a) whether the Ministry will consider requiring all private and public hospitals to be equipped and manned to handle severe and multiple trauma cases in their accident and emergency departments as part of our nation's emergency preparedness plan; and (b) whether we have sufficient emergency specialists and how many more will be trained in the next five years.
- ***8.** Assoc Prof Daniel Goh Pei Siong: To ask the Minister for Health in light of the Lucky Plaza accident, whether private hospitals' emergency departments should be upgraded for a tiered national accident and emergency system involving both public and private hospitals to make better use of medical resources.
- ***9. Mr Christopher de Souza:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs whether there is an upward trend of drug syndicates exploiting minors in the drug trade and how can our enforcement actions and statutory framework deter the syndicates from doing so.
- *10. Mr Christopher de Souza: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) what is the Ministry's position on the research paper entitled "Costs of Drug Crime: Literature Review and Methodology" which calculated the detriment drugs cause to Singapore society; (b) whether the findings provide further impetus for Singapore to advance its war on drugs; and (c) what will be done to ensure that a tough and deterrent stance is taken against drug traffickers who push drugs into and within Singapore.
- *11. Assoc Prof Walter Theseira: To ask the Minister for Communications and Information when individuals publicise complaints or petitions to Government agencies which may contain inaccuracies (a) what are the considerations behind whether Government agencies may publicly disclose identifying information and personal details of these individuals; (b) what safeguards exist to ensure that only the minimum personal information is disclosed to establish the facts of the case; and (c) what can be done to ensure that individuals with genuine grievances or unmet needs are not deterred from seeking help publicly.
- *12. Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources (a) by what date will the Ministry collect carbon tax payments for 2019 emissions; (b) by what date does the Ministry plan to publish the total amount of carbon tax payments collected for 2019 emissions; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider releasing a breakdown of revenue collected from each taxable facility when the data is available.

- *13. Ms Joan Pereira: To ask the Minister for Health (a) over the last three years, what have been the take-up rates of adult vaccinations recommended by the Ministry; and (b) how is the Ministry helping to raise awareness of adult vaccination, especially for those in the high-risk groups, such as the elderly and those with medical conditions.
- *14. Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang: To ask the Minister for Health (a) what are the latest findings in the Ministry's study on creating guidelines to help doctors determine the disability duration for specific injuries when issuing medical leave and light duties to injured workers; and (b) by what date does the Ministry expect to publish the results of this study.
- *15. Er Dr Lee Bee Wah: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) what rehabilitation measures are young sex offenders subject to in their time in prison or probation to prevent recidivism; (b) whether studies are being done on the mindset of local sex offenders, be they for crimes with or without physical contact with victims, to improve the necessary corrective actions; and (c) whether there are plans to work with universities and schools to conduct outreach and introduce relevant material into the curriculum.
- *16. Assoc Prof Walter Theseira: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) in the last five years, how many retired Singapore permanent residents applied for renewal of re-entry permits; (b) what proportion of these had their applications rejected; (c) how does this proportion compare with that of the previous five years; and (d) what are the considerations in deciding whether to approve such an application.
- *17. Miss Cheryl Chan Wei Ling: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) what is the frequency of SCDF audits on the functionality of fire hose points in condominiums; and (b) in respect of inspection and testing conducted by a third party for the condominium, what liabilities do the condominium's MCST and managing agent bear should the points be found non-functional during emergencies.
- ***18. Mr Lim Biow Chuan:** To ask the Minister for Law what is the rationale for the new pre-court action protocol for business-to-business debt claims and whether the Government has consulted businesses prior to introducing the new court protocol.
- *19. Mr Leon Perera: To ask the Minister for Manpower to what extent do persons who are employed and become new citizens in each year affect the determination of the citizen unemployment rate.

- *20. Er Dr Lee Bee Wah: To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry can review the policy concerning medical certificates issued by Ministry-approved TCM physicians and mandate its acceptance for medical leave claims across the board.
- *21. Assoc Prof Daniel Goh Pei Siong: To ask the Minister for Manpower whether there has been a spike in workplace fatalities and injuries in the past year and whether the Total Workplace Safety and Health approach is failing.
- *22. Mr Leon Perera: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether a Government survey including employee respondents has been conducted on perceptions of discriminatory hiring and other HR practices, as a follow-up to past surveys focusing on employer respondents; and (b) if so, when will the findings be made public.
- *23. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for National Development for areas within public housing estates or town centres where carparks are exclusively or predominantly in the form of multi-storey carparks (MSCPs), whether HDB can conduct a review to assess the adequacy of parking lots for delivery trucks which cannot access MSCPs due to height limitations, with the view to increasing the number of parking lots for such trucks so that their drivers can park their trucks legally while doing their deliveries.
- *24. Ms Joan Pereira: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether he can provide an update on the measures taken to make it safer for HDB residents to dry their laundry in view of our ageing population and strong winds and to protect passers-by from falling laundry poles; and (b) whether there are progressive changes to the design of these laundry pole holders to make them safer.
- *25. Mr Yee Chia Hsing: To ask the Minister for National Development whether there are measures to ensure that foreign registered cars pay their outstanding HDB and URA parking fines before entry into, or exit out of, Singapore.
- *26. Mr Chong Kee Hiong: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) how does the Ministry ensure that ageing private estates and commercial buildings are properly maintained as to their structure, fire safety, electricity and water supplies, refuse disposal and pest control, for the well-being of occupants and visitors; (b) what are the measures to deal with recalcitrant owners or managing agents; and (c) whether the Ministry will implement a rating framework for private estates similar to that for town councils to ensure that the quality of private estate management matches that of public estates.

- *27. Mr Png Eng Huat: To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development for the past five years, what is the amount of grant and subsidies given to PAP Community Foundation for the set-up and operation of its childcare centres and kindergartens.
- *28. Mr Leon Perera: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources (a) what are the reasons for the discoloured tap water in the Basic Military Training Camp (BMTC) on Pulau Tekong on 20 November 2019; and (b) what measures are being taken to reduce the risk of such incidents in future.
- *29. Mr Seah Kian Peng: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources how have the recent fires in Australia affected Singapore's environment and food security.
- ***30.** Dr Chia Shi-Lu: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources for the past three years, what has been the number of recorded offences for (i) smoking in the common corridors and void decks of HDB flats and (ii) high-rise littering from HDB flats related to cigarette butts and cigarette ash respectively.
- ***31.** Assoc Prof Daniel Goh Pei Siong: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources what action can be taken against Singaporeans involved in dumping toxic, plastics or other wastes in neighbouring countries.
- *32. Mr Ong Teng Koon: To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth with the demolition of the Kallang Squash Centre (a) whether Singapore will have a venue capable of hosting international squash tournaments and elite level training for squash players; (b) what are the plans to provide an alternative venue; (c) whether there are plans to include squash facilities for the Kallang Alive project; (d) whether squash has the potential to be an important contributor to Singapore's sporting success at international tournaments; and (e) whether there is a decline in the number of public squash facilities since the 1990s and, if so, whether there are plans to reverse this decline.
- ***33.** Mr Seah Kian Peng: To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry in the last three years (a) what is the annual number of Singaporeans travelling overseas and whether the trend is likely to increase; (b) what is the average number of days spent overseas by Singaporeans; and (c) what is the annual number of tourist arrivals to Singapore and what is their average stay.

- ***34. Mr Desmond Choo:** To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry in view of China's economic growth at its lowest in 30 years (a) what is the near-term impact on Singapore's economy and jobs situation; (b) how will it alter Singapore's investment in China and Singapore's participation in the Belt and Road Initiative; and (c) what are the future measures to diversify our economic exposure.
- *35. Assoc Prof Walter Theseira: To ask the Minister for Transport (a) what are the studies, projections, or cost-benefit analyses that supported development of the \$4.7 million SecureMyBike project at Admiralty MRT that has been discontinued due to lack of demand; and (b) how does the Ministry plan to ensure future walk, cycle and ride (WCR) infrastructure improvements are cost effective.
- ***36.** Mr Liang Eng Hwa: To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry will consider installing noise barriers along the stretch of Kranji Expressway (KJE) running adjacent to the residential units along Segar Estate and Blossom Residences; and (b) what is the estimated cost of installing such noise barriers on a per metre basis.
- *37. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether any investigation has been carried out in respect of the piracy incidents in the Singapore Strait in and after December 2019; (b) whether the Government has identified the persons or groups responsible for the reported incidents and where they originate from; (c) what action has been taken by any of our government agencies to date; and (d) what are the Government's plans to prevent similar acts of piracy.
- ***38.** Mr Desmond Choo: To ask the Prime Minister in light of the recent personal data breach involving the Ministry of Defence, how is the Ministry working with government agencies to ensure that their third party contractors adopt high standards of cybersecurity and that cybersecurity competency is an essential criterion for awarding of Government contracts.
- ***39. Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Prime Minister (a) whether the Government plans to include climate risk, particularly climate change-related risk, in MAS' annual industry-wide stress test (IWST), in line with what the Bank of England is doing and what the International Monetary Fund (IMF) recommends for central banks; and (b) if not, why the Government is choosing not to do so.

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- *40. Mr Christopher de Souza: To ask the Minister for Defence (a) what new tactics have been designed by those responsible for the rise in actual and attempted piracy and robbery cases in the Singapore Strait and its surrounding waters; (b) what measures can be deployed to deter and eliminate such threats; and (c) how will the revised Standard Operating Procedures signed at the 14th Malacca Straits Patrol Joint Coordinating Committee Meeting address the rise in the number of piracy and robbery cases in the straits of Malacca and Singapore.
- *41. Mr Saktiandi Supaat: To ask the Minister for Education given rising conflicts and economic instability around the world (a) how does this impact the Global Education Programme; and (b) what is being done to ensure students' safety and continued access to regional exposure as well as work and study opportunities.
- *42. Miss Cheng Li Hui: To ask the Minister for Education with regard to school absenteeism (a) what are the standard operating procedures when students fail to report at their secondary schools; (b) what is the minimum period of absenteeism before these procedures are activated; (c) what is the number of absenteeism dealt with by secondary schools over the last 10 years; and (d) how successful are the schools in reducing absenteeism and whether further intervention is necessary.
- *43. Ms Anthea Ong: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) whether he can provide an update on the Rohingya crisis as discussed at the recent ASEAN and UN meetings; and (b) whether ASEAN (i) intends to support Myanmar in implementing the recommendations of the Rakhine Advisory Commission and, if yes, what is the target timeline (ii) is confident that there will be continued support of Bangladesh and necessary funding for the refugees at Cox's Bazar whilst repatriation options are being negotiated and (iii) has considered and agreed on a "Plan B" for the Rohingya people should the repatriation negotiations not work out.
- *44. Dr Chia Shi-Lu: To ask the Minister for Health considering that most Singaporeans who seek treatment at polyclinics choose those nearest their homes, whether the Ministry will consider standardising or minimising the differences in charges for consultations, procedures and medications to ensure pricing equality for all patients living in different regions.
- *45. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye: To ask the Minister for Health (a) over the last 10 years, how many cases of physical and verbal abuse against nurses have been reported annually; (b) how many offenders have been taken to task over such offences; and (c) whether the Ministry has any plan for a sustained public education campaign to stop cases of abuse against nurses.

- *46. Er Dr Lee Bee Wah: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) in the last three years, how many complaints has the Traffic Police received about noisy vehicles; (b) how many of these pertain to Nee Soon South; (c) whether there are adequate speed cameras installed in the areas; and (d) whether the Traffic Police will step up enforcement along Yishun Avenue 1 and Yishun Street 51 especially on Friday and Saturday nights.
- *47. Ms Rahayu Mahzam: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) out of the 672 social media impersonation scam cases reported to have occurred in the first 11 months of 2019, how many of the impersonators have been prosecuted so far; (b) what is the average time taken to solve each case; (c) what are the measures that the Anti-Scam Centre has put in place to address the rise in cases; and (d) whether the Anti-Scam Centre will be looking to coordinate anti-scam measures with social media companies.
- *48. Prof Fatimah Lateef: To ask the Minister for Law whether there will be a review of the standard clause in all public sector and public service contracts to appoint the Singapore Mediation Centre as the sole mediation agency, to align with the evolution of more mediation agencies providing mediation services in Singapore.
- *49. Miss Cheng Li Hui: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources in light of the case of a cremation mix up (a) whether it timely for the Ministry to conduct a review of the industry's practices and standard operating procedures; (b) what are the preventive measures put in place by NEA following the incident; (c) whether NEA intends to play a bigger role in regulating funeral companies, in particular working with the Association of Funeral Directors Singapore; and (d) how often does NEA inspect and conduct checks on Government after-death facilities to ensure compliance to regulation.
- ***50. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources whether the Government has any plans to reduce greenhouse emissions from our oil refining industry and, if so, what are these plans.
- *51. Miss Cheryl Chan Wei Ling: To ask the Prime Minister (a) what is the current financial literacy of adults in Singapore and what has been the trend in the past decade; (b) what has been done to increase financial literacy; and (c) whether a national framework is in place to measure the impact of digital finance on businesses and individuals.

- ***52.** Dr Chia Shi-Lu: To ask the Prime Minister (a) why elderly pensioners utilising their Civil Service Cards to fulfil prescriptions issued by community hospitals have to pay for these medications whereas general hospitals' prescriptions can be filled for free; (b) whether patients are informed of this discrepancy when they are transferred from general hospitals to community hospitals; and (c) whether the Ministry will consider extending this medication benefit for pensioners discharged from community hospitals.
- ***53.** Mr Chong Kee Hiong: To ask the Minister for Health (a) what is the influenza vaccination rate for children under the age of 16; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider providing free flu vaccines to all Singaporean children.
- ***54. Mr Ong Teng Koon:** To ask the Minister for Health whether the Ministry can offer patients who receive mental health treatment more protection against discrimination by their employers by giving patients the option not to disclose the treatment received and the medicine prescribed in their medical bills that are used for reimbursement purposes.
- ***55. Ms Rahayu Mahzam:** To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) over the past three years, how many drivers have been caught and penalised for not securing loads properly on lorries and trucks; (b) how many accidents have there been involving loads falling off such vehicles and injuring road users; and (c) whether there is a need for stronger measures to ensure that drivers secure loads properly to their vehicles.
- ***56.** Mr Png Eng Huat: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources in light of Malaysia's plan to reduce Johor's dependency on treated water supply from Singapore by 2022, what will be the projected impact on the price of treated water for local consumption after 2022.
- *57. Mr Seah Kian Peng: To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether he can outline the criteria for admission of foreign students to our public education institutions (primary, secondary, polytechnics, junior colleges and tertiary institutions); (b) whether there are specific caps on the numbers of foreign students in these institutions; and (c) how are the fees charged for foreign students vis-á-vis that for local students.

***58. Ms Anthea Ong:** To ask the Minister for Education in the last three years (a) how many students (i) attempted suicide (ii) died by suicide or (iii) suffered from self-harm; (b) how many of these students were (i) seeing school counsellors (ii) referred to mental healthcare professionals, broken down into the types of services and institutions and (iii) from the elite schools versus neighbourhood schools; (c) what is the protocol given to (i) students (ii) teachers (iii) school administrators and (iv) counsellors when they learn from a student who shares his suicidal ideations or self-harm behaviour; (d) how does the Ministry balance between safeguarding confidentiality and involving the student's family; and (e) what is the protocol for post-suicide intervention, including for family.

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS

1. Minister for Health:

2. Minister for National Development:

Whole-of-Government Response to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV).

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Introduction of Government Bills

1. Minister for Culture, Community and Youth:

Hindu Endowments (Amendment) Bill.

2. Minister for Trade and Industry:

Economic Expansion Incentives (Relief from Income Tax) (Amendment) Bill.

(President's recommendation signified).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. Geographical Indications (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 4/2020] (Minister for Law) Second Reading.
- 2. National Environment Agency (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 7/2020] (Minister for the Environment and Water Resources) Second Reading.
- 3. Hazardous Waste (Control of Export, Import and Transit) (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 6/2020] (Minister for the Environment and Water Resources) Second Reading.
- 4. Singapore Convention on Mediation Bill [Bill No. 5/2020] (Minister for Law) Second Reading.
- 5. Active Mobility (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 3/2020] (Minister for Transport) – Second Reading.
- 6. Shared Mobility Enterprises (Control and Licensing) Bill [Bill No. 2/2020] (Minister for Transport) Second Reading.

MEMORANDUM

Matter proposed to be raised on the Motion for the Adjournment (SO 2(8)(b)).

Prof Lim Sun Sun	:	Why Fear the Fear of Failure? – Imperatives
(Nominated Member)		for Refining our Education System.

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

- 1. **Ms Joan Pereira:** To ask the Prime Minister whether there have been cases of data breach in Government agencies where suppliers and subcontractors engaged by third party vendors are involved and, if so, how does the Government ensure that such parties are vetted and accredited to ensure that they are qualified to provide the required services and put in place the needed cyber security safeguards for our systems.
- 2. Ms Joan Pereira: To ask the Minister for Transport (a) in the past year, how many vehicle fires have occurred in housing estates; and (b) how can vehicle owners be better prepared to spot danger signs from their vehicles so that they can take quick remedial action.

- **3. Mr Desmond Choo:** To ask the Minister for Transport (a) over the last three years, what is the number of piracy cases along the Singapore Strait; and (b) what are the measures taken to protect merchant ships using the Singapore Strait.
- 4. **Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong:** To ask the Minister for Transport what is the annual number of piracy incidents in the Singapore Strait between 2015-2019.
- 5. Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Minister for Transport what are the respective numbers of train and bus trips that Singaporean senior citizens between the ages of 60-65, 65-70, 70-75, 75-80 and 80-90 undertake on a yearly basis from 2015.
- 6. Miss Cheng Li Hui: To ask the Minister for Defence (a) how does the Ministry manage the demand and supply of meals for active and reservist servicemen in military camps; (b) how does the Ministry keep track of the amount of food waste in military camps across Singapore; (c) what is the amount of food waste across military camps per year and the plans to recycle food waste; and (d) how is the Ministry working with the camp food caterer to manage and reduce the amount of food waste in military camps.
- 7. Mr Ong Teng Koon: To ask the Minister for Defence whether the Ministry can mandate (i) regular interviews for NSF officers with their commanding officers to identify and support those who require assistance including mental health concerns and (ii) the setting up of channels where NSF officers can give feedback about suspected mental health concerns or unusual behaviour of their peers.
- 8. Mr Christopher de Souza: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs (a) whether he can provide an update on the ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Retreat with regard to recent developments in the Rakhine State, in particular where repatriation efforts are concerned and whether from ASEAN's viewpoint, enough has been done to ensure that those who return will not face the same threats to their safety as when they first left; and (b) whether there is a long-term solution for the situation.
- 9. Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) for each year in the past five years, how many drivers have been caught for not properly securing passengers who are below 1.35 metres in height with an approved child restraint; (b) how does the Ministry plan to raise awareness about the legal requirement and safety benefits of using child car seats and booster seats; and (c) whether the Ministry intends to strengthen legislation on the requirement to use such seats.

- Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) in the last five years, what is the number of traffic accidents caused by lane splitting;
 (b) what is the ratio of foreign and local motorcyclists involved in such accidents;
 (c) what is the total number of injuries and fatalities respectively; and
 (d) whether Traffic Police has any plan to raise road safety awareness pertaining to the dangers of lane splitting.
- 11. Ms Sylvia Lim: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) how many persons have been charged in court with offences under the Terrorism (Suppression of Financing) Act; (b) of the persons so charged, how many and what proportion are Singaporeans; and (c) what is the range of the amounts allegedly collected or provided by the accused persons in support of terrorism-related activities.
- 12. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (a) in the past five years, what is the number of traffic accidents involving bicycles and electric bicycles respectively; (b) what enforcement efforts have been carried out so far and what actions have been taken against errant cyclists; and (c) how can Traffic Police better educate cyclists on safe riding.
- 13. Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs how many cyclists have been booked for riding on roads without helmets since new regulations requiring cyclists to use helmets when riding on roads took effect from 1 February 2019.
- 14. Mr Sitoh Yih Pin: To ask the Minister for Law (a) what is the annual number of mediations conducted under the auspices of the Singapore Mediation Centre from 2017 to 2019; (b) of these, what is the recorded rate of successful settlements; and (c) whether the Ministry has plans to encourage more commercial legal disputes to be resolved through mediation.
- **15.** Assoc Prof Daniel Goh Pei Siong: To ask the Minister for Law whether the Ministry can consider prohibiting the dissemination of photos and videos of victims of accidents and crimes through electronic means.
- 16. Ms Anthea Ong: To ask the Minister for Health in the last three years (a) what is the breakdown of claims under MediShield Life for psychiatric treatment in terms of (i) claims lodged and (ii) amount disbursed; (b) how many patients maxed out the claim cap, broken down by (i) cap per day (\$100) and (ii) cap per year (35 days); and (c) how many patients are unable to tap on MediShield Life due to the exclusion criterion of "treatment of injuries resulting from attempted suicide".

- 17. Ms Anthea Ong: To ask the Minister for Health in the last three years (a) what is the breakdown of MediSave withdrawals for inpatient psychiatric treatment and outpatient care respectively, in terms of (i) applications made and (ii) amounts withdrawn; (b) how many patients have reached the withdrawal limits, broken down by (i) cap of \$150 per day (ii) cap of \$5,000 per year for inpatient care and (iii) cap of \$500 per year for outpatient care under the MediSave500 scheme; and (c) how are the mental health conditions included in the Chronic Disease Management Programme determined.
- 18. Ms Yip Pin Xiu: To ask the Minister for Health in FY2017 and FY2018 (a) what is the Government expenditure on formal long-term care services, broken down by (i) nursing homes including inpatient hospices (ii) day care centres and (iii) formal homecare services; (b) how many people used (i) nursing home services (ii) day centre services and (iii) formal homecare services during these years; and (c) of these, how many were aged 60 and above.
- **19. Dr Chia Shi-Lu:** To ask the Minister for Health for the past three years, what has the been the number of retail establishments that have been charged with selling cigarettes to customers below the legal age and what are the grounds for successful appeals against such offences.
- 20. Mr Desmond Choo: To ask the Minister for Health (a) over the last 10 years, what is the smoking rate amongst young Singaporeans; (b) what are the factors causing Singaporeans to pick up smoking; (c) what is the average age in picking up smoking; and (d) what are the measures planned to further curb smoking amongst young Singaporeans.
- **21. Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for Communications and Information whether he can provide an update on the work of the advisory council set up in 2018 to promote the ethical collection and use of data obtained from persons without their specific knowledge or consent for commercial use.
- **22. Mr Murali Pillai:** To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth whether an update can be provided on the drawdown of the \$200 million Bicentennial Community Fund set up last year to match donations to Institutions of a Public Character (IPCs).

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- 23. Assoc Prof Walter Theseira: To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry (a) for each of the last three years, what is the total value of consumer prepayments for services or products that have been lost due to business failure or inability to discharge contractual obligations, broken down by (i) the motor car industry (ii) the beauty industry (iii) contractors and (iv) any other industries with significant consumer prepayment losses; and (b) whether mandatory escrow can be implemented for higher-risk consumer prepayments to protect consumers against such losses.
- 24. Mr Leon Perera: To ask the Minister for Trade and Industry what has been the result of the Ministry's review of developing different measures of inflation for different key demographic segments of Singaporeans beyond only segments by household income.
- 25. Mr Gan Thiam Poh: To ask the Minister for National Development for the past five years, whether there have been cases of fraudulent divorces committed by existing lessees of HDB flats to circumvent the Minimum Occupation Period or to avoid buyers' stamp duties.
- 26. Mr Ang Wei Neng: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) in the past 10 years, what is the number of HDB's Selective En-bloc Redevelopment Scheme (SERS) projects and the number of dwelling units affected, broken down on an annual basis; and (b) what are the challenges involving SERS projects.
- 27. Assoc Prof Daniel Goh Pei Siong: To ask the Minister for National Development whether the Ministry and SLA will look into findings by NUS Business School researchers that property developers could be exchanging information about Government land sales which had led to imputed losses amounting to hundreds of millions of dollars due to lower winning tender bids.
- 28. Ms Sylvia Lim: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the rationale for HDB, as managing agent for SLA, to issue Temporary Occupation Licences (TOLs) over state land to entities such as the People's Association Citizens Consultative Committees for durations of several years at a time; and (b) what is the rate of fees charged to the People's Association for such TOLs.
- **29. Ms Rahayu Mahzam:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) in the past three years, how many cases of water seepage from the external walls of HDB flats have been reported; (b) of those cases, how many are repeat complaints; and (c) whether HDB works with the town council to help address the water seepage issues.

- **30. Ms Rahayu Mahzam:** To ask the Minister for National Development (a) for the past three years, how many cases of moulding on ceilings or walls of HDB flats have been reported; and (b) what action does HDB take to address these complaints.
- **31. Mr Sitoh Yih Pin:** To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources (a) what has been the popularity and usage of the 10 "reverse" vending machines launched under the Recycle N Save Programme on 31 October 2019; and (b) whether NEA has further plans to expand the Programme beyond the planned 50 machines across Singapore by March 2020.
- **32. Miss Cheng Li Hui:** To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources with regard to the Zero Waste Masterplan (a) whether the Ministry is aware of the number of hawkers and stalls that are providing only disposable utensils for dine-in customers; and (b) whether there are measures or plans to encourage and ensure that these hawkers and stalls introduce reusable utensils for dine-in customers.
- **33. Mr Zainal Sapari:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) how does the Ministry ensure that the gross floor area (GFA) for every school is accurately reflected in the cleaning tender specifications; (b) whether the Ministry consults every school on their cleaning requirements such as the number of classrooms and student population; and (c) whether the Ministry allows for contract variations in their cleaning contracts when there is a discrepancy in the GFA stated in the tender or there is an increase in GFA during the contract period.
- **34. Mr Louis Ng Kok Kwang:** To ask the Minister for Education what new efforts is the Ministry launching to address attitudes of students and educators towards the sexual objectification, harassment and abuse of women in light of serious concerns over voyeurism cases at the institutes of higher learning.
- **35. Mr Leon Perera:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) over the past five years, what has been the trend in terms of time taken for graduates of universities, polytechnics and ITE to secure full-time employment; (b) what has been the trend in the proportion of such graduates taking up intern, contract or part-time positions as their first job after graduation; and (c) what are the causal factors underlying such trends.
- 36. Ms Anthea Ong: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether the Ministry sets quotas for employment agencies of foreign domestic workers to meet in terms of the number of domestic workers placed; (b) if so, whether this quota is applicable to all employment agencies or only those under Advance Placement Scheme; (c) what is the purpose of this quota; (d) how is the quota determined; and (e) what are the consequences of failure to meet the quota.

- 37. Mr Christopher de Souza: To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry will consider expanding exceptions to concessions for levies on foreign domestic workers to help caregivers cope with situations where a disabled family member requires at least two persons to carry out any activities of daily living.
- **38. Mr Melvin Yong Yik Chye:** To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) whether there are any ongoing studies by the Ministry to examine how workplace mental health issues, if left unmitigated, can affect our local workforce; and (b) if so, when will the results of such studies be made public.
- **39.** Assoc Prof Walter Theseira: To ask the Minister for Manpower what is the median salary of foreign domestic workers disaggregated by (i) nationality (ii) whether they are hired through the Eldercarer Foreign Domestic Worker Scheme and (iii) prior work experience in Singapore.
- **40. Mr Ang Hin Kee:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) what is the breakdown of the current number of childcare centres located at workplaces, transport hubs and residential areas respectively; (b) what is the number of childcare places available for each group; and (c) what kind of locations are anchor operators and partner operators offering their centres at.
- **41. Mr Ang Hin Kee:** To ask the Minister for Social and Family Development (a) whether the current capacity of after-school care facilities is able to meet the demand; (b) what are the common reasons for appeal cases and feedback received from parents; (c) what is the breakdown in numbers regarding parents' feedback on affordability, capacity and services offered by Student Care Centres (SCCs); (d) whether the Ministry prescribes skill sets required of SCC personnel; and (e) whether there is a quality yardstick used to assess SCC operators.

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S.L.	733	Income Tax (Deduction for Expenditure of Qualifying Individual Under Section 14ZD) Rules 2019	 3 January 2020
S.L.	734	Women's Charter (Registration of Marriages) (Amendment) Rules 2019	 6 January 2020

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S.L.	735	Massage Establishments Act 2017 (Amendment of Schedule) Order 2019	 6 January 2020
S.L.	736	Prisons Act (Amendment of First and Second Schedules) Order 2019	 6 January 2020
S.L.	737	Organised Crime Act 2015 (Amendment of Schedule) (No. 2) Order 2019	 6 January 2020
S.L.	738	Criminal Procedure Code (Amendment of First Schedule) Order 2019	 7 January 2020
S.L.	739	Criminal Procedure (Amendment No. 3) Rules 2019	 7 January 2020
S.L.	740	Financial (Amendment) Regulations 2019	 7 January 2020
S.L.	741	Singapore Armed Forces (Premium Plan) (Amendment) Regulations 2019	 7 January 2020
S.L.	742	Monetary Authority of Singapore (Resolution of Financial Institutions) (Amendment) Regulations 2019	 8 January 2020
S.L.	743	Diplomatic and Consular Relations (Asian Development Bank) Order 2020	 10 January 2020
S.L.	744	Central Provident Fund (Contribute As You Earn Scheme) Regulations 2019	 10 January 2020

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S.L.	745	Central Provident Fund (Refunds) Regulations 2019	 10 January 2020
S.L.	746	Central Provident Fund (Retirement Sum Topping-Up Scheme) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2019	 10 January 2020
S.L.	747	Central Provident Fund (Amendment) Regulations 2019	 10 January 2020
S.L.	748	Central Provident Fund (Self- Employed Persons) (Amendment) Regulations 2019	 10 January 2020
S.L.	749	Central Provident Fund (New Retirement Sum Scheme) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2019	 10 January 2020
S.L.	750	Central Provident Fund (Topping-Up of Special Account) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2019	 10 January 2020
S.L.	751	Central Provident Fund (Voluntary Contributions) (Amendment) Regulations 2019	 10 January 2020
S.L.	752	Central Provident Fund (Revised Workfare Income Supplement Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2019	 10 January 2020
S.L.	753	Central Provident Fund (Nominations) (Amendment) Rules 2020	 10 January 2020

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Pres. Co.	153	Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Statutes (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Bill No 36/2019 (Amended)]	 15 January 2020
Pres. Co.	154	Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Banking (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 35/2019]	 15 January 2020
Pres. Co.	155	Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Healthcare Services Bill [Bill No 37/2019]	 15 January 2020
Parl.	19	Fourth Report of the Public Accounts Committee	 16 January 2020
S.L.	754	CareShield Life and Long-Term Care (Long-Term Care Support Fund - Prescribed Public Scheme) Regulations 2019	 16 January 2020
S.L.	755	Income Tax (Deduction for Expenditure for Services or Secondment to Institutions of a Public Character) Rules 2019	 16 January 2020
S.L.	756	MediShield Life Scheme (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2019	 16 January 2020
S.L.	757	Active Mobility (Dealing in Personal Mobility Devices and Mobility Vehicles) (Amemdment No. 3) Regulations 2019	 16 January 2020
S.L.	758	Road Traffic (Dealing in Power- Assisted Bicycles) (Amendment) Rules 2019	 16 January 2020

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S.L.	759	United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	 17 January 2020
S.L.	760	United Nations (Freezing of Assets of Persons - Sudan) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	 17 January 2020
S.L.	761	United Nations (Sanctions - Democratic Republic of the Congo) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	 17 January 2020
S.L.	762	United Nations (Sanctions - Democratic People's Republic of Korea) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	 17 January 2020
S.L.	763	United Nations (Sanctions - Yemen) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	 17 January 2020
S.L.	764	United Nations (Sanctions - South Sudan) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	 17 January 2020
S.L.	765	United Nations (Sanctions - Iran) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	 17 January 2020
S.L.	766	Diplomatic and Consular Relations (Bank for International Settlements) Order 2020	 21 January 2020
S.L.	767	Central Provident Fund (Home Protection Insurance Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	 24 January 2020
S.	536	Corrigendum to Singapore Land Authority Annual Report 2018/2019	 29 January 2020

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S.L.	768	Securities and Futures Act (Amendment of Third Schedule) Order 2020	 30 January 2020
S.L.	769	Goods and Services Tax Act (Amendment of Third Schedule) Order 2019	 31 January 2020
S.L.	770	Goods and Services Tax (General) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2019	 31 January 2020
S.L.	771	Goods and Services Tax (Composition of Offences) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2019	 31 January 2020