

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

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
THURSDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2025**

No. 154

11.00 am

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PRESENT:

Mr SPEAKER (Mr Seah Kian Peng (Marine Parade)).
Mr ANG WEI NENG (West Coast).
Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment and Ministry of Transport.
Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Minister for Education.
Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (East Coast).
Ms USHA CHANDRADAS (Nominated Member).
Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for Transport and Second Minister for Finance.
Mr EDWARD CHIA BING HUI (Holland-Bukit Timah).
Mr CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).
Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).
Mr ERIC CHUA (Tanjong Pagar) Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Social and Family Development.
Mr KEITH CHUA (Nominated Member).
Mr CHUA KHENG WEE LOUIS (Sengkang).
Mr DARRYL DAVID (Ang Mo Kio).
Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah), Deputy Speaker.
Ms FOO MEE HAR (West Coast).
Ms GRACE FU HAI YIEN (Yuhua), Minister for Sustainability and the Environment and Minister-in-charge of Trade Relations.
Mr GAN KIM YONG (Chua Chu Kang), Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry.
Ms GAN SIOW HUANG (Marymount), Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Manpower.
Mr GAN THIAM POH (Ang Mo Kio).
Mr GERALD GIAM YEAN SONG (Aljunied).
Mr DERRICK GOH (Nee Soon).
Ms HE TING RU (Sengkang).
Mr HENG CHEE HOW (Jalan Besar), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence.
Mr HENG SWEE KEAT (East Coast), Deputy Prime Minister.
Mr SHAWN HUANG WEI ZHONG (Jurong), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Finance.
Ms INDRANEE RAJAH (Tanjong Pagar), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Finance, Second Minister for National Development and Leader of the House.
Dr JANIL PUTHUCHEARY (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Health and Government Whip.
Dr AMY KHOR LEAN SUAN (Hong Kah North), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment and Ministry of Transport.

Dr KOH POH KOON (Tampines), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Manpower and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment.

Mr DESMOND LEE (West Coast), Minister for National Development and Minister-in-charge of Social Services Integration.

Mr LEE HSIEN LOONG (Ang Mo Kio), Senior Minister.

Mr MARK LEE (Nominated Member)

Mr LEONG MUN WAI (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr LIANG ENG HWA (Bukit Panjang).

Mr LIM BIOW CHUAN (Mountbatten).

Assoc Prof JAMUS JEROME LIM (Sengkang).

Ms SYLVIA LIM (Aljunied).

Dr LIM WEE KIAK (Sembawang).

Ms LOW YEN LING (Chua Chu Kang), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Ms MARIAM JAAFAR (Sembawang).

Dr MOHAMAD MALIKI BIN OSMAN (East Coast), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Education and Second Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Mr MOHD FAHMI BIN ALIMAN (Marine Parade).

Mr MUHAMAD FAISAL ABDUL MANAP (Aljunied).

Assoc Prof Dr MUHAMMAD FAISHAL IBRAHIM (Nee Soon), Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of National Development.

Mr MURALI PILLAI (Bukit Batok), Minister of State, Ministry of Law and Ministry of Transport.

Ms NADIA AHMAD SAMDIN (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr LOUIS NG KOK KWANG (Nee Soon).

Ms NG LING LING (Ang Mo Kio).

Miss RACHEL ONG (West Coast).

Mr ONG HUA HAN (Nominated Member).

Mr ONG YE KUNG (Sembawang), Minister for Health.

Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar).

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Jalan Besar).

Ms HAZEL POA (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr PRITAM SINGH (Aljunied), Leader of the Opposition.

Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong), Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Health.

Assoc Prof RAZWANA BEGUM ABDUL RAHIM (Nominated Member).

Ms SEE JINLI JEAN (Nominated Member).

Mr SHARAEEL TAHA (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of National Development and Deputy Government Whip.

Mr SITOY YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Ms HANY SOH (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

Ms SUN XUELING (Punggol West), Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Social and Family Development.

Mr ALVIN TAN (Tanjong Pagar), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Ms CARRIE TAN (Nee Soon).

Mr DENNIS TAN LIP FONG (Hougang).

Mr DESMOND TAN (Pasir Ris-Punggol), 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 National Development.
Dr TAN SEE LENG (Marine Parade), Minister for Manpower and Second Minister for Trade and Industry.
Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast), Deputy Speaker.
Dr TAN WU MENG (Jurong).
Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Pioneer).
Mr TEO CHEE HEAN (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Senior Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security.
Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Jalan Besar), Minister for Digital Development and Information and Second Minister for Home Affairs.
Ms TIN PEI LING (MacPherson).
Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (Marine Parade), Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Second Minister for Law.
Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).
Dr VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Minister for Foreign Affairs.
Dr WAN RIZAL (Jalan Besar).
Mr DON WEE (Chua Chu Kang).
Mr LAWRENCE WONG (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Prime Minister and Minister for Finance.
Mr XIE YAO QUAN (Jurong).
Mr ALEX YAM ZIMING (Marsiling-Yew Tee).
Ms YEO WAN LING (Pasir Ris-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 Manpower and Deputy Leader of the House.
Mr ZHULKARNAIN ABDUL RAHIM (Chua Chu Kang).

ABSENT:

Mr KWEK HIAN CHUAN HENRY (Kebun Baru).
Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Minister for Social and Family Development, Second Minister for Health and Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs.
Dr NG ENG HEN (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for Defence.
Mr NEIL PAREKH NIMIL RAJNIKANT (Nominated Member).
Ms POH LI SAN (Sembawang).
Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh).
Mr K SHANMUGAM (Nee Soon), Minister for Home Affairs and Minister for Law.

- 1 Announcement by Speaker – Mr Speaker made the following communication to the House:-
- "Pursuant to paragraph (7) of Standing Order 92, I have fixed the times for the conclusion of consideration of the heads of expenditure in the Estimates of Expenditure for FY2025/2026 in the Committee of Supply.
- In fixing these times, I have taken into account the reduction of Question Time to 30 minutes on the days allotted for the Committee of Supply debates and the extension of Sitting times of the Committee of Supply for each of the allotted days.
- Additionally, Members are notified that the Sittings on the allotted days of 3 March to 10 March will commence at 11.00 am. The "guillotine" times I have fixed have been notified to Hon. Members.
- I would also like to remind Members to use slides and videos sparingly to keep the spirit of our debating Chamber. Focusing on the delivery of speeches to be made will create a greater impact in a debate."
- 2 6 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 3 Budget Statement – (Prime Minister and Minister for Finance) (2nd Allotted Day) – Question again proposed on resumption of Debate on Question (18 February 2025), "That Parliament approves the financial policy of the Government for the financial year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026."; Debate resumed.
- 4 Adjournment of Debate – (Leader of the House) – (with the consent of Mr Speaker) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That the debate be now adjourned."
- Debate to be resumed Tomorrow.
- 5 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn."

Adjourned at 6.24 pm

SEAH KIAN PENG,
Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Pursuant to Standing Order No. 2(3)(a), Mr Speaker will take the Chair again at 11.00 am on Friday, 28 February 2025.
