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MP	PQ	Ministry	Type	Date
GG	Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth (a) what specific criteria does the People's Association use to determine whether an elected Member of Parliament (MP) can be invited to a Residents Network-organised event in their constituency; and (b) what policies are in place to ensure that all elected MPs, regardless of party affiliation, have equal opportunities to attend these publicly-funded events within their constituencies. (Q.*6501)	MCCY	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
LC	Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth what are the (i) expected total costs to develop the Founders' Memorial and (ii) annual operating costs thereafter. (Q.6088)	MCCY	Written Question	9-Sep-23
PS	Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs whether the Bangladeshi religious preacher who entered and delivered a sermon in Singapore on 9 August 2024 is on any watchlist in the possession of Home Team security agencies. (Q.*6549)	MHA	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
DT	Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs in the past five years (a) how many requests have the Ministry received for a death certificate to be issued for individuals who have been presumed dead by the courts; and (b) whether the Ministry will consider issuing a death certificate to the next-of-kin of such individuals who have been presumed dead and, if not, why not. (Q.6085)	MHA	Written Question	9-Sep-23
DT	Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs in the past three years (a) what is the number of incidence of drivers aged 21 years and below who are (i) caught for drink driving and (ii) involved in traffic accidents as a proportion of the population of drivers aged 21 and below; and (b) how do these figures compare with the wider population of all drivers. (Q.6101)	MHA	Written Question	10-Sep-23
DT	Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Law in order for an individual to pass the means test before qualifying for pro-bono legal representation from the Legal Aid Bureau (a) whether an individual is obliged to declare assets held overseas, such as property; (b) whether such overseas assets are taken into account for the purposes of the means test; and (c) if not, why not. (Q.6086)	MINLAW	Written Question	9-Sep-23
SL	Ms Sylvia Lim: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) in the last 12 months, how many applicants for Build-To-Order or Sale of Balance flats have received more than one HDB invitation to book flats in different projects; and (b) why does HDB disallow the applicants from selecting a flat in a project with a later booking date in such situations. (Q.*6379)	MND	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
GG	Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether the Ministry encourages or mandates Management Corporation Strata Titles (MCSTs) to include in their by-laws prohibitions on elected Members of Parliament (MPs) from visiting the residents staying within their properties; (b) if no such guidance exists, whether the Ministry is aware of any MCSTs implementing such prohibitions; (c) whether the Ministry intends to take any steps to ensure that such prohibitions are not unfairly applied to any MPs; and (d) if so, what are they. (Q.*6507)	MND	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
DT	Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for National Development in respect of LTA's recent announcements that it will be converting the footpaths adjacent to dedicated cycling paths into Pedestrian-Only Paths, whether NParks will align the use of its Park Connector Network (PCN) accordingly so that there will consistently be Pedestrian-Only Paths alongside paths for exclusive use of cyclists and active mobility users throughout the PCN, in order to promote safety and consistency for all pedestrians and active mobility users. (Q.*6522)	MND	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
LC	Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Minister for National Development for first-time homebuyers who obtained a HDB housing loan since 30 September 2022, what is the number and percentage of loans that have a loan-to-value ratio of (i) 80 per cent (ii) between 75 and 80 per cent and (iii) less than 75 per cent, broken down by the flat type being financed. (Q.*6537)	MND	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
LC	Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the decomposition of the HDB Resale Price Index by flat type in the year-to-date and the last five years; (b) what is the average increase in HDB resale flat prices by flat type in the year-to-date and in each year of the last five years; and (c) what are the reasons for the differences in price increases across the flat types. (Q.*6538)	MND	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
LC	Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether there are measures in place to prevent individuals who have been found to be negligent in the handling of pets in the course of providing grooming services from reoffending; and (b) whether there are plans to implement licensing requirements for pet groomers in a manner similar to pet breeders and boarders. (Q.*6545)	MND	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
LC	Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) in the past five years, what is the number of appeals for a HDB concessionary loan and of these, what is the number of successful appeals; and (b) what recourse is available to would-be HDB flat purchasers who require financing to purchase a home but are ineligible for a commercial bank loan. (Q.6089)	MND	Written Question	9-Sep-23

HTR	Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Minister for National Development in each year of the last five years (a) how many animal cruelty and welfare cases has the Ministry (i) investigated and (ii) taken enforcement actions on; (b) what is the breakdown of the cases by types of offence; and (c) what is the breakdown of the cases by types of animal. (Q.6092)	MND	Written Question	9-Sep-23
PS	Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Minister for National Development in each year from 2019 to date, what is the amount of Community Improvement Projects Committee (CIPC) funding that is extended to each respective Town Council, expressed in dollar terms. (Q.*6420)	MND	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
LC	Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Minister for National Development in each year over the last five years, what has been (i) the total number of 2-room flexi flats launched in BTO exercises (ii) the total number of 2-room flexi flats set aside for singles to apply and (iii) the average application rates for singles applying for a BTO flat. (Q.*6571)	MND	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
HTR	Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what measures are in place to prevent reoffending amongst pet business workers who are found culpable for animal cruelty and neglect offences; and (b) how does the Animal and Veterinary Service ensure that pet businesses, workers, and owners adhere to disqualification orders more broadly. (Q.*6582)	MND	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
LC	Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) what is the Ministry's assessment of the effectiveness and relevance of the Central Business District Incentive and Strategic Development Incentive schemes to date; and (b) whether these schemes will be modified or extended for the Draft Master Plan 2025. (Q.6094)	MND	Written Question	10-Sep-23
DT	Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether zebra crossings are allowed to be installed in HDB carparks; and (b) if not, whether the Government will consider allowing zebra crossings to be installed in HDB carparks in the interest of pedestrian safety. (Q.6100)	MND	Written Question	10-Sep-23
JL	Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Minister for National Development (a) whether HDB has performed any studies to ensure that existing multi-storey car parks (MSCPs) will maintain their structural integrity for an all-electric vehicle fleet; and (b) whether there are any plans to upgrade MSCPs that may not meet safety standards. (Q.6104)	MND	Written Question	10-Sep-23
DT	Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Education (a) on what date did the Ministry first become aware of security vulnerabilities in the Mobile Guardian system; (b) what immediate steps were taken within the first 24 hours upon discovery; and (c) whether the vulnerability was immediately verified and patched, bearing in mind its critical nature and ease of exploitation and, if not, why not. (Q.*6520)	MOE	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
GG	Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether there is an update to the number of students in Singapore who had their devices wiped remotely as a result of the Mobile Guardian cybersecurity breach in August 2024 and, if so, how many; (b) how many students were unable to recover their data; (c) what impact did this incident have on these students' preparation for weighted assessments and examinations; (d) whether the Ministry has any backups of students' data; and (e) if not, why not. (Q.*6543)	MOE	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
HTR	Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Minister for Education (a) how are schools managing the devices of students after the Mobile Guardian Device Management Application was removed from their devices following the security breach in August 2024; (b) whether the Ministry has plans to involve parents more in the management of their children's devices; and (c) what specific steps will the Ministry take to empower parents with the knowledge and tools to effectively manage their children's devices. (Q.*6547)	MOE	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
GG	Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Education before the security breach of Mobile Guardian in August 2024 (a) what are the dates of the most recent two vulnerability assessments and penetration tests (VAPT) conducted on the application; (b) how many vulnerability reports about Mobile Guardian have been submitted by members of the public; (c) whether all the vulnerabilities identified by each VAPT and vulnerability report have been resolved before the security breach; and (d) what is the frequency of VAPTs conducted on applications installed on students' personal learning devices. (Q.6071)	MOE	Written Question	9-Sep-23
PS	Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Minister for Education whether the entry requirements for the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at the National University of Singapore have become more stringent since 2019 to date and, if so, what are the reasons for this. (Q.*6419)	MOE	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
LC	Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Minister for Education (a) what is the average class size for primary school students in the same cohort (i) enrolled in the existing Gifted Education Programme (GEP) (ii) enrolled in schools offering the existing GEP but are not part of the GEP; and (b) how are average class sizes expected to change with the changes made to the GEP. (Q.*6569)	MOE	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
HTR	Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what specific criteria and checks are used to determine and monitor a Permanent Secretary's eligibility to sit on a company board; (b) who is responsible for making, reviewing, and reassessing these appointments; (c) how frequent are the appointments re-evaluated for potential conflicts of interest; (d) in the past five years, how many times have these checks identified and prevented a potential conflict; and (e) whether the results of these checks are made public and, if not, why not. (Q.*6548)	MOF	Oral Question	9-Sep-23

PS	Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether an update can be provided on MAS' further work to establish the facts in relation to the representations made by the former CEO of Income Insurance Ltd (Income) and NTUC Enterprise, respectively, on whether NTUC Enterprise's undertaking to hold on to the shares of Income was not for an indefinite period. (Q.*6560)	MOF	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
JL	Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) whether, in MAS' review of Allianz's plan to acquire Income Insurance Ltd, it required a commitment from Allianz to provide a capital adequacy injection to grow Income Insurance Ltd across all its business lines beyond the \$2.2 billion that Allianz will be paying; (b) if so, how much and over what time period is this commitment; and (c) if not, how will MAS ensure Allianz will not be allowed to rationalise Income Insurance Ltd's business after its purchase. (Q.*6580)	MOF	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
LC	Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what is the current cumulative fiscal position of the current term of Government; and (b) whether this includes the full amounts of special transfers, including top-ups to endowment and trust funds as allocated in annual Government budgets. (Q.6097)	MOF	Written Question	10-Sep-23
HTR	Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (a) what percentage of National Research Foundation (NRF) research grants are awarded through grant calls administered directly by NRF instead of through statutory boards; (b) for statutory board-administered grant calls, what percentage of evaluators have significant relevant research experience; and (c) why has an ARPA-like model, where expert programme managers autonomously set strategic research directions and funding, not been adopted. (Q.6108)	MOF	Written Question	10-Sep-23
JL	Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance in light of the increased rates of inflation experienced over the past few years, whether there are plans to revise the qualification threshold of \$1 million for GST registration. (Q.*6584)	MOF	Oral Question	11-Sep-23
DT	Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Health in view of studies linking uncorrected hearing loss with dementia, whether the Ministry will consider allowing seniors to use MediSave for the purchase of their hearing aids. (Q.*6578)	MOH	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
HTR	Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Minister for Health in each year of the last two years (a) how many cases of unauthorised sales of GLP-1 agonist drugs for treatment of diabetes and obesity has the Ministry investigated; (b) how many unauthorised listings of such drugs on e-commerce platforms have been taken down; (c) whether there are any prosecutions under the Health Products Act for unauthorised sale of such drugs; and (d) whether there has been an increase in public interest in these drugs driven by endorsement from celebrities and influencers. (Q.*6581)	MOH	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
JL	Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Minister for Health what is the schedule, by region and on a quarterly basis, for the anticipated completion of Active Ageing Centres that will be funded by the proposed increase in budget for this purpose. (Q.6095)	MOH	Written Question	11-Sep-23
HTR	Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Minister for Manpower in each year of the last three years (a) what is the number of incidence of salary claims with a breakdown by work pass types; and (b) what is the number of incidence of salary claims among work permit holders with a breakdown by industry. (Q.6093)	MOM	Written Question	9-Sep-23
GG	Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) how many wrongful termination cases have been filed by work permit or S-pass holders in the last 10 years; (b) in how many of such cases were the workers successful in their appeals; (c) for successful cases, what redress has been offered to the workers; and (d) whether the majority of such workers have been allowed to continue working in Singapore. (Q.*6295)	MOM	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
GG	Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) what standards or thresholds are used to issue Change of Employer (COE) letters to migrant workers who are victims of illegal acts or accused of wrongdoing but found not to be culpable at the conclusion of investigations; and (b) what are the most common reasons for not granting COE letters. (Q.*6296)	MOM	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
HTR	Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) why has Singapore not ratified (i) the International Labour Organization Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention 1930 which takes a comprehensive approach to forced labour by focusing on prevention, protection and remedy and (ii) Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention 1948 which safeguards the rights of employees and employers to freely organise; and (b) whether the Government is considering ratifying the Conventions and, if so, what is the timeline towards ratification. (Q.*6583)	MOM	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
JL	Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Minister for Manpower (a) apart from acting on complaints received, whether the Ministry conducts proactive inspections to ensure that food delivery riders working for the major food delivery platforms as freelancers are legitimate workers who are Singapore citizens or permanent residents; (b) if so, how often are these checks conducted; and (c) what is the total number of violations or arrests that have resulted from such checks in the past six months. (Q.6109)	MOM	Written Question	10-Sep-23

JL	Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Minister for Manpower whether the Ministry has studied if the increased salary qualification thresholds for Employment Pass and S Pass holders may have paradoxically led to a divergence in salaries paid to such work permit holders vis-à-vis Singaporeans as companies raise salaries to satisfy the qualification criteria for their existing workers. (Q.*6555)	MOM	Oral Question	11-Sep-23
HTR	Ms He Ting Ru: To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether the Ministry has conducted (i) any surveys on community support for the Friendly Streets and Silver Zones traffic calming schemes and (ii) longitudinal studies on the impact of the traffic calming schemes on road safety; and (b) if so, whether the Ministry can share its findings. (Q.*6301)	MOT	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
DT	Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether an update can be provided on LTA's efforts since March 2024 to prepare for the enforcement of new regulations for the use of personal mobility aids (PMAs) in 2025; (b) what efforts have been expended to engage current owners who will have to give up their PMAs under the new regulations; and (c) whether any efforts have been made to engage retailers to stop selling PMAs to buyers who will not be allowed to use PMAs under the new regulations. (Q.*6521)	MOT	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
PS	Mr Pritam Singh: To ask the Minister for Transport with regard to the newly announced Bus Connectivity Enhancement Programme announced in July 2024 (a) whether LTA is prepared to engage with opposition Members of Parliament as well as Grassroots Advisers in opposition-held constituencies on bus service enhancements for taxpayer benefit; and (b) whether LTA envisages the retention or reintroduction of bus services which may be relatively underutilised but provide convenience to senior citizens especially where new MRT stations have become operational. (Q.*6550)	MOT	Oral Question	9-Sep-23
GG	Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Transport (a) what is the target temperature set for MRT train cars and station platforms; (b) how is this temperature monitored and controlled while the trains are running; (c) in the past six months, how many feedback reports have all the train operators and LTA received regarding excessively warm train cars or platforms; and (d) which MRT line received the most of such feedback. (Q.*6383)	MOT	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
DT	Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Transport (a) whether the Government will mandate maximum charging limits for electric vehicles (EVs) in residential carparks for fire safety; and (b) how does the Government plan to reconcile EV adoption targets with the potential increased fire risks in high-density urban areas. (Q.*6528)	MOT	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
GG	Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Transport whether any guidelines or regulations are issued to public transport operators to ensure that bus services (i) alight passengers closer to the kerb so that elderly persons do not have to jump to reach the kerb (ii) reduce instances of jerky driving and (iii) ensure that bus captains pay closer attention to traffic lights to reduce incidents of sudden braking that can lead to passengers falling down and getting injured. (Q.6078)	MOT	Written Question	10-Sep-23
JL	Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Minister for Transport whether the tender documentation for the ERP 2.0 On-Board Unit (OBU) specifically indicated that the OBU will need to satisfy (i) automotive grade temperature ranges or (ii) the International Electrotechnical Commission's IEC-60068 and IEC-60529 standards. (Q.6103)	MOT	Written Question	10-Sep-23
GG	Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) in the past year, how many requests for enforcement action has NEA received for (i) pet defecation and (ii) pet urination in common areas of HDB estates; (b) how many times has NEA taken enforcement action against pet owners who fail to clean up after their pets in such areas; (c) whether there are any regulations that require owners to clean up pet urination; and (d) if not, whether the Ministry will consider introducing such regulations. (Q.6080)	MSE	Written Question	9-Sep-23
DT	Mr Dennis Tan Lip Fong: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) whether there are further plans to offer more rooftop urban farms for tender; and (b) whether there are plans to offer a longer lease period of beyond three years for such farms. (Q.*6573)	MSE	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
GG	Mr Gerald Giam Yean Song: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment (a) what criteria are used by National Environment Agency (NEA) officers to determine if an elderly or disabled person is unable to return their tray at hawker centres; (b) whether all NEA officers and tray return ambassadors are briefed on these criteria so they do not advise or issue summonses to such persons for not returning their trays; and (c) whether notices in hawker centres can make clear that such persons are not obligated to return their trays. (Q.6077)	MSE	Written Question	10-Sep-23
JL	Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim: To ask the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment whether there are any plans to introduce pricing guidelines for amounts that merchants may levy for the plastic bag charge. (Q.*6567)	MSE	Oral Question	11-Sep-23
SL	Ms Sylvia Lim: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry whether the Ministry can provide an assessment of the status and prospects of the Lao PDR-Thailand-Malaysia-Singapore Power Integration Project to import hydropower from Laos. (Q.*6380)	MTI	Oral Question	9-Sep-23

LC	Mr Chua Kheng Wee Louis: To ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry (a) whether the Government is working with South Korean authorities and conducting its own investigations into Singapore-based Qoo10 regarding payment delays at its e-commerce platforms in South Korea; (b) whether the Ministry is aware of any similar payment delays faced by merchants in Singapore; and (c) if so, what recourse and assistance are rendered to merchants who may be facing such issues. (Q.*6570)	MTI	Oral Question	10-Sep-23
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