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Mr Heng Swee Keat, 51, Minister for Education

#### Ministers and MPs

- Mr Chan Chun Sing, 43, Acting Minister for Community Development, Youth and Sports
- Mr Tan Chuan-Jin, 43, Acting Minister for Manpower and Senior Minister of State for National Development
- Mr Lawrence Wong, 40, Senior Minister of State for Education and Information, Communications and the Arts
- Madam Halimah Yacob, 58, Minister of State for Community Development, Youth and Sports
- Ms Sim Ann, 37, Senior Parliamentary Secretary for Education and Law
- Ms Indranee Rajah, 49, MP for Tanjong Pagar GRC
- Ms Denise Phua, 53, MP for Moulmein- Kallang GRC

#### Non-government representatives

- Ms Cham Hui Fong, 44, Assistant Secretary-General, National Trades Union Congress and former Nominated MP
- Mr Stanley Chia Ding Li, 25, final-year accountancy student at Nanyang Technological University and managing

director of Envisage Education, which trains young people to run social enterprise projects

- Ms Chia Yong Yong, 50, president of the Society for the Physically Disabled
- Dr Noorul Fatha As'art, 34, board member of the Singapore Muslim Women's Association and assistant director at the Health Ministry's non-communicable disease branch
- Mr Ismail Hussein, 49, head of Maybank Singapore's Islamic Banking Unit
- Mr S. Shaikh Ismail, 33, manager in multi-national consulting firm; involved in social and community work for 12 years
- Ms Kuo Jian Hong, 45, artistic director of The Theatre Practice and daughter of late theatre pioneer Kuo Pao Kun
- Ms Lee Huay Leng, 41, deputy editor at Lianhe Zaobao
- Mr George Lim, 56, Senior Counsel and partner at law firm Wee, Tay & Lim; former president of Law Society of Singapore
- Ms Lim Ru Ping, 61, part-time artiste at MediaCorp and host of variety shows
- Dr Mahdev Mohan, 33, assistant professor of law at

Singapore Management University

- Mr Jeffrey Oon, 37, Audience and Editorial Lead at Yahoo Asia
- Mr Thomas Pek, 52, chairs Young Entrepreneurs Network Committee at Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and youth group at Singapore Federation of Chinese Clan Associations; managing director of Tai Hua Food Industries
- Mrs Jessie Phua, 57, Team Singapore's chef de mission at London Olympics and former Nominated MP
- Dr Kenneth Paul Tan, 40, vice-dean (academic affairs) and associate professor at Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy
- Ms Teng Zi Ying, 19; third-year student of Applied Drama and Psychology at Singapore Polytechnic
- Mr Patrick Teo Han Cheng, 49, taxi driver and secretary of the TransCab Operators' Association
- Mr Benett Theseira, 47, president of Singapore Eurasian Association, National Integration Council member and managing director of Pramerica Real Estate Investors (Asia)



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The non-government representatives include (from left) MediaCorp part-time artiste Lim Ru Ping, Maybank Singapore's Islamic Banking Unit head Ismail Hussein, NTU student Stanley Chia Ding Li and taxi driver Patrick Teo Han Cheng.