PRESS RELEASE

GENERAL ELECTION 2020

WRIT OF ELECTION

The President has issued the Writ of Election for General Election 2020.

NOMINATION DAY

2 Nomination Day is 30 June 2020 (Tuesday).

RETURNING OFFICER

3 The Returning Officer is Mr Tan Meng Dui, Chief Executive Officer of the National Environment Agency.

NOMINATION PLACES

- 4 The Nomination Places are listed at <u>Annex A</u>.
- Only candidates who meet the following conditions may be allowed to enter the Nomination Place:
 - The candidate has been issued a Political Donation Certificate:
 - The candidate is accompanied by a proposer, a seconder and at least four assentors: and
 - In the case of Group Representation Constituency (GRC) candidates, the relevant candidate in the group has been issued the relevant certificate from either the Malay Community Committee or the Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee.¹

NOMINATION PAPER

In light of the COVID-19 situation, we encourage candidates to use the digital services for candidates on the Elections Department (ELD) website to prepare their Nomination Paper, which will enable them to check that their subscribers belong to the right electoral division, and print it before Nomination Day. Otherwise, candidates can simply just download the Nomination Paper from the ELD website. Hard copies of the Nomination Paper will continue to be made available at the office of the Returning Officer at ELD, 11 Prinsep Link, Singapore 187949, between 8.30 am and 6 pm from Monday to

¹ In the case of GRC, the following additional requirements also have to be met: the number of members of the group must satisfy the number of candidates designated for the GRC; all the members in the group must belong to the same political party, or must be seeking to stand as a group of independent candidates; and all the members in the group must be present.

Friday and between 8.30 am and 1 pm on Saturday.

- The Nomination Paper must be filled in correctly and signed by the candidate (or group of candidates for a GRC) and a proposer, a seconder and at least four assentors whose names appear in the current Register of Electors for the electoral division that the candidate (or group of candidates) seeks election, and be delivered in duplicate to the Returning Officer at the Nomination Place between 11 am and 12 noon on Nomination Day. The candidate (or group of candidates) must be accompanied by a proposer, a seconder and at least four assentors when delivering the Nomination Paper.
- A candidate who is unable or unfit to file his Nomination Paper because of a COVID-19 Stay Home Notice (SHN) or Quarantine Order (QO), or if he is hospitalised or in ill health may authorise a representative to file his Nomination Paper on his behalf. The authorised representative must possess a Power of Attorney expressly authorising the representative to represent and act on behalf of the candidate at nomination proceedings. This must include an authorisation to submit Nomination Paper and raise objections to the Nomination Papers of other candidates. The authorised representative must be a Singapore citizen who is entitled to vote.
- In view of the prevailing COVID-19 situation, safety precautions (e.g. temperature screening) will be put in place at the Nomination Centre. Candidates should find a replacement if any of their subscribers is on SHN, QO, or on medical certificate for Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI), or having a fever or ARI symptoms, <u>as they will not be allowed</u> to enter the Nomination Centre.

POLITICAL DONATION CERTIFICATE

10 Every candidate must obtain a Political Donation Certificate from the Registrar of Political Donations. Candidates are encouraged to submit their applications for the Political Donation Certificate, comprising a Pre-election Donation Report (Form 3) and a Pre-election Declaration (Form 4), online via ELD's digital services for candidates, not later than 26 June 2020 (Friday). Application forms can also be downloaded from the ELD website, and submitted in person, or through an authorised representative, to the Registrar of Political Donations.

CERTIFICATES OF THE MALAY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE AND THE INDIAN AND OTHER MINORITY COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

11 For groups of candidates seeking election in a GRC, a certificate from either the Malay Community Committee or the Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee relating to at least one member of the group, depending upon the designation of the GRC, is required (see <u>Annex B</u> for composition of Committees). All applications must be submitted to ELD not later than 26 June 2020 (Friday). The relevant candidate is encouraged to submit his/her application online via ELD's digital services for candidates. Application forms can also be downloaded from the <u>ELD website</u>.

An applicant may submit additional information to support his application. The additional information must be set out in a statutory declaration and not exceed two pages. The original copy of the statutory declaration must be submitted in person or by post to ELD not later than 26 June 2020 (Friday).

ELECTION DEPOSIT

- According to the Parliamentary Elections Act, the deposit per candidate is the fixed monthly allowance payable to an elected Member of Parliament for the month immediately before the date of dissolution of Parliament (rounded to the nearest \$500). The deposit for a candidate for this General Election is \$13,500.
- Payment of the deposit can be made any time after the issue of the Writ of Election but must be made before 12 noon on Nomination Day. The deposit should be paid by electronic funds transfer through ELD's digital services for candidates, or using bank draft or cheque certified by the bank as good for payment of the sum specified therein (payable to "Elections Department") at ELD. While payment of the deposit can be made at the Nomination Place before 12 noon on Nomination Day, we strongly encourage candidates to make payment of the deposit early via electronic funds transfer through ELD's digital services for candidates.

POLLING DAY

The Returning Officer will declare 10 July 2020 (Friday) to be Polling Day. Under the law, Polling Day at any General Election shall be a public holiday. Every employer shall on Polling Day allow every elector in his employ a reasonable period of time for voting.

ISSUED BY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

23 June 2020

ANNEX A

LIST OF NOMINATION PLACES

	Nomination Place	Electoral Division
1.	Bendemeer Primary School	Bishan-Toa Payoh
	School Hall Building	Jalan Besar
	91 Bendemeer Road	Radin Mas
	Singapore 339948	Tanjong Pagar
2.	Chongfu School	Kebun Baru
	School Hall Building	Marsiling-Yew Tee
	170 Yishun Avenue 6	Nee Soon
	Singapore 768959	Sembawang
3.	Deyi Secondary School	Aljunied
	School Hall Building	Ang Mo Kio
	1 Ang Mo Kio Street 42	Marymount
	Singapore 569277	Yio Chu Kang
4.	Jurong Pioneer Junior College	Chua Chu Kang
	School Hall Building	Hong Kah North
	21 Teck Whye Walk	Pioneer
	Singapore 688258	
5.	Kong Hwa School	MacPherson
	School Hall Building	Marine Parade
	350 Guillemard Road	Mountbatten
	Singapore 399772	Potong Pasir
6.	Methodist Girls' School	Bukit Panjang
	School Hall Building	Holland-Bukit Timah
	11 Blackmore Drive	
7	Singapore 599986	Dukit Datak
7.	Nan Hua High School	Bukit Batok
	School Hall Building	Jurong
	41 Clementi Avenue 1	West Coast
8.	Singapore 129956	Yuhua
ο.	Poi Ching School School Hall Building	Hougang Tampines
	21 Tampines Street 71	i ampines
	Singapore 529067	
9.	St. Anthony's Canossian Primary	East Coast
] 3.	School	Pasir Ris-Punggol
	School Hall Building	Punggol West
	1602 Bedok North Avenue 4	Sengkang
	Singapore 469701	
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COMPOSITION OF MALAY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE AND INDIAN AND OTHER MINORITY COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

The members of the Malay Community Committee are:

- 1. Yatiman Bin Yusof Chairman
- 2. Fatimah Binte Azimullah
- 3. Hadijah Bte Rahmat
- 4. Mohammad Alami Musa
- 5. Zulkifli Bin Baharudin

The members of the Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee are:

- 1. Satkunanantham s/o Kandiah Chairman
- 2. De Silva Gerard Francis
- 3. Khiatani Manohar Ramesh
- 4. Narayanan Ganapathy
- 5. Ravinder Singh s/o Harchand Singh