

Top honours for man who built up SIA, led GIC, MAS

J.Y. Pillay among 4,985 receiving National Day honours for their service to the nation

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Mr J.Y. Pillay, 85, the longest-serving chairman of the Council of Presidential Advisers (CPA), has been awarded Singapore's highest civilian honour. He is the 11th Singaporean to receive the Order of Temasek (With Distinction).

A veteran civil servant whom founding Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew said was "equal to the best brains in America", Mr Pillay was permanent secretary in the finance, defence and national development ministries.

Other positions he held previously included chairman of the Singapore Exchange and DBS Bank, as well as managing director of GIC and the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS). He chaired the CPA from 2005 until January this year.

He continues to be a member of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights. He is also rector of the College of Alice & Peter Tan at the National University of Singapore, and a board member of the Vatican's Financial Information Authority.

In addition to overseeing the formation of the Singapore Exchange in 1999, Mr Pillay was founding chairman of Singapore Airlines. From a small fleet of 12 aircraft when he took over in 1972, SIA had grown to become one of the world's top airlines by the time he stepped down in 1996.

"I have very satisfying memories of my career in the civil service. If asked to cite the most traumatic event, I would say it was the so-called Pan-Electric crisis in the November of 1985, not long after I was posted to the MAS," said Mr Pillay, referring to the collapse of Singapore-based company Pan-Electric Industries that led to a three-day shutdown of the Singapore and Kuala Lumpur stock exchanges in 1985. "It was a kind of baptism of fire for me. Although the shock waves it created carried the moniker of 'Pan-Electric' (a rather insignificant manufacturing com-

pany in Jurong), it was a crisis of the stockbroking industry, which at that time was a mutualised entity.

"The industry recovered, but it took another 15 years for it to be demutualised and modernised."

His best memories, he said, were working with his colleagues and superiors to try to achieve mutually agreed goals. "The two outstanding mentors I have had the privilege of serving were Hon Sui Sen and Goh Keng Swee. Not at all identical in personality and behaviour, but both driven by the common desire to make our world a better place.

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The late Mr Hon and Mr Goh were both finance ministers, among their many other roles in public service.

The next highest award this year, the Order of Nila Utama (With High Distinction) goes to former minister and newly minted Singapore Management University chancellor Lim Chee Onn.

Mr Lim, 75, chairs the Singapore-Suzhou Township Development and is an honorary chairman of the National Heritage Board as well as a CPA member. He was executive chairman of Keppel Corporation from 2000 to 2008.

He served as a board member of MAS and as MP from 1977 to 1992. He was also secretary-general of the National Trades Union Congress from 1979 to 1983 and minister without portfolio in the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) from 1980 to 1983.

Both the Order of Temasek and Order of Nila Utama are conferred by the President on the advice of the Prime Minister.

Mr Pillay and Mr Lim are among 4,985 individuals receiving National Day honours this year for their service to the nation.

Three individuals received the Distinguished Service Order, the third-highest award to be given this year. Among them is charity sector veteran Gerard Ee, 69, chairman of the Charity Council and Agency for Integrated Care (AIC).



Mr J.Y. Pillay, who has been awarded the Order of Temasek (With Distinction), said his best memories are of working with colleagues and superiors. ST FILE PHOTO

TRIBUTE TO MENTORS

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MR J.Y. PILLAY, on the late Mr Hon and Mr Goh, who were both finance ministers, among their many other roles in public service.

He told *The Straits Times* that in his more than 30 years of social service work, his favourite "child" is the Council for Third Age (C3A), an agency promoting active ageing in Singapore through public education, outreach and partnerships.

"It took me two years to promote the idea (of C3A)," he said.

When the then Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports gave Mr Ee's brainchild the nod in 2007, "I could not wait any longer and took it upon myself to submit the registration papers", he said.

"C3A took over the annual Senior Citizens' Week, reformatted and relaunched it as an active ageing event. Today, active ageing is very much a part of the local vocabulary, and C3A is thriving under new leadership."

For his contributions, Mr Ee, a retired chartered accountant, is receiving the Distinguished Service Order from the Government.

His citation notes his "significant contributions in setting the direction for the Charity Council, strengthening governance and building public trust in the sector".

"With the AIC, he provided strong leadership in moving care beyond hospitals to the community and integrating health and social care to better meet the needs of Singapore's ageing population."

Mr Ee said the award holds special meaning for him as his late father had received the same award. Businessman and philanthropist Ee Peng Liang was conferred the Distinguished Service Order in 1985.

Besides Mr Ee, the two other recipients of the Distinguished Service Order this year are the chair-



Former minister and newly minted Singapore Management University chancellor Lim Chee Onn has been awarded the Order of Nila Utama (With High Distinction).



(From left) Mr Gerard Ee, Mr Ang Kong Hua and Mr Chiang Chie Foo have been awarded the Distinguished Service Order.



Ms Ho Peng and Mr Yatiman Yusof have been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal.



man of Sembcorp Industries as well as GIC, Mr Ang Kong Hua; and Central Provident Fund Board and PUB chairman Chiang Chie Foo.

Receiving the Meritorious Service Medal are adviser and former director-general of education Ho Peng and chairman of the Malay Language Council board of advisers and former senior parliamentary secretary Yatiman Yusof.

Mr Yatiman's citation says: "He has been an active champion of the Malay language and culture

over many years, and has worked tirelessly with multiple public agencies and partners to not only preserve, but also elevate the awareness and practice of the language and culture in Singapore. He is also a diplomat and ambassador for Singapore."

A full list of this year's National Day Award recipients is available at the PMO website: <http://www.pmo.gov.sg/national-day-awards>

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National Day Awards 2019

The recipients of this year's National Day Honours are:

The Order of Temasek (With Distinction) Darjah Utama Temasek (Dengan Kepujian)

JY Pillay, Former Chairman, Council of Presidential Advisers

The Order of Nila Utama (With High Distinction) Darjah Utama Nila Utama (Dengan Kepujian Tinggi)

Lim Chee Onn, Member, Council of Presidential Advisers

The Distinguished Service Order Darjah Utama Bakti Cemerlang

Ang Kong Hua, Chairman, Sembcorp Industries Ltd. Chairman, GIC Investment Board; Chiang Chie Foo, Chairman, CPF Board, Chairman, PUB; Dr Gerard Ee Hock Kim, Chairman, Charity Council

The Meritorious Service Medal Pingat Jasa Gemilang

Ms Ho Peng, Advisor and Former Director-General of Education; Yatiman Yusof, Chairman, Malay Language Council Board of Advisors

The Public Service Star (Bar) Bintang Bakti Masyarakat (Lintang)

CHUA CHU KANG GRC
Low Beng Tin, BBM, Honorary Chairman, Nanyang CCC

EAST COAST GRC

Koh Tong Seng, BBM, P Kepujian, Chairman, Changi Simei CCC

JALAN BESAR GRC

Tony Phua, BBM, Patron, Whampoa CCC

NEE SOON GRC

Lim Chap Huat, BBM, Patron, Chong Pang CCC

WEST COAST GRC

Ng Soh Kim, BBM, Honorary Chairman, Boon Lay CCMC

BUKIT BATOK SMC

Peter Yeo Koon Poh, BBM, Honorary Chairman, Bukit Batok CCC

BUKIT PANJANG SMC

Tan Jue Tong, BBM, Vice-Chairman, Bukit Panjang C2E

HOUGANG SMC

Lien Wai Poh, BBM, Chairman, Hougang CCC

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

Gerald Balendran Singham, JP, BBM, PBM, Chairman, National Crime Prevention Council

MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Ng Boon Yew, BBM, Member, Council for Estate Agencies

MINISTRY OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY

Dr Loo Choon Yong, BBM, Former Chairman, Jurong Town Corporation

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT

Abdullah Shafie Bin Mohamed Sidik, JP, BBM, Member, Public Transport Council

The Public Service Star (Bar) (Posthumous)

MARINE PARADE GRC
Late Mr Yeo Teck Ser, BBM, Former Member, Joo Chiat CCC

The Public Service Star Bintang Bakti Masyarakat

MINISTRY OF CULTURE, COMMUNITY AND YOUTH (DFS)

Lan Shui, Conductor Laureate

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (DFS)

Dr Hidenari Tanaka, Honorary Consul-General in Nagoya, Japan

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT (DFS)

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ANG MO KIO GRC

Koh Hock Seng, PBM, Chairman, Ang Mo Kio-Hougang CCC;

Home is where the heart is for conductor

**Mr Lan Shui
Conductor Laureate, Singapore Symphony Orchestra
Public Service Star**

When conductor laureate Lan Shui took over the reins of the Singapore Symphony Orchestra (SSO) in 1997, its performance home was the Victoria Concert Hall (VCH), which had vastly inferior acoustics to what is heard there today, following extensive refurbishments.

Ground-laying for the Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay complex had also just taken place.

The SSO was a respectable but unremarkable Asian orchestra. To attract a wider audience, it decided to stage a Casual Concerts series featuring more popular classical fare.

Mr Shui admits to feeling nervous about Singaporeans' response to the concerts then.

He says: "We were just thinking about how we could reach more people and let them know that music is for everyone, instead of only a small number of music lovers."

Twenty-two years later, the SSO has played at both the Esplanade and VCH, achieved international standing through worldwide tours and recordings, and commissioned



In a photo taken in 2016, conductor laureate Lan Shui is seen leading the Singapore Symphony Orchestra during a performance in Berlin.
PHOTO: SINGAPORE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

40 new works by local composers.

"Most of our concerts achieve 70 per cent to 80 per cent audience attendance," he says, observing that this is no mean feat.

"Even classical music groups in the West have a hard time surviving and selling tickets."

The orchestra's openness to feature different composers and musical styles has broadened Singapore-

ans' musical palate.

Mr Shui, who was born in Hangzhou, China, says: "When I first came to Singapore, audiences barely noticed music by composers like Gustav Mahler. Now it's always full house when an orchestra here plays Mahler."

He credits SSO's technical excellence to the commitment of its musicians. "They already know the

piece so well, but they still always dig deeper during rehearsals."

It also helps, he says, that Singapore Symphony Group chairman Goh Yew Lin understands both music and business.

"Many Western orchestras have boards that provide funding, but (these boards) take no interest in music. But in SSO, everyone is involved."

Although he travels frequently between Europe and Taiwan for conducting engagements, his love affair with Singapore is unique.

Mr Shui, 61, says: "This is the only place in my life I feel so connected with. It's my home. Nothing before has been like it, and nothing after will be like it."

Grace Ho

The Public Administration Medal (Silver) (Bar) Pingat Pentadbiran Awam (Perak) (Lintang)

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Prof Kam Chan Hin, Deputy Provost (Education), President's Office, Nanyang Technological University

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

James Khor Ngap Long, Deputy Commissioner, Individual Group, Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

SAC Lee Kwai Sem, Director (Rehabilitation & Reintegration Division), Singapore Prison Service

The Public Administration Medal (Gold) Pingat Pentadbiran Awam (Emas)

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Ms Ooi Hui Mei, Group Director (Communications), Communications Group, People's Association; Ng Eng Soon, Deputy Chief, ActiveSG, Sport Singapore

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Dennis Ang Keng Leong, Senior Director (Innovation & Infrastructure), Innovation & Infrastructure Office, Nanyang Polytechnic; Dr Ang Kiam Wee, Principal, ITE College Central, Institute of Technical Education; Ms Low Yoke Kiew, Zonal Director

(Schools), North Directorate; Ms Angela Wong Chooi Cheng, Director, Computer Centre, Ngee Ann Polytechnic; Mdm Choy Wai Yin, Director, Guidance, Student Development Curriculum Division; Hee Joh Liang, Deputy Principal, Development, Singapore Polytechnic; Jeffrey Low Swee Heng, Director, English Language & Literature, Curriculum Planning & Development Division 2; Prof Bernard John Lanskey, Dean and Professor; Yong Siew Toh, Conservatory of Music, National University of Singapore; Mdm Dolly Wee Lay Peng, Principal, Tanjong Katong Secondary School; John Leong Kit Hoong, Director, Temasek SkillsFuture Academy, Temasek Polytechnic; Mdm Lee Lay See, Principal, Tampines Primary School; Prof Joseph Liow Chin Yong, Dean, College of Humanities, Arts, & Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University; Michel Saw Mun Seong, Principal, Edgefield Primary School; Prof Pang Hwee Hwa, Dean, School of Information Systems, Singapore Management University; Mdm Cheryl Foo Lih Jong, Principal, Greenwood Primary School; Dr Jaclyn Lee Mui Suan, Chief Human Resource Officer, Human Resource, Singapore University of Technology and Design; Mrs Jenny Leong-Tan Ling Ling, Principal, Damai Primary School; Mrs Lai-Low Sock Cheng, Director, School of Business, Temasek Polytechnic; Mdm Chua Ye Ling, Principal, Kong Hwa School; Prof May Oo Lwin, Associate Dean (Special Projects), College of Humanities, Arts, & Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University; Mdm Seah Whye Choo, Principal, Seng Kang Primary School; Prof Phang Sock Yong, Vice Provost (Faculty Matters), School of Economics, Singapore Management University; Mr Stephen Chin Hong Ern, Principal, St. Gabriel's Secondary School; Ms Alice Seow Chui Hoon, Senior Director, Curriculum & Educational Development, Institute of Technical Education; Ms Tay Lai Ling, Director, Research and Development, Research and Development Division, Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board; Shanmugasundar Windersalam, Registrar, Office of the Registrar, Republic Polytechnic; Mdm Cheng Hwee Yeang, Principal, Cedar Girls' Secondary School; Prof Simon Arthur Chesterman, Dean and Professor, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore; Alcantara Albert Alfred, Principal, Wellington Primary School; Subrata Chanda, Director, Centre of Innovation (Marine & Offshore Technology), Ngee Ann Polytechnic; Mdm Evelyn Tan Yuan Yuan, Director, HR Management Centre, HR Solutions & Capabilities Division; Henry Tan Hin Teck, Senior Director, Planning & Organisation Development, Singapore Polytechnic; Dr Peck Thian Guan, Director, Office of Safety, Health and Environment,

Richard Yong Yuen Sen, PBM, Vice-Chairman, Cheng San-Seletar CCC

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Strengthening identity, competencies of teachers

Ms Ho Peng
Advisor and Former
Director-General of Education
Meritorious Service Medal

Raising the quality and professionalism of more than 30,000 teachers in the Ministry of Education's schools is no walk in the park.

But Ms Ho Peng, who was formerly director-general of education, has done it with aplomb.

In 2009, she set up a team that worked with teachers across schools, to pick the quintessential elements of teaching.

This led to the launch of the teachers' vision of "Lead, Care and Inspire", a clarion call for teachers to follow their calling.

The 65-year-old also drew up a teachers' code of practice and helped set up various teacher academies and language centres.

These include the Academy of Singapore Teachers, Singapore Teachers Academy for the Arts, Physical Education and Sports Teacher Academy, English Language Institute of Singapore and Singapore Centre for Chinese Language.

Their aim is to strengthen the competencies, identity and ethos of teachers.

"What I am most proud of today is the very strong corps of Singapore teachers led by master teachers in various subject areas," she says.

"The strength of our teaching profession has required several years to build up, but the impact has been great in the classroom



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and has allowed our curriculum to be implemented well."

Ms Ho believes that education is a key pillar in any society, and is about building the future for both country and self.

"My wish is for our education system to be continually responsive to future needs, and for us to make timely and bold decisions as and when warranted."

Changing perceptions, fostering understanding

Mr Yatiman Yusof
Chairman, Malay Language
Council Board of Advisors,
Meritorious Service Medal

Mr Yatiman Yusof, 73, is no stranger to public service. Yet, he is surprised to have won the award, saying: "I have not done much for Singapore that merits this award."

A former editor of Berita Harian and Berita Minggu, he was also an MP and senior parliamentary secretary for more than two decades until his retirement in 2006.

He is Singapore's Non-Resident High Commissioner to Kenya and a board member of the Singapore Press Holdings Foundation. He has also served as Non-Resident

High Commissioner to Rwanda and as a board member of SingHealth, among others.

Two experiences stand out in his memory: being part of the effort to change perceptions of the status of the Malay language, and fighting to keep healthcare costs affordable.

"Proponents in Malaysia and Indonesia used to say that the Malay language and culture suffered an unavoidable 'death'," he says.

"But we engaged them and shared the unique nature of multi-racial Singapore and our bilingualism policy, helping them understand the challenges in ensuring our economic growth while preserving the values that formed our distinct identity.



Mr Yatiman
Yusof has
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perceptions of
the Malay
language.

"We attended conferences and workshops, and shared with them many books written by Singaporeans in Malay. Thanks to unstinting efforts on our part, especially among our English-educated Malay writers, they began to change their perceptions."

His involvement in the healthcare sector, and as board member and chairman of the volunteer com-

mittee at the National Kidney Foundation, meant pushing for better and more affordable healthcare.

"When one loses the effective function of one's kidneys, a person's life changes. It is a painful life that some are unable to endure," he says.

Not all of his efforts have been successful, though.

"A few years ago, I worked with the Singapore Scouts Association to bring the World Jamboree, a gathering of Scouts from all over the world, to Singapore," he recalls.

"We spent three months travelling to most of the Middle Eastern countries and a few African countries to rally support, but we lost to Japan."

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The Public Administration Medal (Silver) (Posthumous)

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Late Ms Low Hwee Geok, Former Divisional Director, Examinations, Institute of Technical Education

The Public Administration Medal (Silver) (Military) Pingat Pentadbiran Awam (Perak) (Tentera)

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Volunteering is in his DNA

ADDRESSING NEEDS

Be an answer to somebody's prayer. That's always the case in public service – to try to help others on something that is meaningful and needed by them.



MR GERALD SINGHAM



Mr Gerald Balendran Singham Chairman, National Crime Prevention Council, Public Service Star (Bar)

Mr Gerald Singham credits his lifelong interest in volunteer work to his father.

"He belonged to the post-independence generation of Singaporeans who had so much less, yet did so much for the community," says the 58-year-old, who is deputy managing partner at law firm Dentons Rodyk.

He is also vice-chairman of racial harmony advocacy group OnePeople.sg

One of his most pressing tasks today is ensuring that elderly Singaporeans do not fall prey to scams.

"In the early years, there was physical crime – burglary, robbery. But crimes today have taken on a whole new typology with these scams," he says.

"A lot of work is being done by the (National Crime Prevention Council) to create greater public awareness and programmes for crime prevention."

Mr Singham especially treasures the bonds forged with fellow volunteers and the satisfaction gleaned from paying it forward to society at large.

The award, he says, is a reminder that public service is in itself a privilege. "It means that we are in circumstances where we have the capacity and means to help others."

Mr Singham believes that the titular phrase in the national anthem, *Majulah Singapura*, or "onward Singapore", rings as true today as it did for the country's pioneer leaders 54 years ago.

"That's my wish in every way possible – that Singapore is always moving onward and upward, both economically and multiracially as a cohesive society."

"Be an answer to somebody's prayer. That's always the case in public service – to try to help others on something that is meaningful and needed by them."

Grace Ho

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Mr Abdullah Shafie Mohamed Sidik says the Public Transport Council consulted various segments of Singapore's population for input on bus and train fares. PHOTO: COURTESY OF ABDULLAH SHAFIE MOHAMED SIDIK

Building a world-class public transport system

Mr Abdullah Shafie Mohamed Sidik
Member, Public Transport Council
Public Service Star (Bar)

Since becoming a member of the Public Transport Council in 2012, Mr Abdullah Shafie Mohamed Sidik has been kept awake by transport fares.

The reviews of train and bus fares are the most challenging, says the veteran grassroots and union leader.

"The formula we used showed that bus fares had to increase," says the 60-year-old.

"We had to work out a mechanism for this increase. Those were tough times and there was a public outcry."

But the decision was never taken

lightly and involved extensive consultations with different segments of Singapore's population.

"We met various clusters of people, from students to civil servants and organisation leaders. I also represented the Malay community's feedback and suggestions."

Ultimately, he says, the efforts paid off in concrete changes to the public transport infrastructure.

"The most important task is to ensure the public enjoys safe, clean and timely transport. Also, it is now easier for the wheelchair-bound and parents with young children to board buses."

He is now optimistic that Singapore will attain a world-class transport system with excellent train and bus infrastructure and easier fare payments.



Mr Teo Siong Seng encourages Singaporeans to have a sense of community, camaraderie and the kampung spirit to help one another. ST FILE PHOTO

A voice for businesses' needs and concerns

Mr Teo Siong Seng
Honorary President,
Singapore Chinese Chamber of
Commerce and Industry
Public Service Star

Mr Teo Siong Seng's most memorable experiences were forged in the cut and thrust of parliamentary debates.

"The Government has many incentives or carrots. But some carrots hang too high and the rabbits can't reach them," he says, describing

difficulties faced by the business community he represents.

The 64-year-old managing director of shipping company Pacific International Lines, who is also chairman of the Singapore Business Federation, recalls a particularly tough period in 2010.

Businesses faced rising costs from the hike in foreign worker levy and curbs on foreign manpower.

A then Nominated Member of Parliament (NMP), he needed to

strike a fine balance between what businesses wanted and what the Government could give.

Says Mr Teo: "The Government listens to what businesses say. But businesses must also appreciate what the Government can or cannot do with public money, which entails a degree of goalkeeping."

"As NMPs, we have to raise issues and give constructive suggestions."

Mr Teo hopes Singaporeans will embrace diversity and stay strongly united.

"We're going through a very challenging time, but we've been through half a century of nation building and achieved much through hard work and determination. We should have a sense of community, camaraderie and the kampung spirit to help one another."

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