



TOTAL DEFENCE

TOGETHER WE KEEP SINGAPORE STRONG

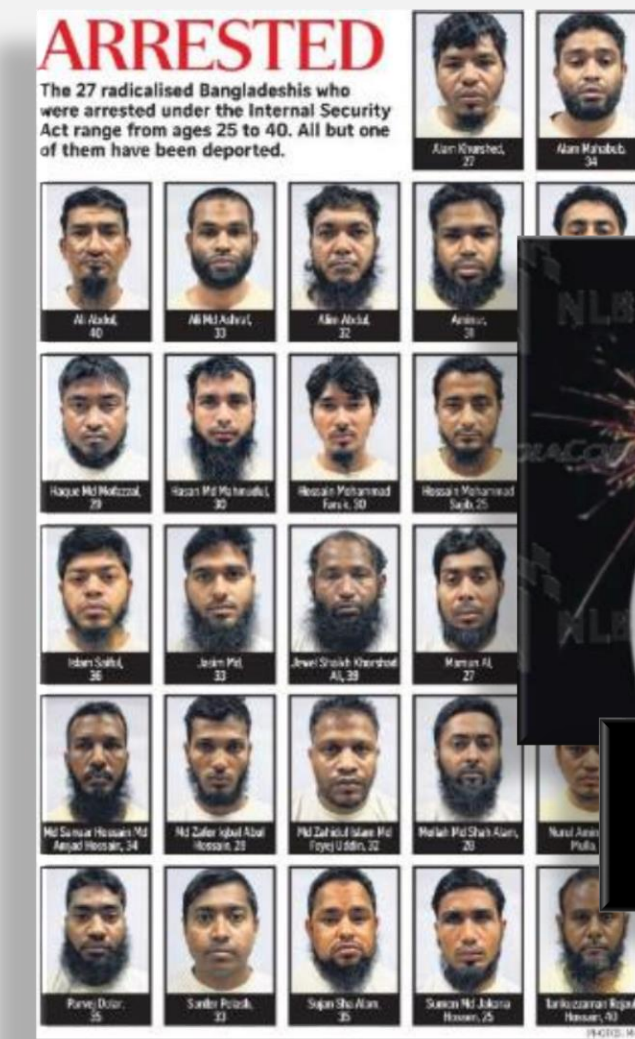


Willing hands to the rescue

I am very lucky to be alive. I can't remember much. It happened so fast. I was dressing to go out for lunch. I managed somehow to crawl along, and then I was pulled out by people.

— Mrs Kumaran

Hotel New World Collapse (1986)



Jl's bomb plot (2001)

Sars in Singapore: Race against time to battle deadly disease

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H1N1 cases hit 315; things will get worse



SARS (2003), H1N1 (2009)



Global Financial Crisis (2008)



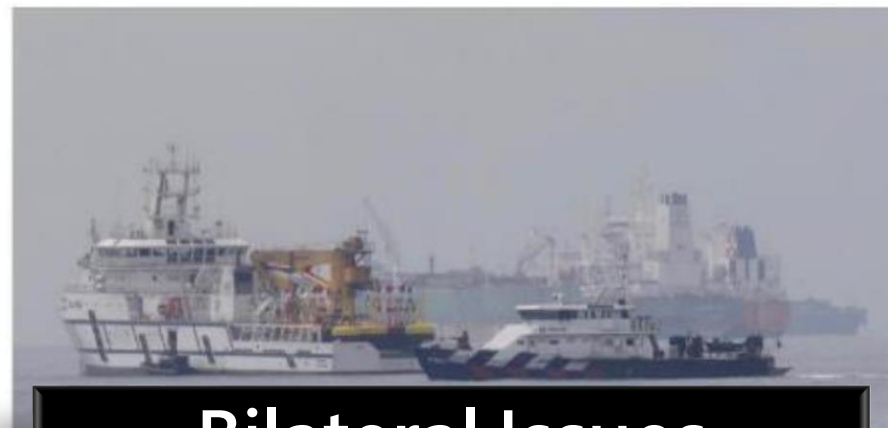


Racial Riots (1964)



Two M'sian government vessels anchored in S'pore's territorial waters off Tuas

By NICHOLAS KHONG



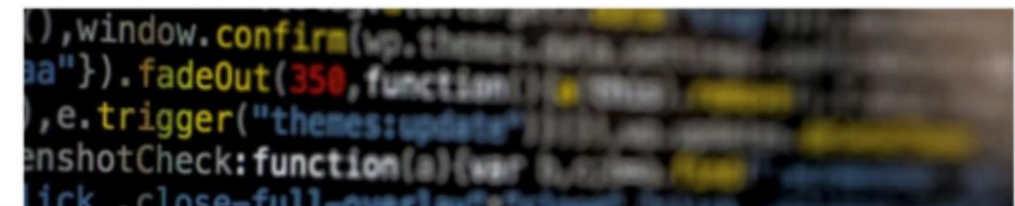
Bilateral Issues (2018-2019)

Singapore-Malaysia relations threaten to boil over as Mahathir makes splash about water prices

- The prime minister has aired a long-standing gripe over Singapore paying less than 1 US cent per 1,000 gallons of fresh water from Malaysia

Digital Threats (2018 – 2020)

Surge in cyber attacks in Singapore's education sector in April



SingHealth cyber attack: How it unfolded

In Singapore's worst cyber attack, hackers infiltrated the databases of SingHealth, the largest group of healthcare institutions here. The personal particulars of 1.5 million patients, including the outpatient prescriptions of Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong and a few ministers, were stolen.

What are some
challenges we will
continue to face?

Changing Demographics

S'pore must strengthen social compact, defy the global loss of social cohesion, polarisation and despair: Tharman

Weave multiracialism threads into S'pore tapestry that is 'stronger than sum of its parts': Edwin Tong

Geopolitical Tensions

ASEAN must maintain centrality amid geopolitical tensions: Chan Chun Sing

Digital Threats

6 in 10 people in Singapore have received fake COVID-19 news, likely on social media: Survey

'Digital virus' might be bigger threat than Covid-19: Heng Swee Keat

Security Threats

29 radicalised individuals dealt with under ISA in the past five years: Josephine Teo

Singapore's Home Team agencies on 'heightened alert' after terrorist attacks in Europe

Pandemics

The next pandemic is already on the horizon

Covid-19 is the Disease X that plunged the world into crisis in 2020. But as nations roll out vaccines developed in record time in the new year, the next unknown, unnamed entity may already be lurking.

Another COVID-19 cluster formed; 4 community cases among 30 new infections in Singapore

Economic Strains

Surviving supply chain shocks caused by Covid-19 pandemic

Challenges in sustainability could unravel global progress over past decades: Heng Swee Keat

Farm to fork: Local producers to meet 30 per cent of Singapore's nutritional needs by 2030

“When Total Defence started in 1984, it was still a concept, and an unproven one. It was an attempt to galvanise a population, Singaporeans, to come together to protect one another and our country (...) And today, Total Defence is a living ideal, where **Singaporeans will marshal their own resources and of others, and collectively give of themselves to the defence foundation.** We saw this in our fight against COVID-19. Frontline workers from all walks of life, including the SAF, braved the risks of infections to take care of the infected and contain the spread of the disease. (...)”

- Minister for Defence, Dr Ng Eng Hen for the Total Defence Awards 2020

How can each of us
continue to play a
part in Total Defence?



**MILITARY
DEFENCE**



**CIVIL
DEFENCE**



**ECONOMIC
DEFENCE**



**SOCIAL
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**DIGITAL
DEFENCE**



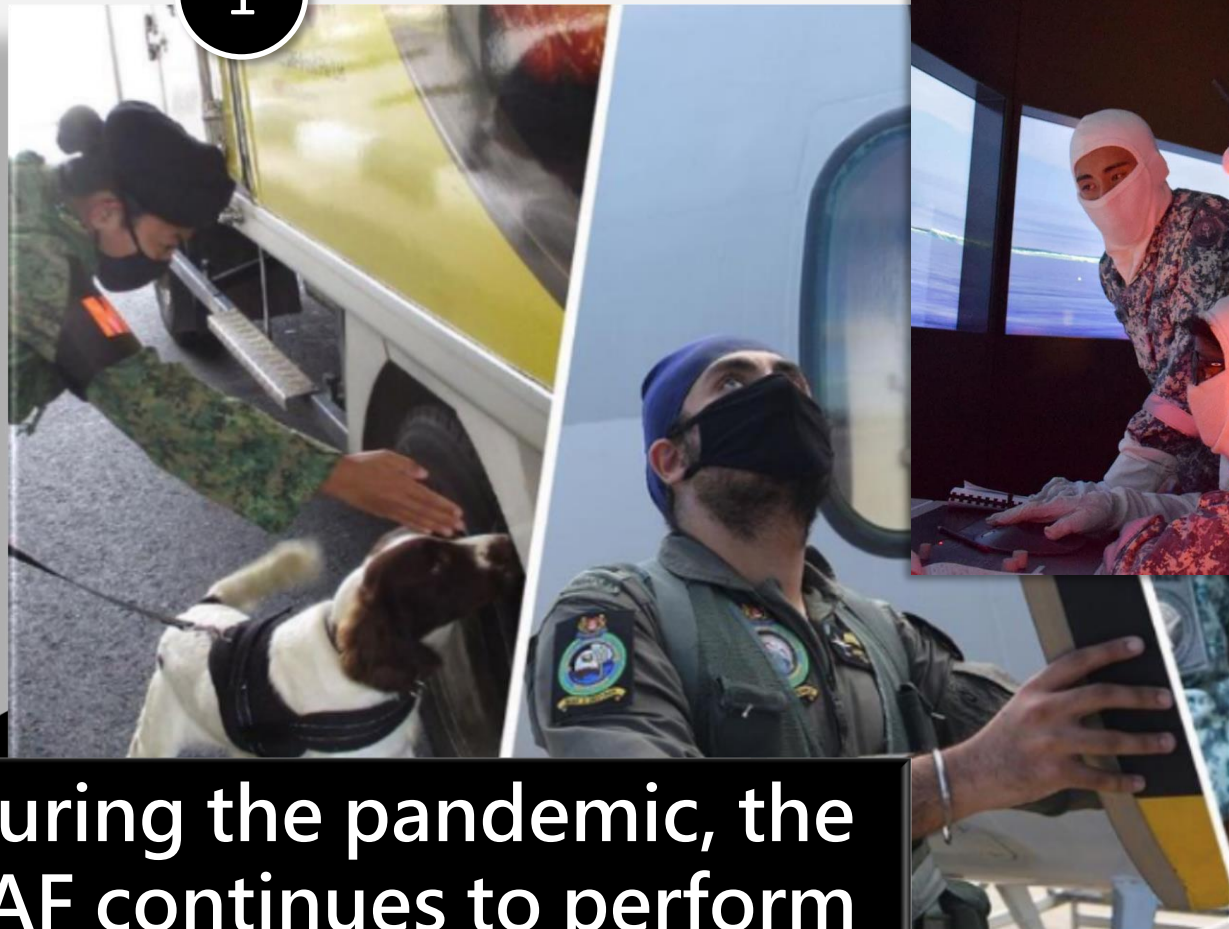
**PSYCHOLOGICAL
DEFENCE**



Military Defence is about keeping Singapore secure and to deter foreign intervention.

- Maintain high level of operational readiness
- Taking training seriously

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During the pandemic, the SAF continues to perform critical operations

2



Servicemen continue to take training seriously



Civil Defence is about taking care of our family, friends, and people around us in times of crisis.

- Stay vigilant against threats
- Be trained in first aid and CPR-AED
- Be socially responsible and follow government guidelines
- Learn emergency preparedness skills

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She performed CPR as a first responder and saved a stranger's life

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S'poreans complied with safe-distancing measures



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Neighbours sprang into action and helped put out a fire in a Punggol unit, where 6 residents were trapped



Economic Defence is about having a strong and resilient economy in the face of challenges such as changing economic forces, disrupted supply chains and climate change.

- Re-skill or re-train to adapt to evolving labour market
- Be financially prudent and save for a rainy day
- Support SG's food security efforts by choosing local produce
- Taking efforts to mitigate climate change

1



Many S'poreans strengthened existing skills and picked up new ones

2



Choosing local produce



Support climate sustainability



Social Defence is about social cohesion and looking out for one another beyond self-interest.

- Be understanding, accepting and appreciating of the different faiths, beliefs, values and practices
- Be accepting to diversity and open minded to people of different ethnicities, nationalities, gender, age and socio-economic statuses, including the differently-abled
- Help each other out when needed, regardless of differences in ethnicity or beliefs

1



S'poreans refurbish over 1,300 laptops for kids to do Home-Based Learning

2



NUS & NTU students deliver food to those on 14-day Leave of Absence daily



Digital Defence is about strengthening our defences against emerging and evolving threats from the digital domain.

- Teaching your grandparents to use technology
- Learn about cyber hygiene and data protection
- Fact-check information before passing it on



Senior S'poreans learn how to use a smart phone at the community club



NTU students create Sure Anot Campaign to combat fake news spreading among older S'poreans



Psychological Defence is when each Singaporean has the fighting spirit, will, and resilience to overcome any crisis together.

- Understand Singapore's history and principles that have helped Singapore succeed
- Be confident that Singapore will overcome any crisis by staying united and resilient
- Participate in and organise activities that promote shared understanding and a sense of belonging amongst Singaporeans

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S'poreans sing "Home" in unison from HDB flats to cheer frontliners

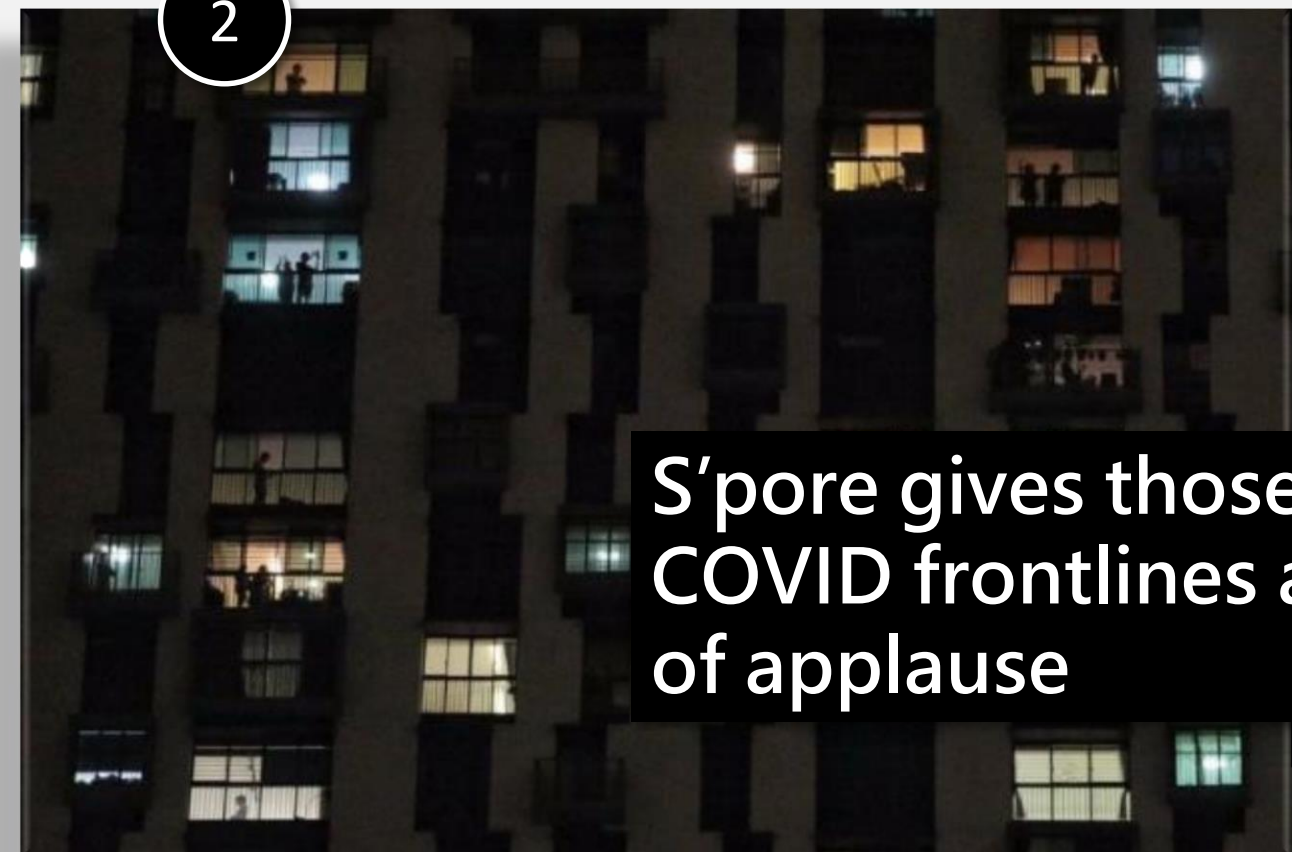


*There's a place that will stay within me
Wherever I may choose to go*

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S'pore gives those on COVID frontlines a round of applause



“... challenges do not define us. Our responses to challenges will define us. **We are never done building Singapore, neither will we be done strengthening Total Defence.** Through each and every of these challenges and crises that we face as a people and nation, **we will emerge stronger.**”

- Speech by Mr Chan Chun Sing, Minister for Trade and Industry at Total Defence Day Commemoration Event, 2020



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