

MOE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY 2026
WE LEARN FOR LIFE TOGETHER



How do we keep learning
meaningfully at every
stage of life?

From April 2026, MOE and SSG will **enhance the employer incentive for new cohorts of the ITE Work-Study Diploma.**

The ITE Work-Study Diploma is a key diploma upgrading pathway for ITE Nitec and Higher Nitec graduates.

The curriculum comprises:

~70-80%

On-the-job training
co-delivered by employers

~20-30%

Classroom learning
provided by ITE

This allows employed trainees to earn and learn simultaneously while upgrading to diploma qualification.

45
courses

offered by the programme
in 2025

1600
trainees

enrolled in 2025

“We hope that these enhancements will encourage more employers to come forward and build their talent pipelines, by offering meaningful training opportunities for our ITE graduates.”

**Senior Minister of State for Education
Dr Janil Puthucheary,
2026 Committee of Supply Debate**



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IMPROVING EMPLOYER INCENTIVES

Increasing the quantum to \$20,000

up from \$15,000 previously
per eligible trainee whom employers hire and train

Simplifying the incentive disbursement

The new \$20,000 incentive will be disbursed at several milestones over the course duration. This means an employer who sponsors an eligible trainee through the full Work-Study Programme will receive \$20,000 through a streamlined administrative process.

These enhancements better recognise employers' commitment to on-the-job training, and support their participation costs, including training expenses, course fee sponsorship, and salary payments during classroom learning.