

SUMMARY OF FEEDBACK FROM PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS ON SINGAPORE'S RAISED CLIMATE AMBITIONS

At Budget 2022, DPM Wong announced that Singapore will be raising our climate ambition to achieve net zero by or around mid-century, and will review our 2030 Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC). Since April 2022, government agencies have engaged more than 1,700 members of the public through dialogues, workshops, discussion sessions and REACH under the Singapore Green Plan 2030; including youths, green groups, academia, businesses from various sectors.

A. Businesses

Companies in emissions intensive trade exposed (EITE) sectors said that while many are working towards developing and implementing their long-term decarbonisation plans, companies also faced near-term challenges such as the relative immaturity of key decarbonisation pathways and the need for greater access to clean energy, which would need to be addressed in order for these businesses to remain competitive.

Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) were in favour of embarking on sustainability initiatives. While some industry leaders were in favour of driving sustainability amongst enterprises as they observed the greater global urgency in this regard, as well as agreeing with the need to decarbonise; some SMEs reflected that they do not currently face significant pressure from their stakeholders to embark on sustainability efforts and see limited benefits in doing so.

B. Green Groups / Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs)

Green Groups and NGOs engaged said they gained a better understanding of Singapore's constraints and limitations, and indicated a strong willingness to lead and contribute to ground-up efforts to support Singapore's net zero transition. Various representatives highlighted that more could be done to raise the general education, understanding and awareness of climate issues and the role that society can play.

C. Youths

Singaporean youths expressed strong support for Singapore's raised climate ambitions, and held the view that reducing carbon emissions should be one of Singapore's top priorities. They highlighted Public-Private Partnerships and Government support as key to achieving our net zero goals. Through these engagements, youths demonstrated curiosity and interest to take steps to reduce their own carbon emissions in lifestyles, or to contribute to doing so as part of their career development.

D. Individuals

We received 490 responses through the online public consultation via REACH on Singapore's climate ambition. Respondents said that individuals had a part to play in achieving Singapore's climate ambition, and that shifts in consumer behaviour would help send a positive signal to the Government and private sector.

For more details on the REACH Public Consultation, please refer to [Annex D2](#).