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On 2 November 2023, Assistant Commissioner of Police (AC) Masagoes Idris Hussain, Commander of Public Transport Security Command (TransCom), unveiled the first Police concept train at the Harbourfront MRT Station. He also presented the Public Spiritedness Award to a member of the public for assisting the Police in a case. Three organisations and eight staff were also commended for their strong community partnership with the Police.

Launch of Police Concept Train

TransCom launched the inaugural Police concept train at the Harbourfront MRT Station. The concept train seeks to create awareness on outrage of modesty or molestation cases on the public land transport network. Cautionary messages are displayed prominently on the floors as well as on the sides of the cabin's interior to warn would-be perpetrators of the consequences and penalties for committing the crime. This is the first of five concept trains to be rolled out and the initiative is expected to be fully implemented by February 2024. Similar themed messages focusing on the offence of taking upskirt photos or videos at the public land transport network would also be displayed on the platform screen doors and escalators of selected MRT stations and advertisement panels on selected bus interchanges (Refer to Annex A).

Case commended for Public Spiritedness Award

On 24 March 2023, Ms Lee Qing Lin, Karine was travelling up the escalator to the platform of Yishun MRT Station when she spotted a man purportedly holding his handphone under the skirt of a girl. Ms Karine confronted the man and immediately called the Police for assistance. The man was subsequently arrested.

Individuals commended for Community Partnership Award (Individual)

Eight staff were presented with the Community Partnership Award (Individual) in recognition of their contribution towards detecting and preventing crimes.

One of whom is Ms Mariammal Poniogody, a Transit Security Officer. On 4 April 2023, the victim was taking the down-riding escalator towards the platform of Orchard Boulevard MRT Station when she noticed a man squatting down allegedly with his phone near her skirt. The victim shouted for help and Ms Mariammal Poniogody assisted to detain the man. The man was subsequently arrested.

Organisations commended for Community Partnership Award (Organisation)

The following three organisations were commended for their close collaboration with Public Transport Security Command in enhancing crime prevention measures to prevent, deter and detect crime. In recognition of their significant contributions, they were presented with the Community Partnership Award (Organisation).

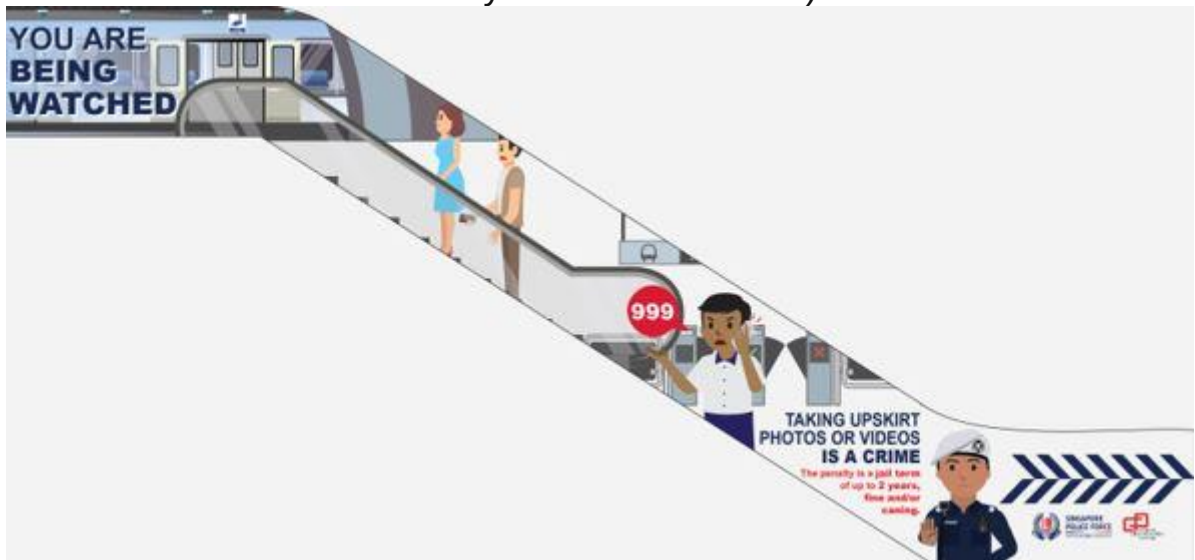
- Land Transport Authority
- SBS Transit
- SMRT Corporation

AC Masagoes Idris Hussain expressed his appreciation to the key stakeholders, Land Transport Authority, National Crime Prevention Council, SBS Transit and SMRT Corporation, for their strong support and partnership with the Police in rolling out the concept train initiative. He also thanked the award recipients for their unwavering commitment to keep our community safe and secure. He said, “The award recipients have made positive contributions in helping the Police to solve crime by being vigilant and their acts of public spiritedness. As fighting crime is a community effort, their efforts exemplified how the Police can work with the public in enhancing the overall safety and security of Singapore’s public land transport network.”

Refer to Annex B for photographs taken during the event.

Annex A

Artwork of crime prevention advisory on the escalator sides of Dhoby Ghaut, Paya Lebar and Serangoon MRT Stations (to be launched tentatively in December 2023) ▼



Annex B

Group photo of AC Masagoes Idris Hussain and representatives from the Land Transport Authority, NCPC, SBS Transit and SMRT Corporation Community Partnership Award (Organisation) ▼



Awarded to LTA, SBST and SMRT by AC Masagoes Idris Hussain ▼



Public Spiritedness Award recipient, Ms Lee Qing Lin, Karine and
Community Partnership Award (Individual) recipient, Ms Mariammal
Poniogody with
AC Masagoes Idris Hussain ▼



Group photos of award recipients with AC Masagoes Idris Hussain ▼



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