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MEDIA FACTSHEET

SG60: BUILDING OUR SINGAPORE TOGETHER

To mark the 60th year of Singapore's independence, Singaporeans can look forward to a host of activities throughout 2025 to celebrate our journey to date and shape the next chapter of the Singapore story.

2 The theme of SG60 is “**Building Our Singapore Together**”. This builds on the Forward Singapore exercise, in which Singaporeans affirmed their commitment to a renewed social compact. SG60 aims to **celebrate our nation-building journey and reflect on our shared values** of multiculturalism, boldness, resilience and openness¹ that have united us and allowed us to prosper against the odds over the past 60 years. It will also be an occasion to rally Singaporeans to build our future Singapore together.

3 Many major programmes in SG60 speak to these shared values and encourage Singaporeans to reflect, uphold and live out these values. Examples include Chingay, Exercise SG Ready, Singapore World Water Day, Racial & Religious Harmony Month, the Singapore Pavilion at The Expo 2025 in Osaka, and the World Aquatics Championships – Singapore 2025.

4 We also hope that SG60 programmes will rally Singaporeans **to build our future Singapore together** and be platforms to Connect, Contribute and show Care:

(i) Connect Singaporeans with one another

SG60 programmes aim to provide opportunities for meaningful connections, bringing Singaporeans together through shared experiences that transcend age, race, language and

¹ These are values underpinning the Founders' Memorial, which were informed through engagement with Singaporeans.

religion. Examples include the National Day celebrations, Project Citizens – The First Million, and GetActive! Singapore.

(ii) Contribute to our refreshed social compact under ForwardSG

Many SG60 programmes will offer opportunities for Singaporeans to partner with one another, as well as contribute ideas and co-create solutions to build the Singapore we want in the next chapter of our Singapore story. These include community engagement programmes for the World Aquatics Championships, where volunteers will be activated to help drive some of its activations, as well as engagements such as NYC and PA's SG60 Youth Engagements and URA's Draft Master Plan Exhibition. Individuals and organisations can also develop their own programmes and initiatives to celebrate and commemorate this milestone and what it represents.

(iii) Care for Others

SG60 is also an opportunity to show care for and give back to our community. There will be platforms for Singaporeans to donate and volunteer to support those in need, including a new nation-wide giving programme by Community Chest that will be rolled out in 2025. More details will be shared at a later date.

5 We encourage all Singaporeans to participate in the nation-wide programmes to commemorate our nation-building journey. The programmes will span sectors such as sustainability, sports and digital technology, while reaching diverse groups including youths, families and businesses. They include programmes that are familiar to Singaporeans but organised at a larger scale with new programme elements for SG60. Many corporates and community and ground-up groups are also planning their own efforts to mark SG60 in a meaningful way. Please see Annex for more details.

6 In commemorating SG60 together, we hope that Singaporeans can step forward and take action to make the lives of fellow Singaporeans better, partner with one another and contribute to building a stronger Singapore together.

7 For more information on SG60, including the SG60 logo and upcoming programmes, please visit the SG60 website: sg60.gov.sg.

Key SG60 programmes (in chronological order)

(Details are correct as of 4 Nov 2024 and may be subject to changes. Further updates on dates and programme details will be available in due course on the SG60 website: sg60.gov.sg)

S/N	Agency	Programme	Programme Details	Date
1	MCCY	ONE Countdown 2025	The first event to count down to SG60, ONE Countdown 2025 will ensure everyone can usher in the new year, with celebrations across the island, including at heartland sites.	31 December 2024 – 1 Jan 2025
2	NCSS	Community Chest	The new nation-wide giving programme will channel donations to help uplift the lives of children with special needs, at-risk youth, individuals living with mental health issues, adults with disabilities and seniors and families in need.	From January 2025
3	PA	Chingay	This is an annual People’s Parade organised by PA to celebrate Singapore’s multiculturalism. As part of SG60 celebrations, the theme of Chingay 2025 is “JOY” – reflecting on our shared journey/experiences that transcend ethnicity, language and age, in a more festive, people-parade form of performance. One component of it is to leverage on ‘Food’ to bring different groups together; uniting the community, family and nation as we look forward to our shared future. There will also be pre-Parade engagement where there are co-creation opportunities through programmes such as Chingay National Education Programme, PAssionArts x Chingay Community Floats and post-Parade engagement where public can continue to experience Chingay through Chingay@Heartlands celebrations held across the island over subsequent weekends.	January to March 2025



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4	NYC, PA	SG60 Youth Engagements (incl. FutureYOUth Movement)	Building on the Forward SG exercise, we will be engaging youths throughout 2025 on their aspirations for the future and how they can contribute to building a better Singapore for all. Starting from January 2025, youths will have the opportunity to participate in in-person conversations, roadshows, and digital engagements. They can also look forward to participating in themes and causes that they are passionate about, such as through the People's Association FutureYOUth Movement that covers Mental Health, Racial and Religious Harmony, and Sustainability and Environment.	January 2025 to December 2025
5	MINDEF	Exercise SG Ready	Exercise SG Ready is part of the annual Total Defence efforts to increase threat awareness and resilience among Singaporeans.	February 2025
6	PUB	Singapore World Water Day	Singapore World Water Day (SWWD) will include a myriad of water-centric events and activities that partners can participate in such as waterway clean-ups and tours, water rationing exercises, and learning journeys. It is celebrated across the island throughout the month of March and serves as a platform to encourage initiatives by the community to recognise the value of water and raise awareness on water conservation.	March 2025
7	NHB	Project Citizens – The First Million <i>Founders' Memorial's tribute to the founding generation</i>	Project Citizens – The First Million is an initiative of the Founders' Memorial to capture stories of Singapore's founding generation of citizens. These stories spark reflection on the values we share as citizens of multicultural Singapore, in our nation's early nation-building years and into the future. Launched in 2025 as part of SG60 and set to be a permanent feature of the Memorial, Project Citizens – The First Million pays tribute to Singapore's founding generation of citizens	April 2025 to March 2026



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			<p>alongside the Memorial's focus on founding leaders. Project Citizens – The First Million launches with 3 initiatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Engagement Programme (Apr 2025 to Mar 2026) gathers stories from seniors through structured activities and intergenerational conversations with volunteers, honouring their contributions to nation-building and encouraging reflection on values they exemplified. The programme will take place at various locations across Singapore in partnership with community organisations. • Founders' Memorial pop-up installations island-wide (Apr 2025 to Mar 2026) invites Singaporeans to share their stories and reflect on what it means to be citizens of multicultural Singapore. • Not Mere Spectators: The Makings of Multicultural Singapore (Oct 2025 to Mar 2026) is an experience held at the National Gallery Singapore that invites participants to reflect on the value of multiculturalism. <p>Through Project Citizens – The First Million, Singaporeans can continue to shape the content and curation of the Memorial, leading up to its opening in 2028.</p>	
8	STB	Singapore Pavilion at The Expo 2025, Osaka	Singapore is set to make its mark at World Expo 2025 in Osaka with its pavilion, 'The Dream Sphere'. The World Expo is a global gathering of nations dedicated to finding solutions to pressing challenges of our time. The World Expo is an important platform where we can engage overseas Singaporeans and friends of	April to October 2025



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			Singapore as our pavilion will profile Singapore enterprises and creative talents on a global stage. Expo 2025 is expected to attract more than 28 million visitors over 184 days and will allow Singapore to showcase our nation's story and innovative spirit through engaging programming and immersive experiences within the Singapore Pavilion.	
9	URA	Draft Master Plan 2025 Exhibition	The Draft Master Plan 2025 (DMP2025) Exhibition will showcase plans to guide Singapore's land use and development over the next 10 to 15 years. It is a culmination of a series of public engagements to seek ideas and feedback on a variety of plans and projects that will make Singapore a more liveable, inclusive and endearing home, where generations can fulfil their aspirations and thrive. The DMP2025 focuses on Shaping a Happy Healthy City, Enabling Sustainable Growth, Strengthening Urban Resilience and Stewarding Nature and Heritage. URA will be seeking further public feedback on the DMP2025 through the exhibition.	June 2025
10	MCCY	Racial and Religious Harmony Month	In celebration of Racial and Religious Harmony Month (RRHM), a dynamic array of events will be organised by Harmony Circles, in partnership with like-minded community partners such as schools, and other local stakeholders. These activities will include a national-level event, in collaboration with the Singapore Sports Hub as well as localised events such as sports, dialogues, learning journeys, carnivals, youth-driven initiatives, and intergenerational activities, while ensuring inclusivity for persons with disabilities. The overarching objectives of RRHM is to promote care, understanding and meaningful engagements among diverse groups and contribute towards a more harmonious Singapore.	June to July 2025



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11	MDDI, NLB	#Heart&Soul: Connected by Smart Nation showcase	"#Heart&Soul: Connected by Smart Nation" showcase is an immersive showcase of how a citizen's life can be transformed through digital and how digital can connect Singaporeans to our past, our future and to one another. It commemorates 10 years of Singapore's Smart Nation journey, bringing to life the collective future of Singapore.	Second half of 2025
12	Institute of Policy Studies (IPS) and Singapore Business Federation (SBF)	IPS - SBF SG60 International Conference "Global-City Singapore: SG60 and Beyond"	<p>IPS and SBF will organise a conference titled "Global-City Singapore: SG60 and Beyond" on 29 July 2025.</p> <p>The full programme, which includes a pre-conference forum, site visits to innovative businesses, and a day-long conference involving distinguished local and foreign speakers, will discuss the economic opportunities that Singapore can tap in the face of challenging trends acting on the global economy.</p> <p>The significance of this event is its signature, domestically and internationally, on what Singapore can do to maintain its resilience and achieve economic progress, with a sense of policy realism yet strategic boldness, and new ways to support an open, rules-based, multilateral trading system.</p>	July 2025
13	SportSG	GetActive! Singapore	GetActive! Singapore (GASG) is an annual event when Singaporeans from all walks of life come together to celebrate the Nation's birthday through sport. Launched by Sport Singapore in 2016, the upcoming 10th edition aims to be more meaningful and inclusive than ever, offering a diverse range of activities for all, catering to both the	July to August 2025



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			<p>general public and specific community segments, including children, youths, seniors, and persons with disabilities.</p> <p>In collaboration with key partners, the event will feature several highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pesta Sukan, an inclusive sport competition featuring over 20 sports for community athletes • An expanded programme for the inclusive sports competition, Play Inclusive • Nurture Kids Day Out, in partnership with the preschool sector • Youth@Play, a youth-focused sport festival • Seniors' Sports Day – ActiveX Playdate, an intergenerational bonding event between school children and seniors • Signature mass participation events • 3rd Majulah Fiesta happening at the Singapore Sports Hub 	
14	SportSG	World Aquatics Championships – Singapore 2025 (WCH)	<p>The World Aquatics Championships - Singapore 2025 will feature the world's best aquatic athletes, inspiring the Singapore spirit in celebration of SG60.</p> <p>The Championships is World Aquatics' premier event where six aquatics sports are contested: swimming, water polo, diving, artistic swimming, open water swimming and high diving. Singapore will be the first Southeast Asian country to host a World Aquatics Championships, with the 2025 event taking place from 11 July to 3 August at the Singapore Sports Hub and Sentosa. The Championships is expected to attract over 2,500 elite athletes from over 200 national federations.</p>	July to August 2025



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			Singapore will also host the World Aquatics Masters Championships – Singapore 2025, a mass participation event featuring the five aquatic sports of swimming, water polo, diving, artistic swimming and open water swimming. The Masters event is open to international and local participants aged 25 and above and is expected to attract approximately 6,000 competitors to Singapore.	
15	MINDEF (Lead), MOE, PA, EDB (Singapore Global Network)	National Day Celebrations	NDP 2025 will be held at the Padang, featuring highlights such as the mobile column, aerial display and fireworks. To enable more Singaporeans to take part in the historic 60th National Day celebrations, NDP2025 will extend the festivities to the Marina Bay area as well as the Heartlands. There will also be off-site celebrations in schools and Institutes of Higher Learning, as well as overseas celebrations supported by the Singapore Global Network.	August 2025
16	SportSG	World Para Swimming Championships 2025	Held in Asia for the first time, the World Para Swimming Championships is a testament to Singapore’s unwavering commitment to inclusivity. Para swimmers from over 60 nations will compete in Singapore.	October 2025
17	Enterprise Singapore	SWITCH – Singapore Week of Innovation & Technology (10th Anniversary)	The Singapore Week of Innovation and Technology (SWITCH) provides a global platform to catalyse meaningful collaborations between the local and global tech and innovation ecosystem, including leaders, entrepreneurs, creators, accelerators and investors. In its 10th edition in 2025, SWITCH will return with various initiatives and efforts such as the SLINGSHOT startup pitching sector finals and grand finals, a sectoral thought leadership stage, market	October 2025



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			access sessions, as well as industry exhibition showcases and roundtable sessions.	