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### MINISTRY OF LAW

#### OVERVIEW

##### Mission Statement

Advancing access to justice, the rule of law, the economy and society through policy, law and services.

##### Vision Statement

A Trusted Legal System; A Trusted Singapore.

#### FY2023 EXPENDITURE ESTIMATES

##### Expenditure Estimates by Object Class

Code	Object Class	Actual FY2021	Estimated FY2022	Revised FY2022	Estimated FY2023	Change Over FY2022	
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>\$403,918,324</b>	<b>\$287,016,200</b>	<b>\$277,539,600</b>	<b>\$315,726,600</b>	<b>\$38,187,000</b>	<b>13.8%</b>
	Main Estimates						
	<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>\$207,043,724</b>	<b>\$228,565,800</b>	<b>\$223,822,700</b>	<b>\$263,223,400</b>	<b>\$39,400,700</b>	<b>17.6%</b>
	<i>RUNNING COSTS</i>	<i>\$194,334,958</i>	<i>\$208,700,000</i>	<i>\$199,822,100</i>	<i>\$235,294,500</i>	<i>\$35,472,400</i>	<i>17.8%</i>
	<b>Expenditure on Manpower</b>	<b>\$58,074,498</b>	<b>\$65,880,300</b>	<b>\$61,513,900</b>	<b>\$70,677,000</b>	<b>\$9,163,100</b>	<b>14.9%</b>
1200	Political Appointments	1,311,621	1,436,900	1,749,000	1,749,000	0	0.0
1500	Permanent Staff	56,659,148	63,967,800	59,662,000	68,815,800	9,153,800	15.3
1600	Temporary, Daily-Rated & Other Staff	103,728	475,600	102,900	112,200	9,300	9.0
	<b>Other Operating Expenditure</b>	<b>\$127,577,646</b>	<b>\$129,419,300</b>	<b>\$126,577,100</b>	<b>\$155,265,800</b>	<b>\$28,688,700</b>	<b>22.7%</b>
2100	Consumption of Products & Services	123,821,444	120,240,500	118,674,200	144,301,800	25,627,600	21.6
2300	Manpower Development	780,338	1,786,200	1,435,000	2,759,300	1,324,300	92.3
2400	International & Public Relations, Public Communications	2,773,364	7,191,200	6,373,100	8,124,500	1,751,400	27.5
2700	Asset Acquisition	44,671	191,400	45,200	60,200	15,000	33.2
2800	Miscellaneous	157,829	10,000	49,600	20,000	-29,600	-59.7
	<b>Grants, Subventions &amp; Capital Injections to Organisations</b>	<b>\$8,682,815</b>	<b>\$13,400,400</b>	<b>\$11,731,100</b>	<b>\$9,351,700</b>	<b>-\$2,379,400</b>	<b>-20.3%</b>
3100	Grants, Subventions & Capital Injections to Statutory Boards	8,682,815	13,400,400	11,731,100	9,351,700	-2,379,400	-20.3
	<i>TRANSFERS</i>	<i>\$12,708,766</i>	<i>\$19,865,800</i>	<i>\$24,000,600</i>	<i>\$27,928,900</i>	<i>\$3,928,300</i>	<i>16.4%</i>
3600	Transfers to Institutions & Organisations	11,611,174	17,700,000	22,178,000	25,866,500	3,688,500	16.6
3800	International Organisations & Overseas Development Assistance	1,097,592	2,165,800	1,822,600	2,062,400	239,800	13.2
	<b>OTHER CONSOLIDATED FUND OUTLAYS</b>	<b>\$27,342,456</b>	<b>\$30,479,600</b>	<b>\$28,906,100</b>	<b>\$35,838,500</b>	<b>\$6,932,400</b>	<b>24.0%</b>
4100	Expenses on Land Sales	27,342,456	30,479,600	28,882,500	35,762,900	6,880,400	23.8

Code	Object Class	Actual FY2021	Estimated FY2022	Revised FY2022	Estimated FY2023	Change Over FY2022	
4600	Loans and Advances (Disbursement)	0	0	23,600	75,600	52,000	220.3
	Development Estimates						
	<b>DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>\$196,874,599</b>	<b>\$58,450,400</b>	<b>\$53,716,900</b>	<b>\$52,503,200</b>	<b>-\$1,213,700</b>	<b>-2.3%</b>
5100	Government Development	195,690,696	57,847,700	52,614,100	52,352,800	-261,300	-0.5
5200	Grants & Capital Injections to Organisations	1,183,903	602,700	1,102,800	150,400	-952,400	-86.4

## Establishment List

Category/Personnel	Actual FY2021	Estimated FY2022	Revised FY2022	Estimated FY2023
<b>POLITICAL APPOINTMENTS</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
Minister	2	2	2	2
Senior Parliamentary Secretary	0	0	1	1
<b>PERMANENT STAFF</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>565</b>
Administrative	9	9	9	9
Information Service (2008)	9	9	9	9
Legal	79	110	83	84
Management Executive Scheme (2008)	441	432	439	463
<b>OTHERS</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>528</b>
Singapore Land Authority	613	610	528	528
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,153</b>	<b>1,172</b>	<b>1,071</b>	<b>1,096</b>

## **FY2022 BUDGET**

The revised total expenditure of the Ministry of Law (MinLaw) (excluding agency fees for land sales and land-related expenditure) in FY2022 is estimated to be \$277.54 million, which is \$126.38 million or 31.3% lower than the actual FY2021 expenditure of \$403.92 million.

### ***Operating Expenditure***

The revised operating expenditure in FY2022 is estimated to be \$223.82 million, which is \$16.78 million or 8.1% higher than the actual FY2021 expenditure of \$207.04 million. The increase is mainly due to higher expenditure on manpower and operating grant expenditure.

### ***Development Expenditure***

The Ministry's development expenditure in FY2022 is estimated to be \$53.72 million, which is \$143.16 million or 72.7% lower than the actual FY2021 expenditure of \$196.87 million. The decrease in expenditure is mainly due to lower projected land acquisition and development expenditure in FY2022.

### ***Other Consolidated Fund Outlays***

The revised agency fees for land sales in FY2022 is \$28.88 million, an increase of \$1.54 million or 5.6% over the actual FY2021 expenditure of \$27.34 million, mainly due to a projected increase in land sales.

## **FY2023 BUDGET**

The total expenditure of MinLaw for FY2023 (excluding agency fees for land sales and land-related expenditure) is projected to be \$315.73 million, an increase of \$38.19 million or 13.8% from the revised FY2022 expenditure of \$277.54 million. Of the total projected FY2023 expenditure, \$263.22 million or 83.4% is for operating expenditure while \$52.50 million or 16.6% is for development expenditure.

### ***Operating Expenditure***

The FY2023 provision of \$263.22 million is an increase of \$39.40 million or 17.6% from the revised FY2022 operating expenditure of \$223.82 million. This increase is mainly due to higher expenditure on manpower and higher other operating expenditure.

### ***Development Expenditure***

The FY2023 development expenditure provision of \$52.50 million is a decrease of \$1.21 million or 2.3% from the revised FY2022 provision of \$53.72 million. The decrease is mainly due to lower development expenditure anticipated in FY2023 compared to revised FY2022.

### ***Other Consolidated Fund Outlays***

The total agency fees for land sales projected for FY2023 is \$35.76 million, an increase of \$6.88 million or 23.8% from the revised FY2022 provision of \$28.88 million. The agency fees for land sales are projected to be higher in FY2023 due to increase in sale of land sites expected.

## Total Expenditure by Programme

Code	Programme	Running Costs	Transfers	Operating Expenditure	Development Expenditure	Total Expenditure
R-A	Management and Policies	74,647,600	27,928,900	102,576,500	14,267,100	116,843,600
R-D	Appeals Board	482,200	0	482,200	0	482,200
R-E	Public Trustee	1,751,000	0	1,751,000	0	1,751,000
R-F	Registries of Moneylenders and Pawnbrokers	3,136,900	0	3,136,900	0	3,136,900
R-G	Insolvency	8,377,100	0	8,377,100	0	8,377,100
R-I	Legal Aid	30,547,700	0	30,547,700	0	30,547,700
R-J	Support Services	23,016,700	0	23,016,700	0	23,016,700
R-N	Lands and Properties Administration	91,584,600	0	91,584,600	38,236,100	129,820,700
R-O	Community Mediation	1,750,700	0	1,750,700	0	1,750,700
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$235,294,500</b>	<b>\$27,928,900</b>	<b>\$263,223,400</b>	<b>\$52,503,200</b>	<b>\$315,726,600</b>

## Development Expenditure by Project

Project Title	Total Project Cost	Actual Expenditure Up to end of FY2020	Actual FY2021	Estimated FY2022	Revised FY2022	Estimated FY2023
<b>DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE</b>	...	...	<b>\$196,874,599</b>	<b>\$58,450,400</b>	<b>\$53,716,900</b>	<b>\$52,503,200</b>
<i>GOVERNMENT DEVELOPMENT</i>	...	...	<i>195,690,696</i>	<i>57,847,700</i>	<i>52,614,100</i>	<i>52,352,800</i>
<b>Management and Policies Programme</b>						
Development of Legal Technology Platform	9,768,900	0	5,694,827	6,790,900	8,296,600	7,200,000
Public Defender's Office Case Management System	5,220,800	0	0	0	751,100	2,558,400
Minor Development Projects	...	...	5,099,619	7,721,800	2,331,200	4,358,300
<b>Lands and Properties Administration Programme</b>						
Restoration of Sultan Properties	6,210,000	2,838,219	1,536,834	578,700	190,000	60,000
Proposed Restoration works at 9 & 15 Stadium Link (former Kallang Airport)	8,981,300	2,565,880	3,094,359	983,800	3,046,000	1,711,500
Improving infrastructure of offshore islands	20,750,000	10,553,518	495,149	1,985,300	1,021,000	1,000,000
Remediation works at Kampong Bugis (aka: Additional funding for Remediation works at Kampong Bugis)	39,000,000	0	2,410,746	5,250,000	4,650,000	2,175,000
Land Essential Works	39,825,000	800,946	2,794,931	1,613,300	2,481,500	1,634,000
CPID	154,680,000	217,487	140,298,324	14,159,300	6,133,100	8,031,000
Restoration Works at No. 9 Shenton Way	14,340,000	0	0	0	20,000	435,500
Restoration Works at Tanjong Pagar Railway Station	48,990,000	0	0	0	5,000	909,500
Safeguarding public safety on offshore islands	15,260,000	0	50,410	604,000	443,200	1,300,000
Chong Pang Integrated Development	247,650,000	0	0	0	0	3,301,500
Building Essential Works for State Properties	84,450,000	0	11,190,618	0	11,876,600	4,057,000
Land Acquisition for General Development	0	9,682,270,811	16,278,724	9,809,500	9,809,500	9,664,200
Improvement to State Lands / Provision of Amenities	0	218,503,582	3,037,597	1,767,000	1,559,300	3,956,900
Completed Projects	...	...	3,708,560	6,584,100	0	0
<i>GRANTS &amp; CAPITAL INJECTIONS TO ORGANISATIONS</i>	...	...	<i>1,183,903</i>	<i>602,700</i>	<i>1,102,800</i>	<i>150,400</i>
<b>Management and Policies Programme</b>						
Minor Development Projects	...	...	1,183,903	602,700	1,102,800	150,400

## KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

### Desired Outcomes

- A sound and progressive legal framework;
- Access to legal help for low income residents;
- Accessible and effective community mediation services;
- An efficient public trustee system;
- A vibrant legal services sector;
- A sound and efficient insolvency regime;
- Optimal use of land resources;
- An efficient and reliable land titles registration system; and
- A robust intellectual property infrastructure.

### Key Performance Indicators

Desired Outcome	Performance Indicator	Actual FY2020	Actual FY2021	Revised FY2022	Estimated FY2023
1. A sound and progressive legal framework	World Ranking of Singapore's Rule of Law in the IMD's World Competitiveness Yearbook	12 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	Top 15
	World Ranking of Singapore's Justice in the IMD's World Competitiveness Yearbook	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	Top 15
	World ranking of Singapore's legal framework in the WEF's Global Competitiveness Report - Settling Disputes	NA <sup>1</sup>	NA <sup>1</sup>	NA <sup>1</sup>	Top 5
2. Access to legal help for low income residents	% of cases where processing of new aid application is completed within 4 months of registration <sup>2</sup>	94	97	100 <sup>3</sup>	>95
3. Accessible and effective community mediation services	Settlement rate of cases mediated by the Community Mediation Centre (%) <sup>2</sup>	85	84 <sup>4</sup>	78 <sup>3</sup>	>75
4. An efficient public trustee system	% of beneficiaries of un-nominated CPF monies and small estates who received the distribution from Public Trustee within four weeks of receipt of complete documentation and monies	95.7	96.4 <sup>4</sup>	96.0 <sup>5</sup>	>95
5. A vibrant legal services sector	Nominal value-add of the legal services sector (\$ billions) <sup>2</sup>	2.25 <sup>6</sup>	2.44	NA <sup>7</sup>	2.59
6. A sound and efficient insolvency regime	% of discharged bankruptcy cases where all dividends are paid to creditors within 4 weeks of discharge	93.9	99.6 <sup>4</sup>	98.5 <sup>3</sup>	>95
7. Optimal use of land resources	Utilisation rate of State land available for use (%)	90.9	92.3 <sup>4</sup>	91.5 <sup>3</sup>	95.0
	Occupancy rate of usable state properties managed (%)	98.4	99.0 <sup>4</sup>	99.0 <sup>3</sup>	95.0
8. An efficient and reliable land titles registration system	[Performance indicator to be determined] <sup>8</sup>	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
9. A robust intellectual property infrastructure	World ranking of Singapore's intellectual property protection in the WEF's Global Competitiveness Report	NA <sup>1</sup>	NA <sup>1</sup>	NA <sup>1</sup>	Top 3

<sup>1</sup> Global Competitiveness Report put on hold by WEF

<sup>2</sup> KPI published on CY not FY basis

<sup>3</sup> Current estimate

<sup>4</sup> Revised from previous published figure

<sup>5</sup> Current estimate based on the average of last 3 years as the data is not available due to system migration

<sup>6</sup> Revised by DOS from previous published figure

<sup>7</sup> Pending publication by DOS

<sup>8</sup> The previous performance indicator has been removed as the publication of "World Bank Doing Business Survey" has discontinued.