



IMPACT OF COVID-19

Economic Outlook

- ❖ The spread of COVID-19 has accelerated, and is now a global pandemic
- ❖ Global economy is now facing a supply and demand shock – supply chains have been disrupted and aggregate demand has fallen
- ❖ At Budget 2020, 2020 growth forecast was between -0.5% to 1.5%
- ❖ Growth forecast now expected to be between -4.0% and -1.0%



Resilience Budget

- ❖ Save jobs, support workers, protect livelihoods
- ❖ Help enterprises overcome immediate challenges
- ❖ Strengthen economic and social resilience so we can emerge intact and stronger



FISCAL IMPACT

Strategic Use of Past Reserves

- ❖ Our Past Reserves are our strategic asset, and reserved for very exceptional situations
- ❖ The President has given in-principle approval to draw on Past Reserves for COVID-19 measures, given the exceptional circumstances



Budget Position

- ❖ FY2019: \$1.7 billion deficit (0.3% of GDP)
- ❖ FY2020: \$39.2 billion deficit (7.9% of GDP)



SAVING JOBS, SUPPORTING WORKERS, PROTECTING LIVELIHOODS

Wage and Jobs Support Measures

- ❖ Enhance and extend Jobs Support Scheme (JSS)
- ❖ Self-Employed Person (SEP) Income Relief Scheme
- ❖ Enhance and extend SEP Training Support Scheme
- ❖ Enhance Workfare Special Payment
- ❖ SGUnited Traineeships
- ❖ SGUnited Jobs
- ❖ Greater flexibility for ComCare applications
- ❖ Temporary Relief Fund
- ❖ COVID-19 Support Grant



Support for Households

- ❖ Enhance Care and Support Package
- ❖ Greater flexibility on Government fees and loans



EMERGING STRONGER

Resilience and Recovery Measures

- ❖ Ensure a stable supply of essential health supplies and food commodities
- ❖ Enhance SG Together Enhancing Enterprise Resilience (STEER) programme
- ❖ Enhance SMEs Go Digital Programme
- ❖ Enhance Productivity Solutions Grant
- ❖ Enhance Enterprise Development Grant
- ❖ Extend the enhanced training support, and to more sectors
- ❖ Early use of SkillsFuture Credits
- ❖ Broaden range of physical distancing measures, if needed
- ❖ Support businesses participating in SG Clean



SUPPORTING BUSINESSES

Cash Flow, Cost and Credit Support Measures

- ❖ Defer income tax payments
- ❖ Enhance Property Tax Rebate
- ❖ Enhance rental waivers
- ❖ No increases in government fees and charges
- ❖ Enhance Enterprise Financing Scheme – Trade Loan and SME Working Capital Loan
- ❖ Enhance Loan Insurance Scheme
- ❖ Expand and enhance Temporary Bridging Loan Programme



Support for Affected Sectors

- ❖ Enhance JSS for aviation sector
- ❖ Enhance aviation support package
- ❖ Enhance JSS for tourism-related industries
- ❖ Additional support for tourism industry
- ❖ Enhance JSS for food services sector
- ❖ Extend and enhance Point-to-Point Support Package
- ❖ Road tax rebate and waiver of bus parking charges
- ❖ Arts and Culture Support Package

