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Minister for Home Affairs and Minister for Social and Family Development,

The Taskforce on Family Violence was set up in February 2020 to develop a comprehensive understanding of the family violence landscape in Singapore, and to bring together various stakeholders to jointly develop recommendations to tackle family violence.

2. The Taskforce submits a Report with 16 recommendations to improve immediate support for victims, enhance protection for them, hold perpetrators accountable while ensuring they receive treatment and rehabilitation and raise awareness of early warning signs of family violence. The Taskforce also recognises that community stakeholders and the Government would require resources and time to build sufficient capability and capacity to implement these changes effectively.

3. We hope that the Taskforce's Report and its recommendations will help chart a way forward to break the cycle of family violence and galvanise the community to work together with the Government to tackle family violence. We believe the implementation of these recommendations will contribute towards a safe environment for the family and children at home.

4. Members of the Taskforce comprise various stakeholders in the family violence domain, including social service agencies, non-governmental organisations, the Courts, hospitals, and Government agencies. The Taskforce has also engaged other stakeholders who work, directly or indirectly, with family violence survivors and perpetrators, including frontline responders, psychologists, social workers, lawyers, women's organisations, and advocacy groups.

5. The Taskforce submits a Report with 16 recommendations to improve immediate support for victims, enhance protection for them, prevent violence from recurring and raise awareness of early warning signs. The Taskforce also recognises that community stakeholders and the Government would require resources and time to build sufficient capability and capacity to implement these changes effectively.

6. We hope for the Taskforce's Report and its recommendations to serve as a guide for the community and Government's efforts to tackle family violence moving forward, and we believe the implementation of these recommendations will help to tackle family violence, and also contribute to Singapore being a caring, just, and equal society.

7. It has been a privilege serving on the Taskforce, and we look forward to the continued work to tackle family violence in Singapore.



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