

SINGAPORE'S JOURNEY : BUILDING FOOD SECURITY

13 TO 17 NOVEMBER 2017

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SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME

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**SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME TRAINING AWARD /
SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES TECHNICAL COOPERATION
PROGRAMME**

to be conducted by the

**NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY –
COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Singapore Cooperation Programme

Singapore has provided technical assistance to other developing countries since the 1960s. As a country whose only resource is its people, Singapore believes that human resource development is vital for economic and social progress. Singapore itself has benefited from training provided by other countries and international organisations.

In 1992, the Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP) was established to bring together under one framework the various technical assistance programmes offered by Singapore. Through the SCP, the range and number of training programmes were increased to share Singapore's development experience with other developing countries.

To date, Singapore has sponsored training courses and study visits for over 115,000 officials from more than 170 countries. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Nanyang Technological University – College of Professional and Continuing Education

Nanyang Technological University (NTU) is the fastest-rising university in the world's Top 50 and ranked 11th globally. NTU is also placed 1st amongst the world's best young universities. Hailing from 80 countries, the university's 4,300-strong faculty and research staff bring dynamic international perspectives and years of solid industry experience.

NTU established the College of Professional and Continuing Education (PaCE College) to consolidate education and training capabilities and expertise within the university. PaCE College draws upon NTU's world-renowned faculty and strong industrial connections to support working adults to update, upgrade and upskill in their journey to attain their professional goals and personal education aspirations.

Course Objectives

This course aims to provide participants with a better understanding of food security issues worldwide and how Singapore seeks to ensure access to safe, nutritious and affordable food from the early years till now. This course will also allow participants to discuss the risks and solutions for food security so as to empower them to design and implement roadmaps for sustainable food security for their citizens.

Synopsis

The 5-day programme will comprise the delivery of a systematic curriculum and relevant course materials that will be used for interactive discussions in the classroom.

Topics to be covered include:

- Challenges and trends of food security in the region and globally.
- Overview of Singapore's history in building food security. Meeting the goals of food security in Singapore's early development.
- Singapore's experiences and policies in managing food security issues in the 21st century.
- Supporting and enabling strategies for food security in the medium to long run to support the core strategies of the food security plan.
- Role of Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority of Singapore (AVA) and Food Security Roadmap for Singapore.

Methodology

To enhance the output of the program and to crystallize the knowledge gained by participants, there will be discussion with government officials and policy makers on how they can incorporate the knowledge gained into their approaches in food security in their own national context.

There will also be presentations and panel discussions with participants on building food security roadmap and meeting the goals of food security in the participants' own national context.

Field visits to relevant sites and briefings by government officials involved in actual projects to understand Singapore's experiences in ensuring and managing food security will also be included.

Duration

The course will be held from **13 to 17 November 2017**.

Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Senior-level officials involved in policy making and public administration of food and agricultural programme in the public sector;
- Nominated by their respective Governments;
- Proficient in written and spoken English; and
- In good health.

Terms of Award

The course is sponsored by the Government of Singapore under the Singapore Cooperation Programme Training Award and the Small Island Developing States Technical Cooperation Programme.

Under this programme arrangement, the Government of Singapore will bear the following expenses for the successful applicants (thereafter known as participants) during their training in Singapore. These expenses include:

- A daily training allowance of One Hundred and Twenty Singapore Dollars (S\$120) from first day to last day of the course to cover meals and daily expenses. [Complimentary breakfast is provided in the hotel from the first day to one day after the course.]
- Transportation to course venue and site visits;
- Medical insurance for participants to cover accident and hospitalisation during their stay in Singapore in accordance with the policy of a local insurance company; and
- Accommodation for the entire duration of the course.

Note:

- (i) The nominating government will be responsible for its participants' round-trip airfares.
- (ii) Participants are to bear their personal miscellaneous expenses that might be incurred prior to receiving the allowance.

- (iii) Any expenses for out-patient medical/dental treatment will be borne by the participants themselves.

Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- (a) Strictly observe course schedules and not miss training sessions.
- (b) Not bring any member of their family and/or aide for the duration of the course.
- (c) Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating Authority or the Government of Singapore with respect to the course.
- (d) Refrain from engaging in political activities, or any form of employment for profit or gain while in Singapore.
- (e) Discontinue the course, in the event they fall seriously ill and are considered unable to continue the training or have committed an improper act.
- (f) Return to their respective home countries upon completion of the course.

Application Procedure

(Closing date for nomination: **2 October 2017**)

The Government of Singapore is pleased to invite the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance to nominate **one (1)** suitable applicant. Selection of candidates will be based on merit. Should there be more applicants than training places, the Government of Singapore seeks the understanding of the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance in the event that its nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominations are to be submitted by the respective Government Institutions using the official Application Form. The application forms should reach the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore** through the National Focal Point and the Singapore Embassy in the nominating country not later than **Monday, 2 October 2017**.

Please address the forms to:

Director-General
Technical Cooperation Directorate
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore
Tanglin
Singapore 248163

Attn: **Mr Khairul Anwar**
Tel: **(65) 6379 8467**
E-mail: **K_Anwar_A_WAHAB@mfa.gov.sg**

- To expedite the process, a copy of the completed application forms can be scanned and sent via e-mail to the **email address stated above**. The original application forms can be mailed through diplomatic or normal channels.
- All application forms should be completed in full and **must** bear the endorsement of the respective Ministry of Foreign Affairs or National Focal Point for technical assistance.
- Incomplete application forms or forms which are not endorsed will not be accepted.
- Applicants should refrain from making telephone and email inquiries on the status of their applications.
- The **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore** will inform all applicants of the outcome of their applications. The National Focal Point will also be informed directly or through Singapore's diplomatic representations in the nominating country.
- Flight arrangements are to be made only upon receipt of the Letter of Acceptance to the course.

Information on Singapore

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