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## **Press Release**

### **Public Service Week 2012**

This year, Public Service Week will take place from 21 May to 27 May for more than 130,000 public officers working in 15 Ministries and more than 50 Statutory Boards in the Singapore Public Service.

Started in 2008 as an annual event to build in public officers a sense of pride and belonging to the Public Service, Public Service Week reminds officers of the important role they play in nation building, and the need to serve with dedication and commitment. Public Service Week is also a time to recognise the good work of public officers and agencies, as well as members of the public who have been helpful and made significant contributions as customers.

Themed "*Serving the nation and proud of it*", Public Service Week 2012 will be marked with a series of activities for public officers, which include observance ceremonies, learning journeys, a tea reception at Istana and an awards ceremony.

This year's Public Service Week Message from Deputy Prime Minister, Coordinating Minister for National Security & Minister for Home Affairs, Mr Teo Chee Hean, who is also Minister in charge of the Civil Service, will be delivered via a video to be screened at the public agencies' observance ceremonies, where officers will also renew their commitment to serve Singapore and Singaporeans through the Public Service pledge.

The annual *Excellence in Public Service Awards Ceremony* will be held on 25 May with DPM Teo Chee Hean as the Guest of Honour. He will present 117 awards to public officers and agencies in recognition of their service and organisational excellence, as well as to members of the public who have made significant contributions as customers.

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