GROWING OUR ECONOMY AND EQUIPPING OUR WORKERS



Supporting Businesses

Developing Local Enterprises

- Set aside \$1 billion to provide customised support for promising local companies under Singapore **Global Enterprises** initiative
- Additional \$150 million via **SME Co-Investment Fund** to invest in promising SMEs



Building Capabilities and Anchoring Quality Investments

Top up \$4 billion to **National Productivity Fund** and expand scope to support investment promotion

Nurturing and Sustaining Innovation

• Introduce Enterprise Innovation Scheme to support businesses' innovation activities via enhanced tax deductions/allowances, with a cash conversion option

Dealing with Cost Pressures

 Extend Enterprise Financing Scheme enhancements till 31 Mar 2024 to facilitate access to credit:

- 70% Government risk-share for trade loans
- Enhanced maximum quantum for trade and working capital loans
- Support for domestic construction projects via project loans





Supporting Workers

Integrate Training and Job Placement

 Pilot Jobs-Skills Integrators in Precision Engineering, Retail, and Wholesale Trade sectors to bring together key players to develop industry-relevant training and facilitate job matching



Enhance Employment Support

- Top up \$2.4 billion to Progressive Wage Credit Scheme fund for lower-wage workers, and maintain higher Government co-funding share of eligible wage increases in 2023:
 - Wages up to \$2,500: increase from 50% to 75%
 - Wages above \$2,500 and up to \$3,000: increase from 30% to 45%
- - Extend Senior Employment Credit and Part-time Re-employment Grant for senior workers till 2025 to continue providing wage offsets, and encourage employers to offer flexible work arrangements and structured career planning
 - Enhance Enabling Employment Credit to encourage employment of persons with disabilities
 - Introduce Uplifting Employment Credit to encourage employment of ex-offenders

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