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**Annex A**

### Fare Savings for Polytechnic and Other Diploma Students

Distance	Basic Fare Per Ride (cent)					
	Card			Cash (for travel on bus only)		
	Adult	Student	Saving	Adult	Student	Saving*
Up to 3.2 km	92	42	50	170	85	85
3.3 km – 4.2 km	102	47	55	190	85	105
4.3 km – 5.2 km	112	52	60	190	85	105
5.3 km – 6.2 km	122	57	65	190	85	105
6.3 km – 7.2 km	131	60	71	210	105	105
7.3 km – 8.2 km	138	63	75	210		105
8.3 km – 9.2 km	144		81	210		105
9.3 km – 10.2 km	148		85	230		125
10.3 km – 11.2 km	152		89	230		125
11.3 km – 12.2 km	156		93	250		145
12.3 km – 13.2 km	160		97	250		145
13.3 km – 14.2 km	164		101	250		145
14.3 km – 15.2 km	168		105	250		145
15.3 km – 16.2 km	172		109	260		155
16.3 km – 17.2 km	176		113	260		155
17.3 km – 18.2 km	180		117	260		155
18.3 km – 19.2 km	184		121	260		155
19.3 km – 20.2 km	187		124	270		165
20.3 km – 21.2 km	190		127	270		165
21.3 km – 22.2 km	193		130	270		165
22.3 km – 23.2 km	196		133	270		165
23.3 km – 24.2 km	198		135	280		175
24.3 km – 25.2 km	200		137	280		175
25.3 km – 26.2 km	202		139	280		175
26.3 km – 27.2 km	203		140	280		175
27.3 km – 28.2 km	204		141	280		175
28.3 km – 29.2 km	205		142	280		175
29.3 km – 30.2 km	206		143	280		175
30.3 km – 31.2 km	207		144	280		175
31.3 km – 32.2 km	208		145	280		175
32.3 km – 33.2 km	209		146	280		175
33.3 km – 34.2 km	210		147	280		175
34.3 km – 35.2 km	211		148	280		175
35.3 km – 36.2 km	212		149	280		175
36.3 km – 37.2 km	213		150	280		175
37.3 km – 38.2 km	214		151	280		175
38.3 km – 39.2 km	215		152	280		175
39.3 km – 40.2 km	216		153	280		175
Over 40.2 km	217		154	280		175

\* Saving is applicable for bus journey only. Single trip ticket fares apply for train journey.

# Student fares are capped for journeys beyond 7.2 km.

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**Fare Adjustment Formula**

**(Announced in Press Release dated 22 March 2018)**

$0.5cCPI + 0.4WI + 0.1EI - 0.1\% + NCF$   
 2019 maximum allowable fare adjustment quantum = 7.0%

**Core Consumer Price Index (cCPI):** the change in core Consumer Price Index over preceding year; 1.7% in 2018.

**Wage Index (WI):** the change in Average Monthly Earnings (Annual National Average) over the preceding year, adjusted to account for any change in the employer’s CPF contribution rate; 3.5% in 2018.

**Energy Index (EI):** the change in Energy Index which is a composite of cost changes in electricity and diesel; 32.3% in 2018.

**0.1%:** Productivity Extraction factor set for 2018 to 2022.

**Network Capacity Factor (NCF):** the change in NCF over preceding year, which means capacity provision relative to passenger demand for the entire public transport system; 1.6% in 2018

1. The Public Transport Council (PTC), in deciding the fare adjustment this year, was guided by the fare formula applicable from 2018 to 2022. The maximum allowable fare adjustment quantum to be considered for this year’s exercise is 7.0%. PTC has decided to grant the fare formula output of 7.0% in full.

2. The fare adjustment formula protects the interests of commuters by capping the adjustment, rather than leaving it to the operators to pass all costs through to commuters to bear. The fare formula output is contingent on the movement of its component indices.

**Enhancement in Concession for Polytechnic and Other Diploma Students**

3. Other than the Monthly Concession Pass, polytechnic and other diploma students currently do not enjoy discounted trip fares. As part of the Fare Review Exercise, the concession for polytechnic and other diploma students will be enhanced. With effect from 28 December 2019, polytechnic and other diploma students will enjoy the same discounted trip fares as other students.

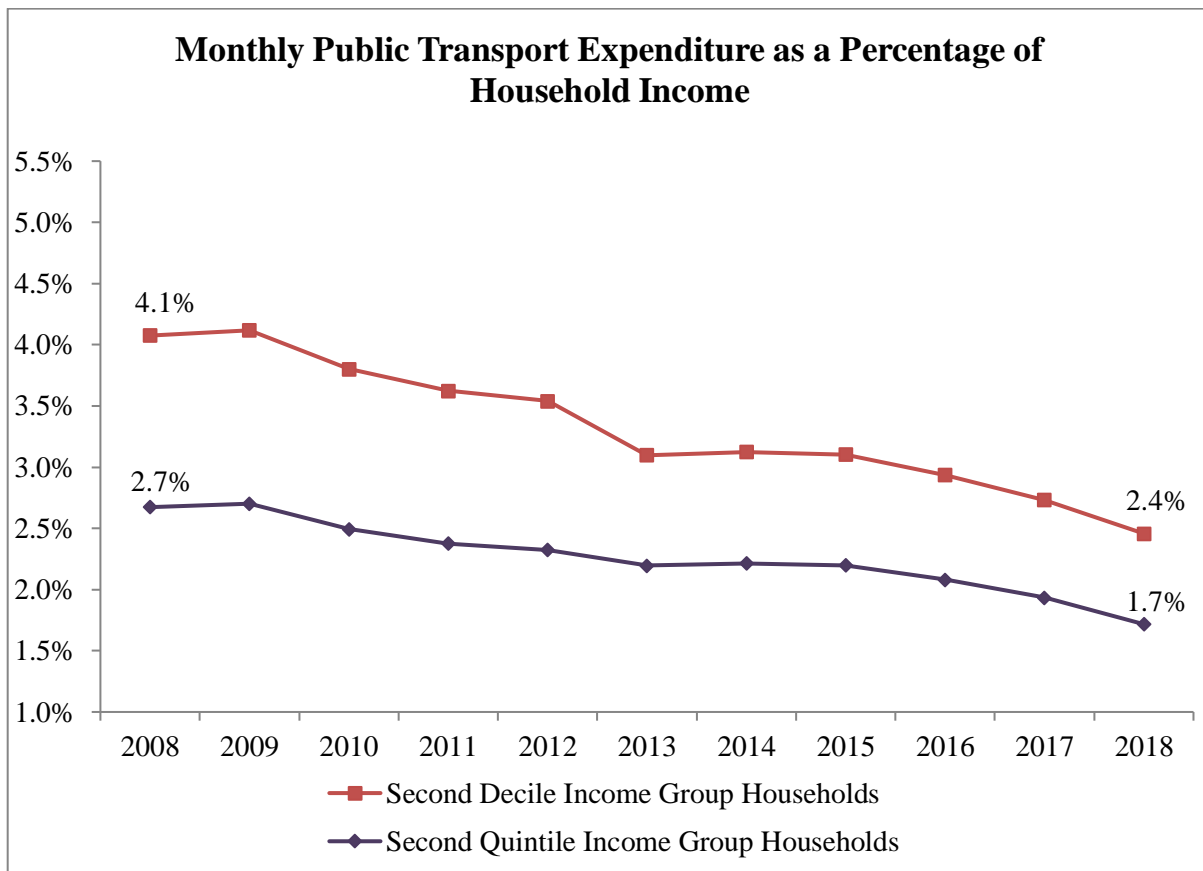
**Public Transport Fare Affordability**

4. Affordability of public transport fares is tracked by the PTC to ensure that fares remain affordable. Fare affordability is tracked for the second quintile income group households representing the average public transport user, as well as the second decile income group households representing the lower-income public transport user<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> Statistically, deciles are groups of data that divide a sample of data into ten groups (or ten deciles) based on a particular variable. The first decile refers to the lowest 10th percentile group; the second decile refers to the 11<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> percentile group, and so on. The bottom 60% of households by income make up the majority of public transport users. As such, the second quintile households (21<sup>st</sup> – 40<sup>th</sup> percentile) are taken to represent the average or typical public transport commuter, and second decile households (11<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> percentile) are taken to represent the lower-income public transport user.

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5. Public transport fares continue to stay affordable on the back of consecutive fare reductions as well as increases in wages. The indicators for second quintile households and second decile households show similar downtrends from 2008 to 2018 (Fig. 1). These households have been spending proportionately less of their monthly income on public transport fares in recent years, i.e. public transport has become more affordable for these groups.



*Fig.1 Public Transport Affordability Indicator*

### **Impact on Commuters**

6. For adult commuters using fare cards, fares will be adjusted by 9 cents per journey. Senior citizen and student concession card fares will be adjusted by 4 cents per journey.

7. Single trip ticket for train and bus cash fares will be adjusted by 20 cents.

### **Monthly Concession Passes**

8. The prices of all Monthly Concession Passes will see adjustments, ranging from \$1 to \$5.50. The price of Adult Monthly Travel Passes will increase by \$8.

### **Public Transport Fund**

9. To ensure that resources are available for those who need help coping with the upward fare adjustment, the PTC, since 2013, had recommended mandatory contributions by the public transport operators to the Public Transport Fund in years with upward fare adjustments. In doing so, the public transport operators share their gains with commuters. Taking into account the rail operators' poor financial position this year, the PTC has decided that SBS Transit and SMRT Trains should contribute 10% and 5% of their expected increase in fare revenue to the Public Transport Fund respectively, i.e. \$1.88 million for SBS Transit and \$2.01 million for the SMRT.

10. \$22.5 million will be required to fund 450,000 Public Transport Vouchers (PTVs) worth \$50 each, to help needy families cope with the fare adjustment. To ensure that the Public Transport Fund is sufficient to support this scheme, we note that the Government will be making a top-up of around \$6 million.

### **Impact on Public Transport Operators**

11. The overall fare adjustment of 7% translates to an increase in fare revenue of about \$132.5 million a year. The increase in annual revenue for SBS Transit Rail and SMRT Trains is about \$18.8 million and \$40.2 million, respectively.

12. Bus fare revenues will increase by about \$73.5 million. The additional revenue is ultimately channelled to the Government and used to offset bus operating subsidies, estimated to be about \$1 billion a year currently.

### **Highlights of Public Transport Operators' Applications**

13. SBS Transit cited that their rail operations have been facing significant cost pressures since 2013 as a result of the Downtown Line operation. Manpower cost has been rising due to the increase in headcount and salary adjustment to attract and retain staff. SBS Transit had applied for a fare adjustment of 7%. Overall, SBS Transit's train division has lost tens of millions of dollars in its latest reported financial year.

14. Similarly, SMRT Trains applied for a fare adjustment of 7% citing increasing operating costs for their rail operations. Maintenance-related expenditure, and repair and maintenance costs, in particular, accounted for 71% of rail fare revenue in FY2019, up from 62% in FY2018, as a result of intensified and comprehensive maintenance efforts. For FY2019, SMRT Trains recorded a net loss after tax of \$155 million, compared to a net loss after tax of \$86 million recorded in FY2018.

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**Annex C**

- Adult card fares will increase by 9 cents per journey.
- Senior citizen and student concession card fares will increase by 4 cents per journey.
- Single trip ticket for train and bus cash fares will increase by 20 cents.

**TRAIN FARES (w.e.f. 28 December 2019)**

a) Adult Fare Structure (MRT and LRT)

Distance	Fare Per Ride (cent)					
	Card				Single Trip Ticket	
	Current		Approved		Current	Approved
	Tap in Before 7.45 am	Tap in at All Other Timings	Tap in Before 7.45 am	Tap in at All Other Timings		
Up to 3.2 km	33	83	42	92	150	170
3.3 km – 4.2 km	43	93	52	102	170	190
4.3 km – 5.2 km	53	103	62	112	170	190
5.3 km – 6.2 km	63	113	72	122	170	190
6.3 km – 7.2 km	72	122	81	131	190	210
7.3 km – 8.2 km	79	129	88	138	190	210
8.3 km – 9.2 km	85	135	94	144	190	210
9.3 km – 10.2 km	89	139	98	148	210	230
10.3 km – 11.2 km	93	143	102	152	210	230
11.3 km – 12.2 km	97	147	106	156	230	250
12.3 km – 13.2 km	101	151	110	160	230	250
13.3 km – 14.2 km	105	155	114	164	230	250
14.3 km – 15.2 km	109	159	118	168	230	250
15.3 km – 16.2 km	113	163	122	172	240	260
16.3 km – 17.2 km	117	167	126	176	240	260
17.3 km – 18.2 km	121	171	130	180	240	260
18.3 km – 19.2 km	125	175	134	184	240	260
19.3 km – 20.2 km	128	178	137	187	250	270
20.3 km – 21.2 km	131	181	140	190	250	270
21.3 km – 22.2 km	134	184	143	193	250	270
22.3 km – 23.2 km	137	187	146	196	250	270
23.3 km – 24.2 km	139	189	148	198	260	280
24.3 km – 25.2 km	141	191	150	200	260	280
25.3 km – 26.2 km	143	193	152	202	260	280
26.3 km – 27.2 km	144	194	153	203	260	280
27.3 km – 28.2 km	145	195	154	204	260	280
28.3 km – 29.2 km	146	196	155	205	260	280
29.3 km – 30.2 km	147	197	156	206	260	280
30.3 km – 31.2 km	148	198	157	207	260	280
31.3 km – 32.2 km	149	199	158	208	260	280
32.3 km – 33.2 km	150	200	159	209	260	280
33.3 km – 34.2 km	151	201	160	210	260	280
34.3 km – 35.2 km	152	202	161	211	260	280
35.3 km – 36.2 km	153	203	162	212	260	280
36.3 km – 37.2 km	154	204	163	213	260	280

37.3 km – 38.2 km	155	205	164	214	260	280
38.3 km – 39.2 km	156	206	165	215	260	280
39.3 km – 40.2 km	157	207	166	216	260	280
Over 40.2 km	158	208	167	217	260	280

**b) Senior Citizen Fare Structure (MRT and LRT)**

Distance	Card Fare Per Ride (cent)			
	Current		Approved	
	Tap in Before 7.45 am on Weekdays (Excluding Public Holidays)	Tap in at All Other Timings	Tap in Before 7.45 am on Weekdays (Excluding Public Holidays)	Tap in at All Other Timings
Up to 3.2 km	5	55	9	59
3.3 km – 4.2 km	12	62	16	66
4.3 km – 5.2 km	19	69	23	73
5.3 km – 6.2 km	26	76	30	80
6.3 km – 7.2 km	32	82	36	86
Over 7.2 km	38	88	42	92

**c) Student Fare Structure (MRT and LRT)**

Distance	Card Fare Per Ride (cent)			
	Current		Approved	
	Tap in Before 7.45 am on Weekdays (Excluding Public Holidays)	Tap in at All Other Timings	Tap in Before 7.45 am on Weekdays (Excluding Public Holidays)	Tap in at All Other Timings
Up to 3.2 km	0	38	0	42
3.3 km – 4.2 km	0	43	0	47
4.3 km – 5.2 km	0	48	2	52
5.3 km – 6.2 km	3	53	7	57
6.3 km – 7.2 km	6	56	10	60
Over 7.2 km	9	59	13	63

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**BUS FARES (w.e.f. 28 December 2019)**

a) Adult Fare Structure (Trunk Services)

Distance	Fare Per Ride (cent)			
	Card		Cash	
	Current	Approved	Current	Approved
Up to 3.2 km	83	92	150	170
3.3 km – 4.2 km	93	102	170	190
4.3 km – 5.2 km	103	112	170	190
5.3 km – 6.2 km	113	122	170	190
6.3 km – 7.2 km	122	131	190	210
7.3 km – 8.2 km	129	138	190	210
8.3 km – 9.2 km	135	144	190	210
9.3 km – 10.2 km	139	148	210	230
10.3 km – 11.2 km	143	152	210	230
11.3 km – 12.2 km	147	156	230	250
12.3 km – 13.2 km	151	160	230	250
13.3 km – 14.2 km	155	164	230	250
14.3 km – 15.2 km	159	168	230	250
15.3 km – 16.2 km	163	172	240	260
16.3 km – 17.2 km	167	176	240	260
17.3 km – 18.2 km	171	180	240	260
18.3 km – 19.2 km	175	184	240	260
19.3 km – 20.2 km	178	187	250	270
20.3 km – 21.2 km	181	190	250	270
21.3 km – 22.2 km	184	193	250	270
22.3 km – 23.2 km	187	196	250	270
23.3 km – 24.2 km	189	198	260	280
24.3 km – 25.2 km	191	200	260	280
25.3 km – 26.2 km	193	202	260	280
26.3 km – 27.2 km	194	203	260	280
27.3 km – 28.2 km	195	204	260	280
28.3 km – 29.2 km	196	205	260	280
29.3 km – 30.2 km	197	206	260	280
30.3 km – 31.2 km	198	207	260	280
31.3 km – 32.2 km	199	208	260	280
32.3 km – 33.2 km	200	209	260	280
33.3 km – 34.2 km	201	210	260	280
34.3 km – 35.2 km	202	211	260	280
35.3 km – 36.2 km	203	212	260	280
36.3 km – 37.2 km	204	213	260	280
37.3 km – 38.2 km	205	214	260	280
38.3 km – 39.2 km	206	215	260	280
39.3 km – 40.2 km	207	216	260	280
Over 40.2 km	208	217	260	280

b) Adult Fare Structure (Feeder Services)

Description	Card		Cash	
	Current	Approved	Current	Approved
Fare Per Ride (cent)	83	92	150	170

c) Senior Citizen Fare Structure (Trunk Services)

Distance	Fare Per Ride (cent)			
	Card		Cash	
	Current	Approved	Current	Approved
Up to 3.2 km	55	59	100	120
3.3 km – 4.2 km	62	66	100	120
4.3 km – 5.2 km	69	73	100	120
5.3 km – 6.2 km	76	80	100	120
6.3 km – 7.2 km	82	86	130	150
Over 7.2 km	88	92	130	150

d) Senior Citizen Fare Structure (Feeder Services)

Description	Card		Cash	
	Current	Approved	Current	Approved
Fare Per Ride (cent)	55	59	100	120

e) Student Fare Structure (Trunk Services)

Distance	Fare Per Ride (cent)			
	Card		Cash	
	Current	Approved	Current	Approved
Up to 3.2 km	38	42	65	85
3.3 km – 4.2 km	43	47	65	85
4.3 km – 5.2 km	48	52	65	85
5.3 km – 6.2 km	53	57	65	85
6.3 km – 7.2 km	56	60	85	105
Over 7.2 km	59	63	85	105

f) Student Fare Structure (Feeder Services)

Description	Card		Cash	
	Current	Approved	Current	Approved
Fare Per Ride (cent)	38	42	65	85



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g) Adult Fare Structure (Express Services)

Distance	Fare Per Ride (cent)			
	Card		Cash	
	Current	Approved	Current	Approved
Up to 3.2 km	143	152	230	250
3.3 km – 4.2 km	153	162	230	250
4.3 km – 5.2 km	163	172	230	250
5.3 km – 6.2 km	173	182	230	250
6.3 km – 7.2 km	182	191	230	250
7.3 km – 8.2 km	189	198	230	250
8.3 km – 9.2 km	195	204	245	265
9.3 km – 10.2 km	199	208	245	265
10.3 km – 11.2 km	203	212	245	265
11.3 km – 12.2 km	207	216	260	280
12.3 km – 13.2 km	211	220	260	280
13.3 km – 14.2 km	215	224	260	280
14.3 km – 15.2 km	219	228	260	280
15.3 km – 16.2 km	223	232	275	295
16.3 km – 17.2 km	227	236	275	295
17.3 km – 18.2 km	231	240	275	295
18.3 km – 19.2 km	235	244	275	295
19.3 km – 20.2 km	238	247	290	310
20.3 km – 21.2 km	241	250	290	310
21.3 km – 22.2 km	244	253	290	310
22.3 km – 23.2 km	247	256	290	310
23.3 km – 24.2 km	249	258	310	330
24.3 km – 25.2 km	251	260	310	330
25.3 km – 26.2 km	253	262	310	330
26.3 km – 27.2 km	254	263	310	330
27.3 km – 28.2 km	255	264	310	330
28.3 km – 29.2 km	256	265	310	330
29.3 km – 30.2 km	257	266	310	330
30.3 km – 31.2 km	258	267	310	330
31.3 km – 32.2 km	259	268	310	330
32.3 km – 33.2 km	260	269	310	330
33.3 km – 34.2 km	261	270	310	330
34.3 km – 35.2 km	262	271	310	330
35.3 km – 36.2 km	263	272	310	330
36.3 km – 37.2 km	264	273	310	330
37.3 km – 38.2 km	265	274	310	330
38.3 km – 39.2 km	266	275	310	330
39.3 km – 40.2 km	267	276	310	330
Over 40.2 km	268	277	310	330

h) Senior Citizen Fare Structure (Express Services)

Distance	Card Fare Per Ride (cent)	
	Current	Approved
Up to 3.2 km	100	104
3.3 km – 4.2 km	107	111
4.3 km – 5.2 km	114	118
5.3 km – 6.2 km	121	125
6.3 km – 7.2 km	127	131
Over 7.2 km	133	137

i) Student Fare Structure (Express Services)

Distance	Card Fare Per Ride (cent)	
	Current	Approved
Up to 3.2 km	68	72
3.3 km – 4.2 km	73	77
4.3 km – 5.2 km	78	82
5.3 km – 6.2 km	83	87
6.3 km – 7.2 km	86	90
Over 7.2 km	89	93

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**MONTHLY PASSES (w.e.f. 28 December 2019)**

a) Bus Monthly Concession Passes

Cardholders	Current Price	Approved Price	Change
Primary Student	\$22.50	\$24.00	\$1.50
Secondary Student	\$27.50	\$29.00	\$1.50
Polytechnic Student	\$27.50	\$29.00	\$1.50
University Student	\$52.00	\$55.50	\$3.50
Full-time National Serviceman	\$52.00	\$55.50	\$3.50

b) Train Monthly Concession Passes

Cardholders	Current Price	Approved Price	Change
Primary Student	\$20.00	\$21.00	\$1.00
Secondary Student	\$25.00	\$26.50	\$1.50
Polytechnic Student	\$25.00	\$26.50	\$1.50
University Student	\$45.00	\$48.00	\$3.00
Full-time National Serviceman	\$45.00	\$48.00	\$3.00

c) Hybrid Monthly Concession Passes and Adult Monthly Travel Pass

Cardholders	Current Price	Approved Price	Change
Primary Student	\$41.00	\$43.50	\$2.50
Secondary Student	\$51.00	\$54.00	\$3.00
Polytechnic Student	\$51.00	\$54.00	\$3.00
University Student	\$85.00	\$90.50	\$5.50
Full-time National Serviceman	\$85.00	\$90.50	\$5.50
Adult (Monthly Travel Pass)	\$120.00	\$128.00	\$8.00
Senior Citizen	\$60.00	\$64.00	\$4.00