



## SREE NARAYANA MISSION (SINGAPORE)

Established in 1948

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#### LAUNCH OF MOMENTARY MONUMENT AT FORMER SREE NARAYANA MISSION (SINGAPORE) SITE

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**Friday, 21 February 2020** - A monument was unveiled on 16 February at Block 313 Sembawang Drive as a reminder to Singaporeans of the nation's development from a "mud-flat, swamp" to a "metropolis".

2 Those were the words uttered by founding Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew on Sept 12, 1965, in his historic speech "From Mudflats To Metropolis", close to the marker near Block 312 Sembawang Drive, which used to be the former Sree Narayana Mission (Singapore).

3 Mr MK Bhasi, former President of the Mission in 1965 who hosted Mr Lee Kuan Yew at the Mission during the delivery of his speech, was also present at the launch alongside other members who witnessed the famous 'Never Fear' speech.

4 Called Momentary Monument, the sculpture was designed by students Eion Goh and Grace Sim from Singapore University of Technology and Design, Gabrielle Wong and Ahmad Nazaruddin from the National University of Singapore and Matz Goh from Singapore Polytechnic.

5 The marker portrays two figures standing back to back, one looking back at the past, and the other forward to the future and was officially unveiled by Sembawang GRC MPs Khaw Boon Wan, Ong Ye Kung, Amrin Amin, Vikram Nair and Lim Wee Kiak.

6 Mr Lee Kuan Yew's speech stays relevant, especially in light of the coronavirus epidemic today, urging Singaporeans to 'never fear' and stay united as a nation.

7 Please refer to **Annex A** for more information on SNM (Singapore).

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## ANNEX A

### About Sree Narayana Mission (Singapore)

In keeping with Sree Narayana Guru's teachings, SNM provides a wide range of social service programmes for the less-privileged regardless of race or religion.

SNM operates a 224-bed nursing home, Sree Narayana Mission Nursing Home and two Senior Care Centres for the elderly. One Senior Care Centre is co-located with the Nursing Home in Yishun and offers a Maintenance Day Care Programme.

The other Senior Care Centre is located at Woodlands and offers both Maintenance Day Care and Dementia Day Care Programmes.

SNM also manages Meranti Home, a 200-bed psychiatric welfare home for male destitutes.

SNM also runs community programmes to cater to the needs of the less-privileged including programmes for single mothers, educational financial assistance and befriender services.

SNM is an Institution of Public Character since 1984.

SNM was one of 67 Charities who received the Charity Transparency Awards 2019, awarded by the Charity Council. The award recognises charities with good disclosure practices that the Charity Transparency Framework (CTF) recommends.

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### SNM Structure

