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# SUN MEDIA NEWSLETTER

Welcome to Sun Media Singapore weekly e-newsletter! Your go-to source for the latest news and insights on key markets that include Central Asia, Southeast Asia, and South Asia. In this edition, we'll be taking a closer look at the latest bilateral developments in Singapore, India, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, and Malaysia with a focus on the economy, and business. So whether you're a business professional, investor, or just interested in keeping up with the latest news from these dynamic regions, this newsletter is for you. Let's dive straight in!

## SINGAPORE



**Working Visit by  
President Shanmugaratnam  
to The United States of America**

### President Tharman Working Visit to USA

During his working trip to the US from 27 November to 4 December 2023 President Tharman Shanmugaratnam will also deliver the Distinguished Key Lecture and a dialogue session at Columbia University as part of its prestigious World Leaders Forum series. President Tharman will also meet with United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres and he will also assume the role of chairing the United Nations Human Development Report Advisory Board and presiding over a Group of Thirty plenary hosted by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

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**Building Singapore's capabilities  
in the healthcare,  
Industry 4.0-driven manufacturing,  
supply chain and logistics industries through 5G**

### First-of-Its Kind 5G Innovations in Healthcare Pioneered in Singapore

The Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA) collaborated with industry leaders to pioneer transformative 5G solutions in healthcare, manufacturing, supply chain, and logistics under the 5G Innovation Programme. The IMDA unveiled on 27th November 2023 groundbreaking 5G use-cases in collaboration with key enterprises, marking a significant leap in Singapore's digital transformation

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### Singapore Delivers Urgent Aid to Gaza

Singapore responds to the humanitarian crisis in Gaza, deploying RSAF aircraft with a S\$7 million aid package comprising medical supplies, blankets, and more. On 30th November 2023 Singapore's Foreign Minister Dr Vivian Balakrishnan with Egyptian Ambassador-designate to Singapore Ahmad Mostafa Abdelaal Mohamed, Singapore's Representative to the Palestinian Authority Hawazi Daipi, senior Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) Officers, and representatives from participating NGOs were present at Changi Air Base (East) to send off the RSAF mission crew.

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## PEP-SBF Awards Recognize Singapore's Pro-Enterprise Environment

The 2023 Pro-Enterprise Panel – Singapore Business Federation (PEP-SBF) Awards Ceremony took place on 29th November 2023, with Singapore's Minister for Trade and Industry, Mr Gan Kim Yong, as the Guest-of-Honour. This annual event applauds the successful collaborations and contributions of both private and public sectors in advancing Singapore's pro-enterprise environment.

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## INDIA



## 4th Edition of AIGIF at Langkawi, Malaysia

India and 10 ASEAN Member States Collaborate at 4th Edition of ASEAN India Grassroots Innovation Forum (AIGIF) 2023 to foster science, technology, and innovation cooperation. The collaborative initiative is led by the ASEAN Committee on Science, Technology, and Innovation (COSTI), the Department of Science & Technology (DST) of the Government of India, the National Innovation Foundation (NIF) – India, and Malaysia's Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI), executed by Yayasan Inovasi Malaysia (YIM).

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## SAUDI ARABIA



## KSA Wins Bid to Host World Expo 2030

A diplomatic victory for Saudi Arabia as it is chosen to host the World Expo 2030 – the five-yearly event that will showcase the best of the Kingdom and its transformational journey as well as attract millions of visitors and billions of dollars in investment.

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## Singapore Sees Opportunities in Saudi Arabia's Logistics, Transport & Green Energy

An Arab News report based on an interview by Ms Nomita Dhar with Singapore's Manpower Minister and Second Minister for Trade and Industry Mr Tan See Leng revealed Singapore's interests in deepening cooperation

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## INDONESIA



## Amazing Indonesia 2023 Strongly Supported by Amazing Diaspora

The Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia in Singapore, in collaboration with the Indonesian Community Communication Forum in Singapore (FKMIS) and the Indonesian Women's Association in Singapore (PWIS) and participation of the DWP (Dharma Wanita Persatuan), successfully organized the Amazing Indonesia 2023 event on 4th and 5th November 2023. This two-day cultural extravaganza celebrated Indonesia's rich heritage and products and saw the launch of a new book on the Indonesian diaspora's history and development.

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## MALAYSIA



## Fifth Bilateral Search and Rescue Exercise 2023

The Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF) and the Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF) and successfully wrapped up their fifth joint Search-and-Rescue Exercise, enhancing bilateral cooperation. The annual Bilateral Search-and-Rescue Exercise (SAREX) MALSING held from 6th to 10th November 2023 was hosted at Sembawang Air Base, Singapore and the exercise was aimed at strengthening collaboration between the two Air Forces in responding to simulated aerial emergencies.

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