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Press Release

Close to S\$1.9 million in Scholarships Awarded by the Singapore Maritime Industry for Local & Overseas Studies

Singapore, 15 August 2018 – As part of the maritime industry's efforts to develop the pipeline of talent into the industry, the Government, maritime businesses and local seafarer unions presented close to S\$1.9 million in maritime scholarships to 49 students at the MaritimeONE Scholarship Award Ceremony today. The awards ceremony was held at the Conrad Centennial Hotel.

This year, a total of 26 companies pledged their commitment to MaritimeONE scholarships valued at over S\$770,000. A total of 34 MaritimeONE scholarships were awarded tonight. These companies hail from across all sectors of the industry – port, shipping, shipyards and maritime ancillary services, and pledged their support to the scholarships programme. MaritimeONE scholars are able to choose from a wide spectrum of 23 degree courses offered by local and overseas universities, as well as 3 maritime diploma programmes at the Singapore Maritime Academy (SMA) in Singapore Polytechnic (SP).

Since 2007, a total of 342 MaritimeONE scholarships worth over S\$9 million have been awarded to outstanding students to pursue courses locally and abroad, emphasizing the commitment towards manpower development on the industry level.

2018 Jurong Port – MaritimeONE Scholar, Mr Hor Zhi An: The first student with a background in Business Analytics to be awarded the MaritimeONE scholarship

Mr Hor Zhi An is a final year student pursuing a degree in Business (Business Analytics) at Nanyang Technological University. Zhi An took the long road and an unconventional educational pathway through the Normal Academic stream and Polytechnic to his current course of study at Nanyang Technological University. Zhi An knows that the secret to getting ahead is getting started. As the industry gears up for greater incorporation of technology to maritime operations, Zhi An's skills will be essential when developing business analytical solutions for greater port efficiency.

He shares "I took and somewhat unconventional route to University, studying in the Normal Academic stream for five years, then entering Polytechnic for three years, before embarking on my three year degree in NTU. It's hasn't been a smooth sailing journey in achieving excellence in my academics, but I hope to continue this journey with an exciting career in maritime. With the digital transformation occurring in maritime, I hope my background in Business Analytics can contribute to the continuous development of the industry."

2018 LCH Lockton - MaritimeONE Scholar, Ms Hazel Tan: Finding security in the road less travelled

New recipient, Ms Hazel Tan, will be pursuing a degree in Maritime Studies at the Nanyang Technological University (NTU) this year. While most students select a maritime related education to differentiate themselves from their peers, Hazel found security in the course's unique combination (business and maritime). Well-equipped with a Diploma in Logistics and Operations Management from Temasek Polytechnic, Hazel decided that exploring adjacent fields relating to the wider supply chain network would provide her with a comprehensive view of the transportation sector in Singapore.

Hazel shares, "The business part of maritime made a lot of sense to me, so I didn't want to pursue something entirely different upon graduating from polytechnic. As a camp instructor, I often meet and work with people from across all backgrounds, and maritime is no different! As an international maritime centre, Singapore is a melting pot of cultures, a place where businesses from all over the world gather and transact, and I'm excited about the people and places my career will lead me to."

2018 BW Maritime – MaritimeONE Scholar, Mr Rayakar Aditya Ajeet: Seeking an adventure in maritime

Mr Aditya Rayakar, a third year student from the Singapore Management University (SMU), received the BW Maritime – MaritimeONE scholarship this year, and will be pursuing an Economics major under the Maritime Economics Track and Operations Management. Aditya's family often travelled to new places due to his father's vocation, which resulted in Aditya developing a love for exploring the world. When it was time to choose a degree to pursue, Aditya knew that he wanted a career that would take him places beyond the borders of Singapore, and found his calling in maritime.

He shares, "I love to go beyond my comfort zone because that's when you get the most inspiring and enriching experiences. I decided to enter the maritime industry because it's a highly globalised one, so you get connected to different places and meet different people. I'm excited to visit different ports around the world, and see what I can do which would help benefit these countries, with the knowledge and experience gained from living in one of the world's most successful port cities."

2018 SMA - MaritimeONE Scholar, Ms Siti Shamilah: The art and science of shipbuilding

New recipient, Ms Siti Shamilah, received the SMA – MaritimeONE Scholarship at the ceremony tonight. As a budding artist and videographer, Siti enjoys the design process and has developed a keen eye for detail. With her relatives in maritime, Siti often hears stories about their experiences, which sparked her interest in the industry – namely, ships, their form and function. Having previously attained a Diploma in Maritime Business from SP, it did not take much for Siti to map her educational pathway and pursue a Degree in Engineering with a specialisation in Naval Architecture at Newcastle University (Singapore Institute of Technology joint-degree programme).

She shares, "I've always been fascinated by ships, at how numerous parts could come together so seamlessly to form something so large and complex. Now that I have good knowledge of the maritime business and workings on the industry, further honing my skills

in naval architecture would allow me to be involved in the design process, something which I can't wait to begin learning about."

Details regarding the MaritimeONE Scholarship Programme and its supported courses can be found in **Annex A**.

Tripartite Maritime Scholarship (TMSS)

A total of 15 TMSS scholarships valued at about S\$1.1 million, were also awarded at the ceremony this evening. These scholarships are for students who are enrolled in the Nautical Studies and Marine Engineering diploma programmes offered at the SMA in SP.

TMSS is jointly sponsored by the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA), shipping companies, the Singapore Maritime Officers' Union (SMOU) and the Singapore Organisation of Seamen (SOS). The scholarship aims to groom promising students to become Ship Captains and Chief Engineers of ocean-going merchant ships and future leaders of Singapore's maritime industry. This year, the sponsoring companies are NYK Shipmanagement Pte Ltd., PACC Ship Managers Pte Ltd, Pacific International Lines (Pte) Ltd, Sea Consortium Pte Ltd (X-PRESS FEEDERS), and Thome Ship Management Pte Ltd, with Synergy Marine Pte Ltd. coming onboard as a new sponsor for the first time.

2018 TMSS Scholar Ms Pournami Sharma: Realising ambition to be ship captain through a structured programme

Ms Pournami Sharma was awarded the TMSS Scholarship for a Diploma in Nautical Studies with Synergy Marine Pte Ltd. Harbouring the ambition to be a Ship Captain, Pournami has always been driven to pursue a career that can challenge her physical limitations and offers her multiple pathways to achieve her ambition. "This scholarship provides a structured career progression, giving me the confidence that if I continue working hard, I will be able to reach my dream of commanding a ship in time to come," said the TMSS scholar.

2018 TMSS Scholar Mr Lee Cong Wei Berwyn: Keeping ships functional while seeing the world

Mr Berwyn Lee has been awarded the TMSS scholarship with PACC. Berwyn did well for his GCE 'O' Levels to qualify for junior college but chose to pursue a Diploma in Marine Engineering as he had strong interest in the maritime industry and aspired to be a chief engineer. Thrilled to have a rewarding career while travelling around the world, Berwyn said "The TMSS gives me a head start in my seafaring career as I will gain on-the-job experience with my sponsoring company while pursuing my diploma. I love the added benefit that I am able to see the world and have the opportunity to interact with different cultures, for work and leisure."

2010 TMSS Scholar Mr Abdul Rahmad bin Abdul Razak: 8 years on, and progressing well in his career through skills deepening

Mr Abdul Rahmad bin Abdul Razak was awarded the TMSS scholarship in 2010 to pursue his Diploma in Nautical Studies in SP. Since then, he has obtained his diploma and his Certificate of Competency (CoC) Deck Officer Class 3, completed his National Service and sailed at sea for 12 months with his sponsoring company PACC Ship Managers Pte Ltd

(PACC). The 12 months of sailing experience qualified him to be enrolled in the CoC Class 1 and 2 Deck Officer Course at the SMA, which he is currently pursuing. In less than a decade, he has steadily progressed from being a student to a cadet, a Fourth Officer and is now a Third Officer.

Sharing his experience, Abdul Rahmad said, "While it is quite challenging to learn so many things in the 6-month CoC Class 1 and 2 Deck Officer course, my sponsor company, PACC, has been supportive in my sailing schedule to cater for my studies and seniors have encouraging and helpful in sharing their experiences and knowledge. The journey may be tough, but it will be worth it as my seafaring experience is not only in high demand, it also opens up diverse opportunities and career options to me."

For more details on the TMSS scholarships, please refer to **Annex B**.

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About MaritimeONE

Launched in April 2007 by the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA), Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF), Association of Singapore Marine Industries (ASMI) and Singapore Shipping Association (SSA), the MaritimeONE (Outreach Network) is a key platform for all maritime stakeholders to synergise efforts to raise awareness of the maritime industry among students and their influence groups, and to interest them in maritime education and careers via various outreach initiatives. As the Secretariat of the MaritimeONE, SMF works in tandem with strategic partners to organise a variety of initiatives, including promotional campaigns, events and MaritimeONE scholarships. Other MaritimeONE activities include industry awareness talks, scholarship offers, student outreach events and regular networking events for employers and tertiary students.

About Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF)

Established in 2004, the Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF) is a private sector-led organization that aims to develop and promote Singapore as an International Maritime Centre (IMC). As the representative voice for the commercial players of the maritime industry, the Foundation seeks to forge strong partnerships with the public and private sectors of the maritime industry. SMF spearheads initiatives to promote the diverse clusters of the maritime industry in Singapore and at international frontiers, and to attract young talent to join the sector. SMF is directed by its Board of Directors which comprises prominent leaders in the Singapore maritime community. For more details, please visit http://www.smf.com.sg/.

Annex A – MaritimeONE Scholarship Programme

1. About the MaritimeONE Scholarship Programme

The MaritimeONE Scholarship programme is spearheaded by the Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF) as a key initiative to nurture talents for Singapore's maritime sector. Sponsoring companies provide funding for these scholarships which are then administered by SMF. Some of the sponsoring companies also offer internship opportunities for the scholars during their school term.

A total of 26 maritime-related degree and diploma programmes are supported by the MaritimeONE scholarships this year. These courses have been identified by SMF in consultation with maritime-related organisations which are at liberty to select the course(s) for their identified scholars. As the MaritimeONE Secretariat, SMF conducts various outreach initiatives to inform the public of the MaritimeONE scholarship programme for these 26 degree and diploma programmes, and coordinates the interviews for sponsors to meet the scholarship applicants. After the interviews, sponsors would then advise SMF on their selected candidates for the award.

This year, there are 19 sponsors for 34 MaritimeONE scholarships which are valued at slightly over S\$770,000. The General Insurance Association of Singapore and Trust Energy Resources Pte Ltd are two new sponsors to the scholarship programme.

The full list of sponsoring companies this year include "K" Line Pte Ltd, American Bureau of Shipping, BW Maritime Pte Ltd, Fednav Singapore Pte Ltd, General Insurance Association of Singapore, Jurong Port Pte Ltd, Keppel Offshore & Marine, NORDEN Shipping & Orient Fond, LCH Lockton Pte Ltd, NYK Shipmanagement, Pacific Carriers Ltd, Pacific International Lines Pte Ltd, PSA Corporation Ltd, Sailors' Society, SeaTech Solutions International, Sembcorp Marine Ltd, Singapore Maritime Officers' Union, Singapore Shipping Association, The Chua Chor Teck Memorial Fund, The Oza Family, SMA, Global Maritime Talent Pte Ltd, Plymouth University, Chung Ang University and Trust Energy Resources Pte Ltd.

Since the inaugural Scholarship Award Ceremony in 2007, a total of 342 scholarships, worth more than S\$9 million, have been awarded to outstanding students for their pursuit of maritime-related courses in Singapore and overseas.

2. Courses Supported by the MaritimeONE Scholarship Programme

Business and Law-related degree courses

- *NEW* Bachelor of Business in Business Analytics, Nanyang Technological University (NTU)
- 2. Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Maritime Studies, Nanyang Technological University (NTU)
- 3. Bachelor of Science (Economics) with Maritime Economics Track, Singapore Management University (SMU)
- 4. Bachelor of Science in International Transportation and Trade, State University of New York, USA
- 5. Bachelor of Science (Honours) Maritime Business and Logistics, Plymouth University, United Kingdom (PU)
- 6. Bachelor of Science (Honours) Maritime Business and Maritime Law, PU
- 7. Bachelor of Science (Honours) Maritime Transportation and Logistics, PU
- 8. Bachelor of Science (Honours) Navigation and Maritime Science, PU
- 9. Bachelor of Business Administration (International Logistics), CAU

10. Finance (first or second major) with International Trading Track (ITT), SMU

Engineering-related degree courses

- 11. Bachelor of Engineering (Computer Engineering), NTU
- 12. Bachelor of Engineering (Computer Science), NTU
- 13. Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical & Electronic Engineering), NTU
- 14. Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical Engineering), NTU
- 15. Bachelor of Civil Engineering, NUS
- 16. Bachelor of Engineering (Computer Engineering), NUS
- 17. Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical Engineering), NUS
- 18. Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical Engineering), NUS
- 19. Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Marine Engineering, Newcastle University, UK with Singapore Institute of Technology, NU SIT
- 20. Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Naval Architecture, NU SIT
- 21. Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Offshore Engineering, NU SIT
- 22. Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Electrical Power Engineering, NU SIT

Computing-related degree courses

23. Bachelor of Computing (Computer Science), NUS

Maritime diploma courses

- 24. Diploma in Maritime Business, SMA SP
- 25. Diploma in Marine Engineering, SMA SP
- 26. Diploma in Nautical Studies, SMA SP

Annex B – Tripartite Maritime Scholarship Scheme (TMSS)

1. About the TMSS

The Tripartite Maritime Scholarship Scheme (TMSS) was introduced in 2002 and aims to attract and encourage locals to take up a seafaring career to build a core group of local mariners. This scholarship, sponsored by MPA, seafarer unions (Singapore Maritime Officers' Union & Singapore Organisation of Seamen) and shipping companies, grooms promising students to become Ship Captains and Chief Engineers of ocean-going merchant ships and be the leaders of Singapore's maritime industry.

TMSS is open to students pursuing the Diploma in Nautical Studies or Diploma in Marine Engineering at the SMA (SP) and has a bond period of 3 years on seagoing appointment, upon attainment of Deck/Marine Engineer Officer CoC Class 2, with sponsoring shipping company. Pursuing a Diploma in Nautical Studies would prepare you to be a Deck Officer, and eventually lead to the appointment as a Ship's Captain. On the other hand, a Diploma in Marine Engineering would train you to be an engineer on board ship, and eventually lead to the position of Chief Engineer.

TMSS was enhanced in 2015 to provide more opportunities for Singaporeans to take up seafaring careers. Under the enhanced scheme, MPA has set aside an additional S\$6 million over the next five years to award up to 20 scholarships every year.

This year, 15 TMSS scholarships with an estimated value of S\$1.1 million, were given out. The sponsoring companies are NYK Shipmanagement Pte Ltd., PACC Ship Managers Pte Ltd, Pacific International Lines (Pte) Ltd, Sea Consortium Pte Ltd (X-PRESS FEEDERS), Synergy Marine Pte Ltd., and Thome Ship Management Pte Ltd. To date, more than 150 TMSS scholarships have been awarded.

2. Courses Supported by the TMSS

Maritime diploma courses

- 1. Diploma in Marine Engineering, SMA SP
- 2. Diploma in Nautical Studies, SMA SP