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**MINISTER S ISWARAN TO VISIT INDIA FROM 10 TO 13 JANUARY 2015**

1. Minister in the Prime Minister's Office and Second Minister for Home Affairs and Trade and Industry S Iswaran will be visiting India from 10 to 13 January 2015. He will lead a business delegation comprising about 70 business representatives across 40 companies from the urban solutions, construction, logistics and IT sectors to the 7<sup>th</sup> Vibrant Gujarat Summit 2015 in Ahmedabad on 11 January 2015.
2. This is the first time Singapore is participating as a Partner Country at the Vibrant Gujarat Summit to promote greater bilateral business collaboration and engagement. At the Summit, Mr Iswaran will speak at the opening ceremony and visit the Singapore Pavilion, organised by International Enterprise (IE) Singapore, where 20 Singapore companies will showcase capabilities in a wide range of sectors such as urban solutions, manufacturing and energy. While in Ahmedabad, Mr Iswaran is scheduled to call on Indian Prime Minister, Narendra Modi and the Chief Minister of Gujarat, Anandiben Patel.
3. On 12 January, Mr Iswaran will travel to Hyderabad with a group of Singapore companies. He will call on the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Chandrababu Naidu for a discussion on the partnership between Singapore and Andhra Pradesh in master planning and developing the latter's new capital city and surrounding region.
4. Singapore and India share strong economic ties. In 2013, India was Singapore's 11<sup>th</sup> largest trading partner and 12<sup>th</sup> largest export destination. Total trade between India and Singapore currently stands at over S\$25 billion per year. Singapore is also India's largest trade and investment partner in ASEAN.
5. Mr Iswaran will be accompanied by senior officials from the Ministry of Trade and Industry, International Enterprise (IE) Singapore, Singapore Cooperation Enterprise (SCE) and Centre for Liveable Cities (CLC).

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