



28 November 2022

Statement from the Outdoor Adventure Education (OAE) Council

The OAE Council has reviewed the Ministry of Education's (MOE's) strengthened risk mitigation measures for height-based Outdoor Adventure Learning programmes for schools and supports the progressive resumption of these activities.

2 To support the wider resumption of height-based activities beyond schools, the Council has convened a taskforce to:

- a) develop a set of guidelines to help all OAE providers (including MOE and private operators) develop or review their site-specific emergency response plans and risk mitigation measures for managing serious incidents; and
- b) support the recruitment, skills refresher training and certification of challenge course practitioners.

3 As part of the taskforce, the Outdoor Learning & Adventure Education (OLAE) Association is enhancing their membership system to include subsidies for professional course fees, insurance coverage, and legal and mediation support for members. More will be shared when OLAE organises career road shows and townhalls to raise awareness of opportunities available with the resumption. *Refer to **ANNEX** for details of taskforce members.*

-END-

Media Contacts:

Tan Jia Ling
National Youth Council
Tan_Jia_Ling@nyc.gov.sg
Mobile: 98631903

Suzanne Walker
National Youth Council
Suzanne_Walker@nyc.gov.sg
Mobile: 98738181

Details of Taskforce Members

- 1. Mr. Krishnan Aravinthan**
Director, Physical, Sports & Outdoor Education, Student Development Curriculum Division 2, Ministry of Education (MOE)
- 2. Mr. Tony Tan Tuan Tiong**
Honorary President, Outdoor Learning and Adventure Education (OLAE) Association
- 3. Ms. Jean See Jinli**
Executive Secretary, National Instructors & Coaches Association, National Trades Union Congress
- 4. Mr. Mohammad Ridzuwan Ya'akop**
Senior Assistant Director, Outward Bound Singapore