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Structure of government

Executive power is vested in the President by the Constitution and is exercisable by him or by Cabinet.¹ The Prime Minister charges individual Ministers by directions in writing with responsibility for one or more departments of government or subjects.² Each ministry comprises a number of departments, and one or more permanent secretaries, who is each allocated a ministry by the Prime Minister.³ The permanent secretary exercises supervision over the department or departments to which he is allocated, subject to the general direction and control of the Minister,⁴ who is the 'political' head of the departments in his ministry. Besides the various departments, commonly falling within the Minister's purview are various other bodies: statutory boards,⁵ other public corporations,⁶ miscellaneous quasi-governmental bodies, advisory bodies, certain public services (such as the Police Force⁷), and quasi-judicial 'administrative tribunals'.

1 Constitution art 23(1).

2 Constitution art 30(1)(a).

3 Constitution art 34(2)(b).

4 Constitution art 34(3).

5 There is no statutory definition of a 'statutory board'. However, it is a term commonly understood as referring to corporations created by Act of Parliament and having a public purpose. They are the major type of public corporation. They can be typically governmental organisations, implementing government policies (such as the Housing and Development Board or the Economic Development Board) except that their employees are not 'public servants' as defined by the Constitution. As to the public service see the Constitution Pt IX (arts 102-119).

6 These may be either (1) companies formed under the Companies Act (Cap 50, 2006 Rev Ed) wholly-owned by the government; or (2) mixed enterprises partly government-owned and partly owned by the general public who are able to purchase shares in them by way of public subscription on the stock exchange; or (3) joint enterprises between the government and other companies. An example of the first type is Chartered Industries of Singapore Pte Ltd and other defence related companies. Examples of the second are Development Bank of Singapore, Singapore Airlines, and Singapore Telecommunications, which are all listed on the stock exchange. An example of the third is Singapore Petroleum Co. See Philip N Pillai State Enterprise in Singapore (1983) SUR.

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