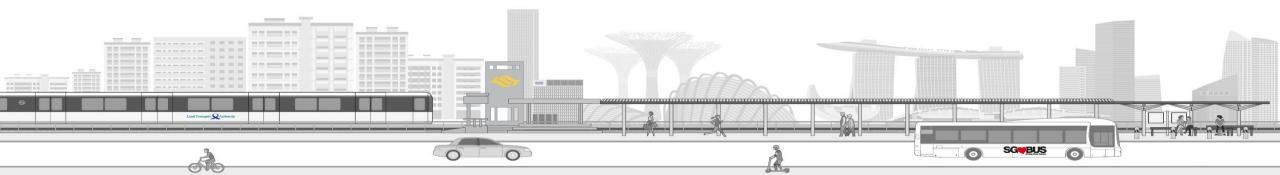


Theme 3: Safe Assets

Problem Statement 6:

Improve the road tunnel cleaning process through technology innovation (e.g. automation and/or standalone modular cleaning systems)

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<u>Manpower</u> crunch, especially for manual labor.

Why

- Vehicles are nearing the statutory <u>lifespan</u>
- Costly in terms of vehicle <u>maintenance</u>
- Occasional vehicle <u>downtime</u> and <u>property damage</u> during cleaning

 Explore tech-enabled ways (e.g. automation, smarter machines, better materials, etc.) to be resource efficient

Objectives

- To automate and use <u>less</u>
 <u>manpower</u>
- To explore ways to use <u>less</u>
 <u>water, less chemicals, less energy</u>
- To optimise the systems to achieve same or better outcome with <u>less</u> <u>manpower</u> and <u>higher availability</u>
- To <u>reduce</u> O&M cost

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Current Cleaning Process

Tunnel Cleaning Team

1 x Supervisor
 2 x Brush Operators (Front & Back)
 3 x Niches Cleaning
 3 x Walkway & Kerb Cleaning

Total 9 workers

(excluding 3 drivers)



Workers manually cleaning Niches housing sensitive equipment



Workers manually cleaning Walkway & Road Kerbs



Brush Operator controlling back brush

Cleaning Convoy





Water Truck (2000 L tank) with generator for jet spray



Manual Cleaning Team

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TWV (5000 litres tank)



Brush Operators Supervisor

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Pain Points

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- 1. Truck and Washing system are integrated, resulting in <u>system downtime</u> if either module is down
- 2. Vehicle parts <u>not commonly available</u> and <u>overseas support</u> is required at times
- 3. Current <u>brushes are unable to clean the maintenance walkway & road kerb</u>, and are manually cleaned currently
- 4. Requires relatively <u>high manpower per deployment</u>:
 - 6 x manual workers
 - 2 x brush operators
 - 3 x drivers
- 5. Workers are subjected to <u>traffic risk</u>

Questions & Answers:

Q1: What is length of each tunnel, for those with claddings and no claddings?
A1: Estimated length of tunnels (left and right walls) to be washed : 32.15 km
Estimated tunnel length with cladding (Wash monthly): 26.3 km
Estimated tunnel length with no cladding (Wash twice a month) : 5.85 km

Q2: What is the distance between niches – e.g. sensitive equipment? Are they at both sides of tunnel? A2: 50m between niches at only the left tunnel walls

Q3: Tender duration of Tunnel Cleaning Operation A3: ~ 3 years

Thank You



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