

## **Ho Kwon Ping is first S R Nathan Fellow for the Study of Singapore**

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SINGAPORE: Executive Chairman of Banyan Tree Holdings, Ho Kwon Ping has been appointed the first S R Nathan Fellow for the Study of Singapore.

The Institute of Policy Studies (IPS) announced this in a news release on Thursday (July 3), as former President S R Nathan celebrates his 90th birthday.

IPS says Mr Ho will pursue research related to public policy and governance in Singapore and share his ideas at a series of public lectures at the National University of Singapore, titled the "IPS-Nathan Lectures".

Since announcing it last year, IPS has raised S\$3 million in donations (excluding a matching government grant) for the fellowship, meant to recognise the contributions of Singapore's sixth and longest-serving president to public service and advancement of the country.

61-year-old Mr Ho is also Chairman of the Singapore Management University (SMU) Board of Trustees. He has been awarded the Singapore Government's Meritorius Service Medal for founding SMU.

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