

Lee Hsien Loong's 10 years as PM: Singapore Dream Seems Less Achievable, says Tan Ern Ser

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Q: How would you characterise Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong's 10 years at the helm, in a word or a phrase?

A: Steering the ship of state through uncharted, hazardous waters.

Q: Of all the things that have happened in the past decade, what do you consider PM's three greatest achievements?

A: Keeping the economy afloat.

Making major policy shifts in healthcare and education. Reducing the burden of the sandwiched generation with the Pioneer Generation Package.

Q: What about his three greatest disappointments?

A: The cost of living remains high.

The Singapore Dream seems less achievable. The Singapore Dream in the sense of upward mobility, material security, comfort, and success for themselves and their children.

The past track record of the PAP (People's Action Party) government has become less of a selling point.

Q: What do you see as challenges for the PM in the next five to 10 years?

A: Managing diversity, preventing the emergence of new fault lines, keeping the Singapore Dream alive, building a new social compact.