

Name of Initiative

Developing an Industry Guide for Setting Up Land-based Farms in Singapore



Agency

Singapore Food Agency, Enterprise Singapore, Building and Construction Authority, Singapore Civil Defence Force, Land Transport Authority, The National Environment Agency, National Parks Board, Singapore Land Authority, Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore, Urban Redevelopment Authority, Economic Development Board, JTC Corporation



Could you share briefly on what was the impetus that eventually led to the initiative, and how did you motivate yourself/your team to pursue it?

Farms were having some difficulty navigating the regulatory clearances required to develop and run a new farm as they were unfamiliar with the processes and requirements that are overseen by multiple government agencies. The workgroup came up with the idea of consolidating the requirements across the agencies into a single guide to help the farms. Ultimately, if the farms are able to self-help, they would not need to go back to the agencies for clarifications and that would save time for both sides.



What were the challenges that you/your team encountered, and how did you/your team overcome them?

The secretariat had to come up with the format and coordinate the responses and inputs from various agencies. Every agency's requirements were unique and it was challenging to fit their requirements into a standard template. Hence, a lot of refinements were made to the content to ensure that the requirements can be easily understood by the farmers.

Whilst developing the industry guide, the agencies had also received feedback from the farms and acted on them promptly.



What was the most memorable moment while working on this project?

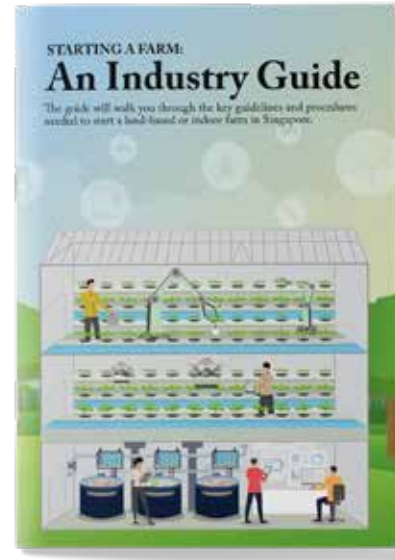
The most memorable moment is when agencies cooperated and worked together with the secretariat to come up with the guide. The guide was finalized, and everyone was proud of what we have achieved together.

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An Industry Guide has been launched on 9 October 2020 to provide companies in the farming industry with one consolidated knowledge resource.



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