

[STREET VIEW]

“Judging by their bad habits, people would think Singaporeans never went to school.”

MR DENNIS TAN, 40, a Woodlands resident, who observed that people would start dirtying the estate after the cleaners had cleaned it.

NITHIARAJAN
NITHIARATNAM, 39
Engineer

“I’ve been to many countries and they are not as clean as Singapore. I think Singaporeans have developed a habit – they are used to cleanliness.”



JUNE POON, 52

Receptionist

“We are cleaner compared with other countries because of the Government’s efforts. But some Singaporeans still have bad habits like spitting and picking their noses on the bus.”



FARHATH HABIB, 22

Student

“Most places are clean but certain spots are not. Even shopping malls have very dirty toilets. The older generation has a habit of spitting despite the heavy fines.”



GOH KIN LIAN, 46

Clinic assistant

“The lift in my estate can get quite dirty in the evening. There’s always litter and spit on the floor. But it’s no use increasing the fine. People should just learn to be more considerate.”



SABARIAH LEMAN, 48

Sales assistant

“We have many cleaners to help us maintain the place. My neighbourhood, for instance, is very clean. What I can’t stand is Singaporeans spitting on the ground. It’s just unsightly.”



HO HWEE SENG, 46

Technical officer

“Singaporeans are quite well-trained when it comes to throwing away their rubbish in the litter bin. But the problem is that there are fewer bins now, especially in the MRT stations, because of security reasons.”



XUE HUI, 26

Marketing executive

“It’s definitely cleaner than in China. There are litter bins everywhere here. Even tourists who come here wouldn’t dare to litter.”



HANISAH JAAFAR, 23

Web writer

“We all have a mindset that Singapore is clean but there are still people who continue to throw their cigarette butts on the ground and not flush the toilet after use. People still need to be educated about these things.”



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