

"I've had people who refused to sit next to me on public transport as we are not of the same race."

STORIES BY SINGAPOREANS

"It's always nice when we come together and share our different experiences."



LET'S WORK TOGETHER

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD) is a United Nations Convention that condemns discrimination based on race, colour, descent, nationality or ethnic origin. It requires States Parties to pursue a policy of eliminating racial discrimination in all its forms.

Singapore ratified the ICERD on 27 November 2017.

This underscores our commitment to work towards
a society free from racial discrimination and
demonstrates our stand that racial discrimination
of any kind has no place in Singapore.

LEARN MORE ABOUT ICERD
AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR YOU AT

www.mccy.gov.sg/icerd









"When we were dating, I was worried if my wife's family would accept me as I am of a different race. But they've embraced me."

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"I volunteered for a project. Some of my colleagues said I was trying to show off and get ahead, which was typical of 'my kind'."



Multi-racialism and mutual respect are at the core of our Singaporean identity and our nation's strength. For decades, we have worked hand-in-hand to build a cohesive and vibrant society, where Singaporeans have enjoyed racial and religious harmony.

Nonetheless, race-based jokes and stereotypes made unintentionally, even without ill-intent, can be hurtful and weaken the multi-cultural fabric of our society.

Let us continue to work together to make our society a gracious and caring place where every person matters.

SO WHAT CAN WE DO?



START A CONVERSATION

Ask a friend or colleague from another race if they've heard any racially insensitive jokes or comments.

How did it make them feel and why?



SAY SOMETHING POSITIVE

If you see or hear anything discriminatory about a friend or stranger, don't stay silent, speak up. Your words and action will influence others to do the same.



SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

Stand up against racial discrimination and promote understanding, appreciation and trust in our multi-cultural and multi-religious society. Join the Orange Ribbon Walk and other initiatives at onepeople.sg



SHARE YOUR IDEAS

If you have a great idea to support racial or religious harmony, we'd love to hear from you. Our Harmony Fund provides grants of up to S\$100,000.