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## MINDEF, SAF Personnel Receive National Day Awards

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Mr Teo interacting with award recipients after the investiture.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence Teo Chee Hean and Minister for Education and Second Minister for Defence Ng Eng Hen presented National Day Awards to more than 620 personnel of the Ministry of Defence (MINDEF) and the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF), at an investiture this evening. The medals were given in recognition of the staff's performance and dedication to the call of duty. A total of 53 Commendation Medals, 118 Efficiency Medals and 453 Long Service Medals were awarded to the recipients in two separate ceremonies. Spouses of the award recipients, as well as senior MINDEF officials and SAF officers were also present at the investiture.

At an earlier National Day Awards ceremony officiated by President S R Nathan on 1 Nov 09, 28 senior SAF officers received the Public Administration Medal (Military), 10 officers were awarded the Public Administration Medal (Military) (Silver), and another 18, the Public Administration Medal (Military) (Bronze). Chief of Defence Force Lieutenant-General (LG) Desmond Kuek was also awarded the Pingat Jasa Gemilang (Tentera) [or Meritorious Service Medal (Military)] as part of this year's National Day Awards.