



They keep S'pore humming: Acting PM Teo

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They were hard at work while many other Singaporeans were out celebrating the first day of Chinese New Year.

Yesterday morning, Acting Prime Minister Teo Chee Hean visited PSA Marine and the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) to show his appreciation to some 100 workers in the marine, marine transportation and port services sector.

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Addressing the media at the end of his two-hour visit, he said: "Many of our workers continue to work during festive seasons to keep Singapore humming, and also to keep us safe and secure.

"So it's very important to come and appreciate the work they are doing."

Accompanied by his wife and leaders of the labour movement, including National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) secretary-general Lim Swee Say, Mr Teo started his visit at PSA Marine at West Coast Ferry

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Road, where he tossed yu sheng with its workers.

After that, he made his way to MPA located nearby to continue with the festivities.

Mr Ng Kah Siong, 39, a senior watch supervisor with MPA, said he has been on duty on almost every first and second day of Chinese New Year for the past 11 years.

The father of three children, aged between five and 12, said: "My family members know the nature of my work and are supportive. I feel honoured and happy to contribute to Singapore."

