

→ anticipating change and staying relevant

- what: the external and international environment is constantly changing. Decisions made by the government need to be forward looking. Policies have to be implemented to meet Singapore's future needs

→ having good leadership

- what: there must be honest and capable leaders to manage the country. they must be able to do what is right and not what is popular with the people. to do this, they must have the courage to face opposition / disagreement from its people or other countries in the short term. they have to be pragmatic (deal with problems in a reasonable / logical way) and adopt practical solutions to the problems for the good of the country.

→ practising meritocracy

- what: a system of rewarding hard work and talent. this will ensure people are rewarded based on abilities and hard work. this gives everybody in the society an equal opportunity to achieve their best and be rewarded regardless of race, religion and socio-economic background.

## **THIS WILL LEAD TO SUCCESSFUL POLICIES AND DEVELOPMENT OF SG BECAUSE:**

→ providing a stake for everyone

- it allows all citizens to have a stake in matters affecting the country. the people can get the government to listen to their needs and concerns. the government is also able to take into consideration the welfare of the people when designing and implementing policies. this will help government meet the people's needs better. As such, the people are happy with the government. with constructive feedback, government policies can be changed to suit changing circumstances.

→ practising meritocracy

- when people are rewarded for their ability and hard work. the poor will not feel left out. people will feel happy and are therefore willing to contribute more towards the progress of the country. this encourages individuals to continue to work hard to make the fullest contribution to SG's development. this promotes development of Singapore.