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Alibaba launches talent programme in Singapore with support from NTU, EDB

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SINGAPORE (Sept 3): Alibaba Group on Monday launched the Alibaba Talent Programme in Singapore with support from Nanyang Technological University (NTU Singapore) and the Economic Development Board (EDB) under the Industrial Postgraduate Programme (IPP).

This talent programme is part of Alibaba's mission to nurture future research and development (R&D) talent in Singapore, especially in the field of computer science. It aims to equip postgraduate students with critical R&D skill-sets through gaining practical work experience on projects with Alibaba.

This programme is only open to Singapore citizens and Singapore Permanent Residents (PR) who have graduated from any local university or one of the select top-ranked universities around the world.

As PhD students, the programme participants will spend part of their studies at one or more of Alibaba's research facilities, including the Alibaba-NTU Singapore Joint Research Institute (JRI) at NTU, and various Alibaba's China campuses in Hangzhou and Beijing.

With this programme, students will be able to grasp the opportunity to participate in exciting research projects led by Alibaba and universities here, supported with access to large data samples and valuable business scenarios from Alibaba.

As part of the scholarship's focus on advancing R&D in computer science areas, candidates must have a bachelor's or a master's degree in Computer

Science/Engineering, Electrical, Electronic, Mathematics, Physics or other related subjects.

Prospective scholars should also be pursuing postgraduate Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) studies in one of the following areas: Artificial Intelligence, Quantum Computing, Internet of Things, Cloud Computing, Data Analytics, Cryptography and Security, among others.

Liu Xiangwen, Senior Director of Alibaba Technology Strategy Department, says, “Developing new and disruptive ideas is crucial, and we are committed to nurturing talent who would be the driving force of the next-wave of technology innovation.”

Professor Lam Khin Yong, Co-Chair of Alibaba-NTU Singapore Joint Research Institute and NTU’s Vice President (Research) says, “As NTU transforms into a Smart Campus, we will develop and testbed many of these digital technologies, to ensure that they are useful, robust and secure, giving our students an opportunity to be involved in projects with industry relevance. Our newly developed humanised AI can allow a more natural interaction interface for people while addressing societal and business needs.”

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