



Threat Observation

Definition



Process of identifying and responding to potential threats



Involves observing people, vehicles, activities, and/or objects at any given moment



What is Terrorism?

Violence or threat of violence

Create fear and instability in societies for a political aim

A means to an end

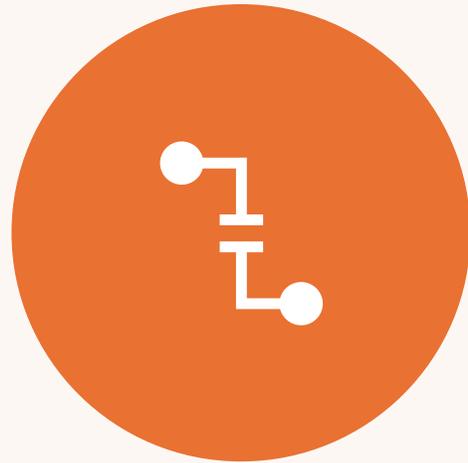
Objectives of this training:
Recognize and respond to threats

Person-borne threats

Vehicle-borne threats

Object-based threats

Types of terrorist attacks



LONE WOLF ATTACK - AN ATTACK BY SOMEONE WHO
COMMITS THE VIOLENT ACT ALONE, OUTSIDE OF ANY
COMMAND STRUCTURE AND WITHOUT ASSISTANCE
FROM ANY GROUP.



GROUP ATTACK – A COORDINATED ASSAULT ON THE
TARGET BY GROUPS OF ATTACKERS.

Common Methods and Modus Operandi (MO)

Knife, axe

Active shooter (firearms)

Vehicles (car, truck)

Suicide bomber

Current trends of terrorism

- Growing links between various terrorist groups.
- Emerging threats such as far-right extremism.
- Self-radicalisation of individuals.
- Increase in number and frequency of terrorist attacks.



Tell-tale signs of a person-borne IED

- Oversized clothes
- Electrical wires protruding from underneath clothing/bag
- Hiding or disguise identity
- Placing an object in crowded area and leaving immediately
- Asking for sensitive information
- Uncooperative

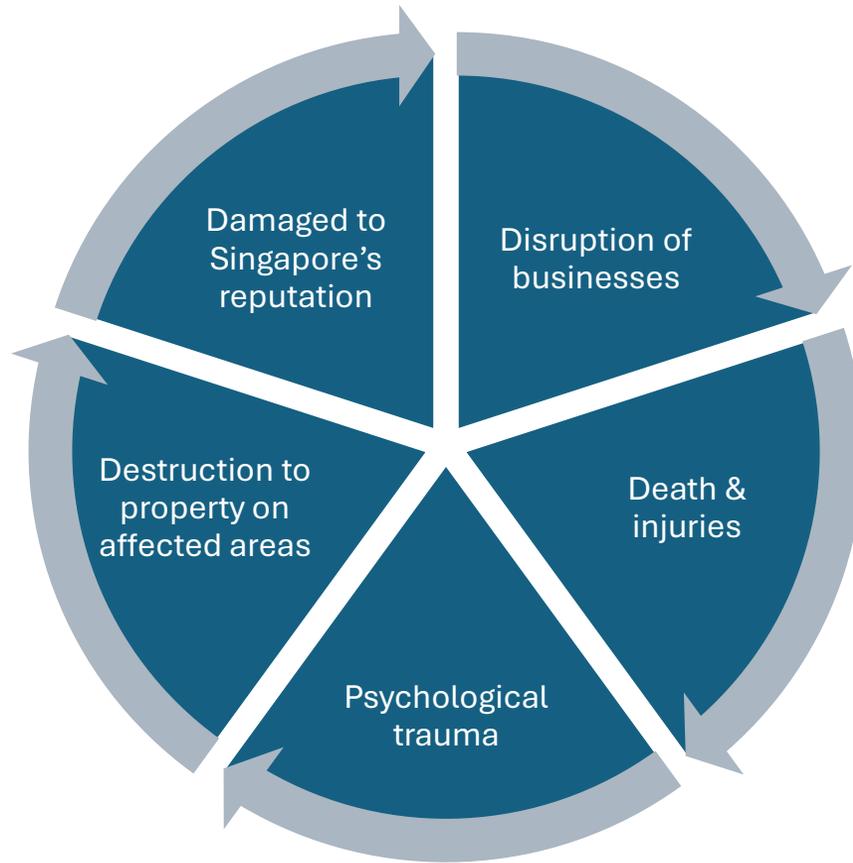


Tell-tale signs of vehicle-borne IED

- Vehicle carrying flammable items or suspicious items
- Vehicle carrying heavy load
- Foreign objects seen underneath or at the wheels of vehicle
- Signs of vehicle being tampered with



Impact of a successful terrorist attack on Singapore



Real-Life Incident

- In 2023, EJS and its partners conducted several red-teaming exercises at all deployment sites.
- For this training package, we will be referencing to the exercises conducted at SMRT deployment sites.
- As it is a public transport, it tests the security officers' ability to recognize a threat in the shortest possible time and to make a call.
- A red-teamer carries a 50L bag and was wearing a hoodie with mask on loitered for 10 minutes outside the gantry of Lorong Chuan MRT before finally tapping in to head for the platform.

Key observations

- SO Ng witness the red-teamer suspicious appearance and reported it to Station Manager (SM) immediately.
- SM requested SO Ng to monitor the person for time being.
- When red-teamer tapped into the gantry, SO Ng stopped him and requested to conduct a bag check.
- SM was informed and sent Assistant Station Manager (ASM) to assist with the checks.

Lesson learnt

Aware

Always be alert and responsive.

Skills

Utilise skills learnt from courses to better identify tell-tale signs.

Report

Report any suspicious incident to higher management and wait for further instructions.

Assistance

Do not approach and/or carry out any enforcement on a suspicious persons/object/vehicle without any assistance from management and/or authorities.