



August 2026 GSTV: Check Cash, MediSave and Scam Signals

Description

Eligible recipients who had already signed up will start receiving August 2026 GSTV payments from 7 August. Cash can be up to S\$850; eligible seniors can receive S\$150 to S\$450 in MediSave. Check the official GovBenefits portal with Singpass instead of clicking a payment link in a message.

This guide is for a Singaporean checking an August 2026 GST Voucher payment for themselves or an older family member. It resolves how to verify eligibility, expected payment type and safe notification channels without following a scam link while keeping the controlling source and the reader’s own evidence separate.

Choose the branch that matches your situation

Situation	Practical next step
Checking GSTV Cash	Use the official portal to verify income, property and payment status
Checking GSTV MediSave for a senior	Look for the credited CPF MediSave amount, not a bank transfer
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A payment is not visible on 7 August	Check the stated payment mode and portal status before assuming an error

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Separate Cash from MediSave

MOF announced up to S\$850 in GSTV Cash for about 1.5 million eligible adults and S\$150 to S\$450 in MediSave for about 710,000 eligible seniors. MediSave is credited to the CPF MediSave Account; it is not spending cash in a bank account. [MOF August 2026 GSTV release](#).

Use the correct eligibility year

The 2026 cash amount depends on Assessable Income for Year of Assessment 2025 and the Annual Value of the place of residence, together with scheme conditions. Do not substitute today's salary or a property estimate for the official assessment. [MOF August 2026 GSTV release](#).

Read and start carefully

Payments start from 7 August for eligible people who signed up previously. The actual receipt route and timing can depend on PayNow-NRIC, bank details or another mode. A later arrival is not proof of ineligibility or fraud. [MOF August 2026 GSTV release](#).

Verify notifications without clicking

MOF says the gov.sg SMS tells citizens about benefits but will not ask for a reply, link click or information. Government officials will not ask for a transfer or bank login over a call. Open GovBenefits independently. [MOF August 2026 GSTV release](#).

Help a senior without taking control

Let the recipient sign in through Singpass or use an authorised assistance channel. Do not ask them to forward one-time passwords or let a caller remotely control a device. The safe task is verifying status, not moving the benefit. [GovBenefits official portal](#).

Build a two-column household check

For each person, record Cash eligibility and payment mode separately from MediSave eligibility and CPF credit. Add the official status date and do not mix one person's income or property facts with another's. [GovBenefits official portal](#).

Use 1799 when a message feels wrong

MOF directs uncertain recipients to the 24/7 ScamShield Helpline at 1799. Preserve the suspicious message, but do not reply, call its embedded number or disclose credentials. [MOF August 2026 GSTV release](#).

A worked decision example

A 70-year-old receives an SMS mentioning GSTV. A family member opens govbenefits.gov.sg independently, lets the senior authenticate securely, checks Cash and MediSave as separate entries and compares the official payment mode. No link in the message is used. This is a safety workflow, not an eligibility determination.

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Put the decision into a working file

1. Open GovBenefits by typing the official address
2. Check Cash and MediSave separately
3. Confirm the relevant income and property assessment
4. Read the payment mode and status
5. Reject requests for replies, transfers or bank logins
6. Call 1799 if the notification appears suspicious

Work through the list in order and attach a date, owner and proof to every completed item. If a live service, professional decision or authority response differs from this general guide, retain that response and follow the controlling requirement.

Mistakes that weaken the result

- Treating MediSave as bank cash
- Using current salary instead of the official assessment
- Assuming every payment arrives at the same time
- Clicking a benefit link in an SMS
- Sharing Singpass or bank credentials

These errors usually arise when a deadline, definition, payment route or live condition is assumed instead of checked. Stop before the consequential step if the evidence does not match the selected branch.

Before acting, reopen MOF August 2026 GSTV release and GovBenefits official portal, confirm that the relevant date, definition and service status still match the case, and save the outcome beside the supporting record. If the facts fall between two branches, use the authority's contact channel or an appropriately qualified adviser instead of forcing a convenient answer. The checklist earns its keep by creating an audit trail: what was checked, which source controlled, who decided, when the next deadline falls and what evidence proves completion. Recheck immediately before any payment, filing, booking or other irreversible commitment.

Continue with the adjacent task

Once this decision is recorded, [verify a government message before acting](#). Then [check suspicious messages with ScamShield](#). Each link solves a separate next-step question rather than repeating GST Voucher August 2026 payment Singapore.

Questions readers ask about GST Voucher August 2026 payment Singapore

When do August 2026 payments start?

From 7 August 2026 for eligible recipients who previously signed up. [MOF August 2026 GSTV release](#).

How much is GSTV Cash?

Up to S\$850, depending on the official eligibility factors. [GovBenefits official portal](#).

Will a genuine SMS ask me to click or reply?

MOF says gov.sg notifications will not ask recipients to reply, click links or provide information. [MOF August 2026 GSTV release](#).

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