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As a retired Government servant for nearly 10 years, I would take this opportunity to clarify the following:

Whether I am still eligible for free medical services which I have been enjoying so far? What measures are to be introduced in the new era where I can still enjoy an efficient and effective medical services which are being eroded with shortage of skilful and experienced staff and supporting equipments? Why? I have never been able to make an telephone appointments in any family clinics and if the telephone is through, the answer is 'Sorry, all bookings are full for the day, the week and the month' When the Government keeps on employing high-ranking officials for its 'justified needs', the Colonial days high-ranking officials receiving 20,000-30,000 dollars per months have been reduced to nothing! What measures will be introduced to accord them with similar status when these days, a young guy, on appointment, normally receives a salary of 50,000-60,000 dollars per months! (an exaggeration?) Why can't Government cut down some of the unnecessary and luxurious items to provide a good budget for this big issue, such as 'grand plan' to retain the so-called Queen Pier on reclaimed which needs huge restoration construction costs and its subsequent maintenance fees until the Judgment Day. Why can't Government stop paying some social benefits which have tempted people to cheat and no one seems to care how to control malpractices which only come to light upon complaining rather than taking initiatives to curb them. If someone can bother to plug up some leaks in a sinking vessel, the financial burden on this top priority can be resolved to some extent. Like the salaries of some 'political assistants' apart from few, none of them seems to know the working of the Government machinery. Hence, it is expected more referrals are bound to flow inside Government departments to help them out. Hence, redundancy breeds. I think their combined salaries can be better employed to the medical field to help out the old and sick who were once one of the main economy contributors to the economical and financial paths years ago. Don't forget a solicitor can argue both way whosoever pays him for the case. I would appreciate if Mr York Chow can favour me a reply as I am deeply impressed that he is not a 'Yes' man nor a 'Shoe Shine' boy among a bunch of such nature high-ranking officers.

Thanks U for your attention.