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1. Providing more assistance to buying house

A key reason contributed to the difficulty in building a family is buying a house. In recent years, the price of housing has drastically increased a lot. In traditional Chinese culture, buying a new house is an essential component of family, and a sign of independent from parents. However, this can't be accomplished easily in Hong Kong nowadays as house is unaffordable to most of the young adults. This blocks them from building up their family. Therefore, the first things has to be done is providing more support to couple going to marriage.

The government should provide more support, such as low rate loan, and continue with original policy to suppress the price of housing. This can facilitate the building up of new family.

2. Providing more support to couples who have given birth to baby

In my opinion, the reason why fertility drops is mainly due to the high cost required nowadays to raise a baby. Many families are afraid of raising a child, especially after the calculation by some organization that raising a child need two million dollars in average. It is not difficult to understand their concern, not only they have to pay a lot of efforts to grow him up, they also have to earn a lot of money. This creates a massive pressure on them, and blocks their way to give birth to baby.

Hence, the government should provide more support after a couple has given birth to a new baby, such as providing more tax allowance to the couple, and perhaps even providing direct subsidy for them. This can help to alleviate the high pressure of the family, and hence can help to increase fertility in Hong Kong.