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Comments:

Quite a number of mothers in HK are working full time, these families usually rely on foreign domestic helpers in taking care of their kids. In review of this, employing and dealing with issues of these domestic helpers are really discouraging to many parents in HK.

Taking my family as an example, my husband and myself working full time to sustain our mortgaged house and living, I have to rely on my domestic helper in raising up my child in weekdays office hours which we don't have a better choice. Though the performance of the domestic helper may not be satisfied at all, we still need her because it takes time and costs to find a new one and the performance of the new one may not guarantee or even worst than that.

Gov't could have some measures as follows:

1. Implementing home office or flexible office hours, such as tax rebate to attract companies to join
2. To open more public Whole Day Child Care Facilities in those districts in response to the census data of child/new born population as well as catering the full time working parents' need
3. Review the practices from other countries such as UK, to implement a longer maternity leave until child becomes 2. From 0-2 years old is a crucial period to raising up a baby to kid.
4. Cash sponsor to those families giving birth

Importing foreign helpers to HK is not a long-term solution. It harms the local work force and ignore the population who really want to have a job in HK. This measure would be only topping up the burden of social welfare assistance.