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**> Affordable homes**  
Instead of asking the Government to ease the requirements for getting bank loans, housing developers should build more houses which the masses can afford to buy.

**> Online check**  
Is it possible to check for unclaimed money online? – Citizen

**> Prompt action required**  
Septuagenarian challenged to a fist fight in court by a lawyer in front of the judge? Really? The judge should have taken immediate disciplinary action on the lawyer otherwise he could be considered incompetent or complicit. – Prof (B)

**> Opening hours**  
Yesterday, I went with an elderly relative for her doctor's appointment at Klinik Pakar 1 in Batu Pahat. We reached the counter at 7.20am to get a number but it was not open yet. When it opened at 7.47am, there were over 40 patients waiting. This counter should open earlier so that elderly patients need not stand in the queue for about half an hour. The counter at Sultanah Aminah Hospital in JB opens early for the convenience of patients. – CT Tan

**> Fighting crime**  
Hello, politicians. There's news of snatch thefts every day. Snatch thefts are related to drugs, which are also connected to gangs, and gangsterism is related to corruption. Define your policies to fight drugs, gangsterism and corruption and include these in your election manifesto. People are tired and disappointed. – I DUNO

**> Lights out**  
No point in making side streets near Jalan Alor beautiful unless the streetlights are working. Some have not worked for years. Prioritise. – Guy KL

**> Unruly kids**  
There are unruly brats who make noise at ungodly hours, litter the neighbourhood and create all kinds of havoc with no action from the parents to curb their behaviour. Can we put them down, too? Mr Choong is advocating a humane solution to the stray dog problem.

**> Show respect**  
The Chinese are still celebrating CNY. Politicians, please do not use rough words to attack or criticise one another. We need to respect each other's traditions and culture during their festival.

**> Time for action**  
It's March already and we are awaiting the implementation of the Malaysian Indian blueprint. The leaders concerned should seriously look into this before the impending general election. – Subra