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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am strongly against the proposal of introducing GST because it would not only hurt those grass roots, but also segments which have contributed a lot in the past but left the workforce now for various reasons like company restructure, government early retirement scheme, physically unfit for working, and etc. They support themselves using their own savings because there's no social benefit available to them. They have to pay their own medical bills without any government subsidy. Taking myself as an example, I have paid \$50K to \$120K salary tax per annum for the past 20 years. Without getting much in return from the society, I contributed willingly without any complaint because I was able to earn and proud of being able to do so. And yet when I left the workforce and I support my livings all by myself, the government is planning to tax me doubly. Is this fair? I think the answer is obvious. The worst is I will be taxed for private doctor consultation. Under the GST scheme, to help myself out I could cut my personal consumption, but unfortunately I have no choice for my private doctor consultation for health reason. I could consider the scheme to penalize those earn for self-support people.

Best regards
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