Celebrations offer a platform to ‘campaign’

Tomorrow, the gregarious Lim has an evening with the Section 14 Residents Association in Petaling Jaya for their Chinese New Year open house, while on Saturday, he’ll be at UPM and Section 21 Sea Park Residents Association for their respective Chinese New Year celebrations.

“I’m not campaigning but meeting constituents. I do that every Chinese New Year,” he said when asked if it was wrong. However, Lim conceded the functions provided a platform for him to woo voters.

“Letting voters see you and speak to you is always a plus,” Federal Territory MCA chief and Bandar Tun Razak incumbent Datuk Tan Chai Ho will be partying with the people well after Chap Goh Meh.

He will be distributing aid and ang pow packets on Wednesday to the underprivileged in the constituency.

The affable Lim will host a meet-the-people session in conjunction with Chinese New Year celebrations on nomination day and two days later attend a PPR Kg Muhibbah Chinese New Year do.

“I never make any statements that they should vote for me or support the Barisan Nasional. I just show up and mingle,” Tan said.

The DAP’s Damansara Utama aspirant, Dr Cheah Wing Yin said the functions offered an opportunity for him to meet voters.

“Whether they vote for me is a separate issue,” said Dr Cheah who is making his debut in politics.

He will be attending the SS4 Residents Association Chinese New Year gathering on Sunday.

Independent Chong Hon Min, who won the Sandakan seat in the last polls, said he will be attending a slew of Chinese New Year functions from Wednesday to Saturday.

These included the Chinese New Year open house by the Hakka Association on Wednesday and the Foo Chew Association Chap Goh Meh dinner on Thursday.

Chong said attending these functions would not hurt his chances at the polls.

“It is better for me to be around, hopefully people will see me, get a good impression and vote for me come polling day,” he said.