

Wong Chen Kelana Jaya

Constituency Newsletter



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Greetings from your Member of Parliament

Dear Kelana Jayans,

This is my fourth newsletter to my constituents in Kelana Jaya. My team and I will continue to issue a newsletter every six months to update you of our latest activities.

2014 was a very difficult year for the nation. We suffered three airplane tragedies and our East Coast states were hit by extreme floods. On the political front, we have seen sedition charges being used to silent dissent. We sat through the farcical trial of Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim. We have also seen the rise of extremist views on religious and racial fronts. In Selangor, the change of MB saga was tumultuous. The economy produced good results in the first two quarters only to see these results eclipsed by sluggish 3rd and 4th quarters and a dramatic fall in crude oil prices. Corruption and poor governance remains high and 1MDB continues to embarrass and haunt the Najib Administration.

Despite the above unhappy issues, my last six months as your Parliamentarian have been a productive one. In Parliament, I led the fight against the Inland Revenue Board Investment Panel Bill and we finally saw conclusion to the controversial bill. In October 2014, BN removed 95% content of the bill, essentially killing off the Investment Panel idea. The defeat of this bill gives us hope. It proves that MPs, even from the Opposition can actually make a difference.

On debates in Parliament, I am getting more comfortable in my delivery and arguments. My staff is also improving in their research works. In short, we are getting better at our primary duty, which is to scrutinize and advance the policy and law making process in Parliament. The last Parliamentary session from 7th October to 27th November was a breakthrough of sorts for me in terms of responsibilities and duties. I chaired the Pakatan Rakyat Budget team and wrote the major portions of the budget document. I also debated on wide range of policies including finance, income tax, commodities, taxes, derivatives and equity to debt swaps.

On the community work, I am very happy to report that we have completed all our community projects for Desa Ria within budget and on time. My team of volunteers messrs Leong, Ho, Wyhow and Phang harassed and cajoled donors, engineers, architect and contractors to deliver the staircases and kindergarten upgrades in Desa Ria. The Office of YB Nik Nazmi aslo helped us with generous financial support. Other notable projects that we did included the medical camps in Desa Mentari, Desa Ria and Angsana USJ1 working with volunteer doctors, hospitals and BCWA. In Subang Jaya, the residential communities continue to be supportive of YB Hannah Yeoh's good work. It is from her good services that I too get to enjoy serving the happy constituents in Subang Jaya.

**Wong Chen
Kelana Jaya**

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For 2015, my office will move on from Desa Ria and try to tackle the much bigger issue of Desa Mentari. Since YB Nik Nazmi has assumed the post of State EXCO on Education, we will be working with his office to try to implement some very cost effective tuition centres based on the Sister Stella model in Desa Mentari. My office has also committed to help out in Ladang Glenmarie, another lower income area to fix their kindergarten and also do minor repairs of the community hall.

Lastly, please note that our 2014 accounts are attached in this newsletter for public scrutiny.

I wish you all a happy and healthy 2015.

Yours sincerely



**Wong Chen
MP Kelana Jaya**

Third Meeting of Parliament (7 Oct – 27 Nov 2014)

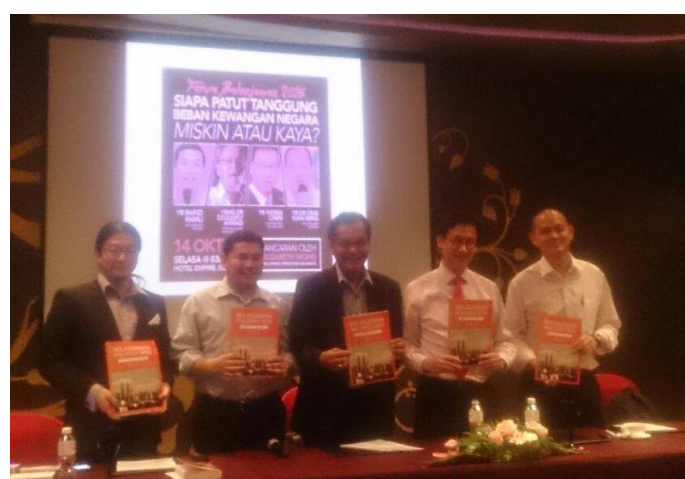
The most recent session of Parliament was the busiest and longest session of the year. The 2015 Federal Budget was tabled on the 10th of October 2014 and debated until the 25th of November 2014. Aside from submitting my 15 Parliamentary questions to various Ministers, my office centered our preparations on work with the Pakatan Rakyat Budget Committee.

Pakatan Rakyat 2015 Budget Committee

This year, I was part of the Pakatan Rakyat Budget Committee along with YB Rafizi Ramli, YBhg Dr Dzulkifly Ahmad and YB Dr Ong Kian Ming. My office staff and I worked on fiscal analyses for the Alternative Budget for 6 weeks and the Budget was launched on the 9th of October.



1: Pakatan MPs at the Launch of the PR Budget in Parliament.



2: From left Yin Shao Loong, Rafizi Ramli, Dr Dzulkifly, Wong Chen and Dr Ong Kian Ming.

On the 14th October 2014, the Budget Committee organised a Budget Forum in Subang Jaya and took questions from an audience of approximately 200.

You can access an online copy of the Pakatan Rakyat 2015 Budget at www.keadilanrakyat.org.

Parliamentary Debates on the Federal Budget

As your Member of Parliament, I took on two Ministries in debating the 2015 Federal Budget; the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) and the Ministry of Plantations and Commodities.

I continued to scrutinize the government on the TPPA negotiations. This time I highlighted the government's lack of transparency in not releasing the interim cost benefit report. Next year I will continue to monitor all developments of the TPPA negotiations and continue to pressure the government to release all studies and reports to MPs and the general public.



3: The TPPA issue I raised received coverage in the Sun.

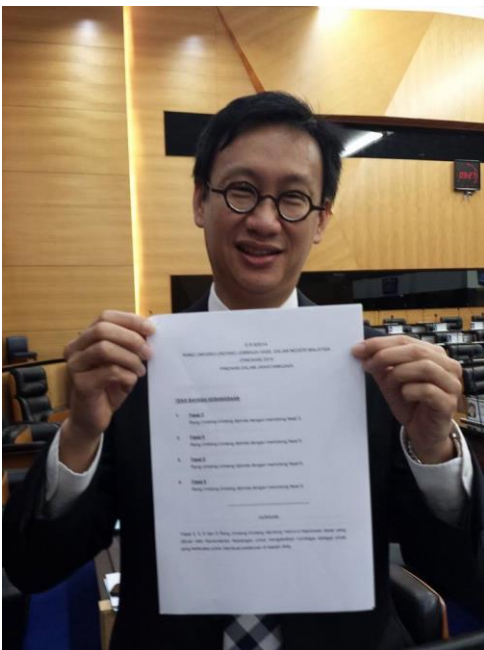
The next press conference I held brought the issue of budget slashes for the promotion of palm oil to the forefront. The government said that this industry is important but allocated a mere 0.03% of total sales in export, which is an economic scandal of grave misallocation of public funds.

I also gave press statements on the issue of Capital Gains Tax, on BN cutting basic food subsidies and the government's accounting of MDV and Prasarana.

You can read all of my press statements and live updates from Parliament at www.wongchen.com.

Inland Revenue Board Act

As you may recall, the government tried to introduce the creation of an Investment Panel within the IRB in June 2014. They later withdrew the Bill after the issue gained national and international attention. In October, I noticed that the Bill was to be re-tabled in Parliament in exactly the same form as the draft presented in June. I immediately mobilized my staff to organize a press conference on the matter. One week later, I arrived in Parliament pleasantly surprised to find that the IRB Bill was amended yet again to remove the creation of the Investment Panel. This was truly a victory to savour for the Rakyat!



4: In Parliament with an amended copy of the IRB Bill.

Briefing on Income Tax Act

Earlier this year, I made a Facebook appeal for tax experts in my constituency to provide some input on an Income Tax Amendment Bill that was being tabled in Parliament. My office staff then met with two tax experts from the Kelana Jaya area and were consulted on the main implications of the amendments.

In November, my staff gave briefings to PKR and PAS MPs on the impact of the Bill and raised points for debate. It was great getting input from my constituents on this technical piece of legislation and I would like to thank my two constituents for their active participation in the legislative process.

Community Projects

My office has a policy of not organizing open houses for festivals as we have a limited budget and many people in need of help in our constituency. Instead, we try our best to use the allocation given to us on infrastructure repairs and community events that offer some kind of health or educational benefit to the constituents of Kelana Jaya.

Desa Ria

Mobile Health Clinic

In August 2014, we organised a mobile health clinic for residents in Desa Ria, a low-cost housing area in Kelana Jaya. The volunteers comprised of Moscow University Medical students and members of the Damansara Utara Methodist Church.



5: Temporary medical stations set up in the Desa Ria kindergarten.



6: Students, staff and volunteers at Desa Ria.

From 1pm to 5pm, we managed to serve a total of 187 residents, 50% of whom were children.

Staircase and Courtyard Revamp

Prior to the Desa Ria staircase repair project, the staircases of Desa Ria were in a terrible state. Vandalised and with most of its metal rails stolen, it posed a safety hazard for all, especially children.

In early January, we started looking for solutions. We managed to get an architect, engineers and quantity surveyors to help us out for free. We also looked for corporate sponsors for funding. Work started in August when we were able to raise an amount sufficient to fix all twelve staircases. The total funds raised was RM90,000. The project was completed on time and within budget.



7: Before and after images of Desa Ria staircases.



8: Before and after images of Desa Ria courtyards.

Renovation of Tabika Desa Ria

Tabika Desa Ria is a kindergarten that caters to 25 children between the ages of 4 to 6 years old from underprivileged backgrounds. We observed the poor physical condition of this school and decided to launch a project to improve the Tabika.

In August 2014, I assigned my interns the task of assembling a small library for the children as the first phase of this project.



9: With the children in their new library at Tabika Desa Ria.

Phase two began in September 2014 with a donation drive to fund renovation works to improve the physical condition of the kindergarten. Thanks to Sunway University students, Taylor's College students, Malaysian Volunteer Association and several other donors, we were able to raise RM15,000 for the installation of two ventilation fans, new tiling, plumbing and paint work. We will hold a viewing ceremony of the renovated Tabika for all donors in January 2015.



10: Sunway University representatives present their cheque to the Tabika.



11: Taylor's College students present their donation to the Tabika.



12: Tiling works at the Tabika in December 2014.



13: Ventilator fans being installed in the Tabika.

USJ 1 Free Breast Cancer Screening

We organised our second breast cancer screening in a series of screenings conducted in collaboration with the Breast Cancer Welfare Association (BCWA) on 29 November 2014 for residents of USJ 1 Angsana Flats. Our co-organisers were representatives of Masjid Al-Irsyad at USJ 1, where the event was held. We screened about 100 women in total. Next year, we plan to roll out 4 of the same programs, especially in the underprivileged areas of Kelana Jaya where there is generally a lack of health awareness.



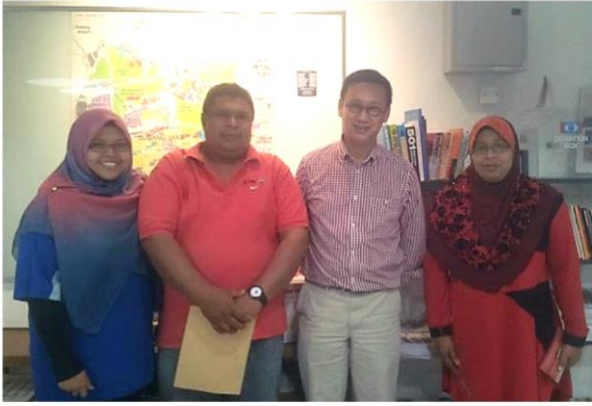
14: Residents waiting for their checkup at Masjid Al-Irsyad.

Welfare Cases

From May to June 2014, our office processed almost 300 welfare claims for the most needy in my constituency, which resulted in a complete exhaustion of my welfare allocation for the year. Despite this, we tried to find alternative ways to assist those who were in need. I prioritized cases involving educational or medical costs.

We primarily turned to the community for assistance and were pleasantly surprised to receive plenty of offers from good Samaritans in Kelana Jaya. I thank those who responded to our appeals. Here are some families my office was able to assist with the help of the community.

Encik Nasir came into my office to seek financial help to put down a RM 2,000 deposit for his daughter's entry to Universiti Utara Malaysia, who is the first out of six children to go to university. An anonymous couple from USJ offered to donate half of the deposit after I launched a Facebook appeal for Encik Nasir. His daughter will be studying finance in UUM and promises to update the donors on her results.



15: With Encik Nasir's family

Rishi's mother is a single mother with three schooling children. In spite of her eye disability, she does some work for a monthly income of about RM 600. She came into our office with her eldest, Rishi, to ask for some financial help so that she could buy a computer for Rishi, who is entering Form 5. As my allocation was used up, I contacted a previous donor from Sunway University and inquired if she knew any students who had a used laptop to give away. A few weeks later, Rishi received a laptop from a donor named Ron Lew. Rishi told us that he will study hard to fulfill his dream of becoming an aeronautical engineer.



16: With Rishi and his mother.

Yatesh is a 9 year-old boy with a heart condition. I met him and his family at the Mobile Health Clinic organised by my office at Desa Ria. Yatesh underwent surgery in 2007 and has since been recovering. He was advised to take multivitamins and I was informed that his family could not afford to buy them. At that time, his father had just lost his job as a van driver and his mother stayed home to take care of the five children. Considering my

welfare allocation had been spent, I sought help from the community. A few weeks later, we received a dozen bottles of multivitamins from an anonymous donor. Their family was very grateful to receive the donations.



17: Yatesh and his family with the donated multivitamins.

Ustaz Mutalib sought some financial assistance from our office to support some medical costs. He has four children below 12 and earns a monthly salary of RM 1,300. On top of that, his wife is unwell and unable to look after the children. I managed to match him up to a CSR fund set up by a university friend.



18: My staff with Ustaz Mutalib and his family.

Dialogue Sessions

Dialogue sessions are an opportunity for you to find out what occurred during Parliamentary sessions, what bills or issues were debated and to find out from the primary source where PKR and I stand on issues. More importantly, it allows direct question and answer time between you and your Member of Parliament.

From July till December 2014, I managed to conduct two community dialogues – one at Glenmarie and another at Kampung Lindungan.

The Glenmarie dialogue took place in September 2014, primarily in order for my office to present to them an official reply to a land status question that was posed earlier in the year. After communication with the state government, we explained the situation to the residents and engaged in question and answer.



19: At the Glenmarie Community Dialogue session.

In December 2014, I conducted my final community dialogue for the year at Masjid Al-Islamiah in Kampung Lindungan. The session was attended by some 150 people.



20: With representatives of Masjid Al-Islamiah at Kampung Lindungan.

To receive notifications on when and where I will be holding my dialogue sessions in 2015, please follow me on Facebook: www.facebook.com/wongchenpkr.

Fundraising Event

Every year my office has a target of raising RM 40,000 to cover the cost of running my office. We receive an allocation of RM 50,000 a year for administrative costs

from the Selangor government. We receive no allocation from the Federal government.

We have a monthly office expense of about RM 7,000 to RM 8,000 to operate with two full time staff, and hence, the need to fundraise. For transparency, we have included a copy of our annual accounts in this issue of our newsletter.

For the last quarter of 2014, we managed to sell 18 tables to a fundraising dinner and raised close to RM 19,000. A huge thank you to my organisers, volunteers and all donors of my fundraising initiatives.



21: Taking some questions from donors at my Fundraising Event.



You can send a donation to us via Internet banking, ATM or cheque. Please send an email to timothykang.wanli@gmail.com so that we can verify your donation. We will respect your privacy.

Name: Pusat Khidmat P104 Kelana Jaya
Account number: 564892109110 (Maybank)
Branch: 648928000; Mont Kiara, Kuala Lumpur

Interns

We had a great group of interns who assisted our office in constituency work and policy research. Here are the profiles of our interns from July till December 2014.

Liang Jia Hui interned with us during his semester break in July and August, after completing his first year in financial mathematics at Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh. Jia Hui did some statistical research on 1MDB and GST as an intern. He also helped with the Higher Education Complaint & Advisory Portal (HEAP) Keadilan.



22: Liang Jia Hui with Wong Chen at Parliament

Leong Hui Wen is currently studying pharmacy in the UK. She interned with us for one month during her semester break. She was very helpful with administrative tasks.

Liew Min Xiang is studying Economics at the University of Birmingham. He worked with my Research Officer on research into public procurement systems in Malaysia. He also did an initial write-up for a policy paper on the state procurement system and was also involved in other community projects.

Loo Ying Ning interned with us for two months. She said “I had the privilege of being surrounded by socially aware, intelligent individuals who believed in the potential of Malaysia – this made my weekdays preferable to the weekends which were dedicated to attending my Certificate in Legal Practice (CLP) classes in Brickfields Asia College (BAC)”.



23: Loo Ying Ning with Wong Chen at Parliament.

Wui Liem Gan is a law graduate who interned for two months between October and November. Together with Ying Ning and the office staff, they worked on the Pakatan Rakyat’s alternative budget. He said that he has learnt a lot from interning for Wong Chen and has come to realize that there is no ‘I’ in politics, but only how to better serve the people.



24: Staff and Interns with YB Rafizi Ramli at Parliament.



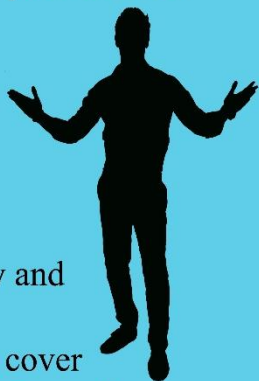
25: Kan Wai Min at our office in Kelana Jaya.

Kan Wai Min is currently a first-year student at Monash University Malaysia and is still interning with us. He provided plenty of help in the production of this newsletter. He has said that this internship has been very rewarding and interesting. His job scope as an intern so far involved research on electricity tariffs, helping out on social welfare cases, discovering Photoshop and more. He wants to do more for Malaysia, instead of just complaining. He strongly believes in the saying that the grass is greener where you water it.

We need interns!

Ever wanted to learn more about the Malaysian Parliamentary process? Curious to know what your Member of Parliament does? Join us for an internship. Depending on your skill set you can help us with national policy research, community service, or both.

You will receive a small allowance of RM20 a day and free lunch occasionally. Please send your CV and cover letter to gillian.wongchen@gmail.com



26: YB Hannah Yeoh and Wong Chen at SS15 Lantern Festival.



27: My office staff and MBPJ taking action on complaints made by residents of PJS10.



28: YB Wong Chen, YB Nik Nazmi and MBPJ Councillor Halimey with volunteers from Deloitte.

Recent Events in Photos



29: With YB Hannah Yeoh at the SS17 Anti-Dengue Campaign.



30: With MBPJ Councillor Halimey at the SS5 Halal Micro-Business Food Exhibition.



31: At PJS10 gotong-royong with MBPJ representatives.



32: With medical student volunteers from Moscow University at Desa Ria after the Mobile Health Clinic Drive.

2014 Office Accounts


Balance Sheet as at 31/12/2014

	Total
Assets	
Steel Cabinet	960.00
Fixtures & Fittings	5,597.10
Office Equipment	1,168.00
Cash in Hand	1,113.55
Cash at Bank	5,635.13
Total Assets	14,473.78
Liabilities	
Amount Owing to Wong Chen	40,873.90
Total Liabilities	40,873.90
Net Assets	(26,400.12)
Equity	
Balance b/f	(20,927.71)
Net Surplus as of Dec 2014	(5,472.41)
Balance as of 30th June	(26,400.12)
Diff	0.00


Income Statement													
Income	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Bank Interest Received	3.18	1.37	3.55	7.28	5.61	8.48	8.11	8.30	4.73	6.51	13.84	0.00	70.96
State Government Allocation	0.00	6,550.50	7,093.10	7,672.35	(1,855.40)	19,155.80	8,564.05	2,819.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00
Donation	0.00	0.00	8,900.00	14,350.00	2,300.00	0.00	2,847.00	2,600.00	0.00	36,274.40	12,402.00	2,000.00	81,673.40
MBPJ Deposit Refund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Claim from Land Office Program Pemeriksaan Kanser Payu Dara Desa Mentari	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,989.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,989.95
Total Income													131,744.36
Expenses													
Cheque Book Stamp duty	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(15.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(15.00)
Rental	(1,300.00)	(1,300.00)	(1,300.00)	(1,300.00)	(1,300.00)	(1,300.00)	(1,329.10)	(1,300.00)	(1,300.00)	(1,300.00)	(1,300.00)	(1,300.00)	(15,629.10)
Salary	(4,000.00)	0.00	(8,000.00)	(4,500.00)	(4,000.00)	(4,000.00)	(4,500.00)	(6,000.00)	(4,000.00)	(4,000.00)	(10,137.60)	(4,000.00)	(57,137.60)

Office supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(291.77)	0.00	(291.77)
Utility	(535.20)	(459.90)	(503.2 5)	(648.2 5)	(523.0 5)	(559.2 0)	(564.6 0)	(633.25)	(602.75)	(762.70)	(588.70)	0.00	(6,380.85)
Contractor work	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Socso	(156.10)	0.00	(136.6 0)	(68.30)	19.50	(68.30)	(164.8 0)	(102.45)	(68.30)	(68.30)	(78.05)	(68.30)	(960.00)
KWSP	(1,480. 00)	0.00	(1,040. 00)	(520.0 0)	440.00	(520.0 0)	(1,545. 00)	(780.00)	(520.00)	(520.00)	(740.00)	440.00	(6,785.00)
Office staff expenses	(410.80)	0.00	(806.7 0)	(346.5 0)	(258.1 0)	(401.1 5)	(258.1 5)	(524.45)	(377.45)	(436.80)	(333.40)	(308.55)	(4,462.05)
Loan w/off	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(2,000.00)	0.00	(2,000.00)
Petty Cash expenses	(1,669. 95)	0.00	(1,515. 05)	0.00	(2,505. 05)	0.00	(2,704. 40)	0.00	(181.00)	0.00	(2,245.20)	0.00	(10,820.65)
Printing costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(139.60)	0.00	0.00	(139.60)
Sewerage	0.00	(173.90)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(29.10)	0.00	(203.00)
Event expenses	0.00	0.00	(1,250. 00)	(6,796. 20)	0.00	0.00	(4,849. 95)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(19,496.00)	0.00	(32,392.15)
Total Expense													(137,216.77)
Net													(5,472.41)

THE WORK AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE OFFICE OF YB WONG CHEN



We serve all residents in the Kelana Jaya Parliamentary Constituency, which includes Subang Jaya, USJ, PSJ 5-10 (Desa Mentari), Taman Glenmarie, Kelana Jaya, SS3, SS5, SS7, SS8, SS9



Who do we serve?

What can we do for you?

Parliament

Raise national issues on your behalf

Represent Kelana Jaya on policies and laws – and update residents on all national issues

Welfare & Medical

Apply for medical aid and increase welfare payments

Apply for medical fee exemptions

Connect with welfare and medical NGOs

Citizenship issues

Apply for blue Ic and issue letter of support

Follow up with JPN and immigration