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"CHAP GOH MEI" CELEBRATIONS AT DANGA BAY ON MARCH 5 Free Mandarin oranges to all visitors

JOHOR BAHRU, Thurs (March 5, 2015) Huge crowds of people are expected to throng Danga Bay here on March 5 to commemorate "Chap Goh Mei" or the 15th day of the Lunar New Year celebrations.

Organised by the Johor State Tourism Department in association with Iskandar Waterfront Holdings, the event will showcase a musical and fireworks extravaganza, in addition to the free distribution of Mandarin oranges to all visitors.

"This is the climax of the Lunar New Year festivities in Johor. We welcome people from all walks of life to come and enjoy the celebrations," said State Executive councilor Datuk Tee Siew Kiong.

He said the hour-long musical show at the Danga Bay Convention Centre (DBCC) beginning at 8.30pm will feature performances by top artistes like Datuk Siti Nurhaliza and comedian Harith iskandar.

While seating in the DBCC is restricted to invited guests only, members of the public will also be able to catch the performances as it will be relayed "live" on giant screens at Celebration Square in Danga Bay.

Tee, who is also State Tourism, Domestic Trade and Consumerism Committee Chairman, said there will also be a 10-minute long fireworks display to mark the festivities.

"This fireworks display will light up the skies in a spectacular way. This is a must-see event and I encourage everybody not to miss this opportunity," added Tee.

He said in keeping with the Chinese New Year tradition, all visitors will also be presented with free Mandarin oranges as a symbol of good luck and prosperity. Specials booths will be set up outside the DBCC where visitors can collect them.

Tee said various other exciting and colourful displays, including lion dance performances, will also be held to mark "Chap Goh Mei".

"This will be a great way to usher in the Lunar New Year. We invite whole families and visitors to join in the festivities," he said

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