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Public Grievances and Pensions
(Department of Personnel and Training)

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Subject: Holidays to be observed in Central Government Offices during the year 2010.

It has been decided that the holidays as specified in the Annexure -I to this O.M. will be observed in all the Administrative Offices of the Central Government located at Delhi/New Delhi during the year 2010. In addition, each employee will also be allowed to avail himself/herself of any two holidays to be chosen by him/her out of the list of Restricted Holidays in Annexure - II.

2. Central Government Administrative Offices located outside Delhi/ New Delhi shall observe the following holidays compulsorily in addition to three holidays as per para 3.1 below:

- 1. REPUBLIC DAY**
- 2. INDEPENDENCE DAY**
- 3. MAHATMA GANDHI'S BIRTHDAY**
- 4. BUDHA PURNIMA**
- 5. CHRISTMAS DAY**
- 6. DUSSEHRA (VIJAY DASHMI)**
- 7. DIWALI (DEEPAVALI)**
- 8. GOOD FRIDAY**
- 9. GURU NANAK'S BIRTHDAY**
- 10. IDU'L FITR**
- 11. IDU'L ZUHA**

12. MAHAVIR JAYANTI

13. MUHARRAM

14. PROPHET MOHAMMAD'S BIRTHDAY (ID-E-MILAD)

3.1. In addition to the above 14 Compulsory holidays mentioned in para 2, three holidays shall be decided from the list indicated below by the Central Government Employees Welfare Coordination Committee in the State Capitals, if necessary, in consultation with Coordination Committees at other places in the State. The final list applicable uniformly to all Central Government offices within the concerned State shall be notified after seeking prior approval of this Ministry and no change can be carried out thereafter. It is also clarified that no change is permissible in regard to festivals and dates as indicated.

1. AN ADDITIONAL DAY FOR DUSSEHRA

2. HOLI

3. JANAMASHTAMI (VAISHNAVI)

4. RAM NAVAMI

5. MAHA SHIVRATRI

6. GANESH CHATURTHI /VINAYAK CHATURTHI

7. MAKAR SANKARANTI

8. RATH YATRA

9. ONAM

10. PONGAL

11. SRI PANCHAMI /BASANTA PANCHAMI

12. VISHU/VAISAKHI /VAISAKHADI /BHAG BIHU/MASHADI UGADI/CHAITRA SAKLADI/CHETI CHAND/GUDI PADA 1st NAVRATRA/NAURAJ

3.2 No substitute holiday should be allowed if any of the festival

holidays initially declared subsequently happens to fall on a weekly off or any other non-working day or in the event of more than one festivals falling on the same day.

4. The list of Restricted Holidays appended to this O.M. is meant for Central Government Offices located in Delhi/New Delhi. The Coordination Committees at the State Capitals may draw up separate list of Restricted Holidays keeping in view the occasions of local importance but the 9 occasions left over, after choosing the 3 variable holidays in para 3.1 above, are to be included in the list of restricted holidays.

5.1 For offices in Delhi/New Delhi, any change in the date of holidays in respect of Idu'l Fitr, Idul Zuha, Muharram and Id-e-Milad, if necessary, depending upon sighting of the Moon, would be declared by the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions after ascertaining the position from the Govt. of NCT of Delhi.

5.2 For offices outside Delhi/New Delhi, the Central Government Employees Welfare Coordination Committees at the State Capitals are authorised to change the date of holiday, if necessary, based on the decision of the concerned State Governments/Union Territories, in respect of Idul Fitr, Idul Zuha, Muharram and Id-e-Milad.

5.3 It may happen that the change of date of the above occasions has to be declared at a very short notice. In such a situation, announcement could be made through T.V./A.I.R./Newspapers and the Heads of Department/Offices of the Central Government may take action according to such an announcement without waiting for a formal order, about the change of date.

6. During 2010, Diwali (Deepavali) falls on Friday, November 5, 2010 (Kartika' 14). In certain States, the practice is to celebrate the occasion a day in advance, i.e., on "Narakachaturdasi Day". In view of this, there is no objection if holiday on account of Deepavali is observed on "Naraka Chaturdasi Day (in place of Deepavali Day) for the Central Government Offices in a State if in that State that day alone is declared as a compulsory holiday for Diwali for the offices of the State Government. However, in the year 2010, Diwali (Deepavali) and Narak Chaturdasi Day, both

are falling on the same day i.e. November 5, 2010.

7. Central Government Organisations which include industrial, commercial and trading establishments would observe upto 16 holidays in a year including three national holidays viz. Republic Day, Independence Day and Mahatma Gandhi's birthday, as compulsory holidays. The remaining holidays/occasions may be determined by such establishments/organisations themselves for the year 2010, subject to para 3.2 above.

8. Union Territory Administrations shall decide the list of holidays in terms of Ministry of Home Affairs letter No. 14046/27/83- GP-I dated 15.2.1984 by which they would observe a total of 16 holidays including the three National Holidays Viz. Republic Day, Independence Day & Mahatma Gandhi's birthday.

9. In respect of Indian Missions abroad, the number of holidays may be notified in accordance with the instructions contained in this Department's O.M. No. 12/5/2002-JCA dated 17th December, 2002. In other words, they will have the option to select 11 (Eleven) holidays of their own after including in the list, three National Holidays and Milad-Un-Nabi or Id-E-Milad, Mahavir Jayanti, Idu'l Fitr, Dussehra (Vijaya Dashami), Guru Nanak's Birthday, Christmas Day included in the list of compulsory holidays and falling on day of weekly off.

10. In respect of Banks, the holidays are restricted to 15 days in a year in terms of the instructions issued by the Department of Economic Affairs (Banking Division).

11. Hindi version will follow.

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ANNEXURE-I

LIST OF GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOLIDAYS DURING THE YEAR 2010 FOR DELHI /NEW DELHI OFFICES

S. No.	Holiday	Date		1931 ERA	SAKA	Day
1.	Republic Day	January	26	Magha	06	Tuesday
2.	Milad-Un-Nabi or Id-E-Milad (Birthday of Prophet Mohammad)	February	27	Phalguna	08	Saturday
3.	Holi	March	01	Phalguna	10	Monday
				1932 SAKA ERA		
4.	Ram Navami	March	24	Chaitra	03	Wednesday
5.	Mahavir Jayanti	March	28	Chaitra	07	Sunday
6.	Good Friday	April	02	Chaitra	12	Friday
7.	Buddha Purnima	May	27	Jyaistha	06	Thursday
8.	Independence Day	August	15	Sravana	24	Sunday
9.	Janamashtami (Vaisnava)	September	02	Bhadra	11	Thursday
10.	Idu'l Fitr	September	11	Bhadra	20	Saturday
11.	Mahatma Gandhi's birthday	October	02	Asvina	10	Saturday
12.	Dussehra (Vijaya Dashami)	October	17	Asvina	25	Sunday
13.	Diwali (Deepavali)	November	05	Kartika	14	Friday
14.	Idu'l Zuha	November	17	Kartika	26	Wednesday

	(Bakrid)					
15.	Guru Nanak's birthday	November	21	Kartika	30	Sunday
16.	Muharram	December	17	Agrahayana	26	Friday
17.	Christmas Day	December	25	Pausa	04	Saturday

ANNEXURE-II

LIST OF GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RESTRICTED HOLIDAYS DURING THE YEAR 2010 FOR DELHI/NEW DEL HI OFFICES.

S. No	Holiday	Date		SAKA ERA 1931	Day	
1.	New Year's Day	January	01	Pausa	11	Friday
2.	Guru Gobind Singh's birthday	January	05	Pausa	15	Tuesday
3.	Makar Sankranti	January	14	Pausa	24	Thursday
4.	Pongal (South India)	January	14	Pausa	24	Thursday
5.	Basanta Panchami / Sri Panchami	January	20	Pausa	30	Wednesday
6.	Guru Ravidas' birthday	January	30	Magha	10	Saturday
7.	Swami Dayanand Birthday	February	08	Magha	19	Monday
8.	Maha Shivratri	February	12	Magha	23	Friday
9.	Shivaji Jayanti	February	19	Magha	30	Friday
10.	Holika Dahan (Dol yatra)	February	28	Phalguna	09	Sunday
11.	Chaitra Sukladi/Gudi Padava/ Ugadi/ Cheti Chand	March	16	Phalguna	25	Tuesday

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12.	Easter (Sunday)	April	04	Chaitra	14	Sunday
13.	Vaisakhi	April	14	Chaitra	24	Wednesday
14.	Vishu	April	14	Chaitra	24	Wednesday
15.	Mesadi	April	14	Chaitra	24	Wednesday
16.	Vaisakhadi(Bengal) / Bahag Bihu (Assam)	April	15	Chaitra	25	Thursday
17.	Guru Rabindranath's Birthday	May	09	Vaisakha	19	Sunday
18.	Hazarat Ali's Birthday	June	26	Asadha	05	Saturday
19.	Rath Yatra	July	13	Asadha	22	Tuesday
20.	Parsi New Year's day	August	19	Sravana	28	Thursday
21.	Onam	August	23	Bhadra	01	Monday
22.	Raksha Bandhan	August	24	Bhadra	02	Tuesday
23.	Jamat-UI-Vida	September	10	Bhadra	19	Friday
24.	Ganesh Chaturthi / Vinayaka Chaturthi	September	11	Bhadra	20	Saturday
25.	(Maha Saptami) (Additional)	October	14	Asvina	22	Thursday
26.	Dussehra (Maha Ashtami) (Additional)	October	15	Asvina	23	Friday
27.	Dussehra (Maha Navmi)	October	16	Asvina	24	Saturday
28.	Maharishi Valmiki's birthday	October	22	Asvina	30	Friday
29.	Deepavali (South India)	November	05	Kartika	14	Friday
30.	Narak Chaturdasi	November	05	Kartika	14	Friday

31.	Govardhan Puja	November	06	Kartika	15	Saturday
32.	Bhai Duj	November	07	Kartika	16	Sunday
33.	Guru Teg Bahadur's Martyrdom Day	November	24	Agrahayana 03		Wednesday
34.	Christmas Eve	December	24	Pausa	03	Friday