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**ENDORSEMENT**

**Sub:-** Holidays to be observed in Central Government Offices during the year 2022-regarding.

Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Personnel and Training has issued an O.M. No. 12/3/2021-JCA-2 Dated 8th June, 2021 regarding above subject. The above mentioned O.M. dated 08.06.2021 is being uploaded on the ICAR website [www.icar.org.in](http://www.icar.org.in) and e-office for information and necessary action.

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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Holidays to be observed in Central Government Offices during the year 2022- reg.**

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 2022. 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 specified at **Annexure - II**.

2. Central Government Administrative Offices located outside Delhi / New Delhi shall observe the following holidays compulsorily in addition to three holidays, to be chosen out of the 12 optional holidays indicated below at para 3.1:

1. **REPUBLIC DAY**
2. **INDEPENDENCE DAY**
3. **MAHATMA GANDHI'S BIRTHDAY**
4. **BUDDHA 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. For offices located in New Delhi/Delhi, three holidays are selected by the D/o Personnel & Training and for the offices located outside Delhi/New Delhi three holidays are to be chosen 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, from the list indicated below. The final list, applicable uniformly to all Central Government offices within the concerned State, shall be notified accordingly and no change can be carried out thereafter. It is also clarified that no change is permissible in the festivals and dates, as indicated at Annexure -I and Annexure-II barring a few exceptions indicated at para 5.1 and 5.2 hereinafter. The 12 optional holidays are as follows:

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 / BASANT PANCHAMI**
12. **VISHU/ VAISAKHI / VAISAKHADI / BHAG BIHU / MASHADI UGADI / CHAITRA SUKLADI / CHETI CHAND / GUDI PADAVA / 1<sup>ST</sup> NAVRATRA / NAORAZ/CHHATH POOJA/KARVA CHAETH.**

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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 festival falling on the same day.

4. The list of Restricted Holidays appended as annexure-II 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. However, the 9 occasions left over, after choosing the 3 variable holidays in para 3.1 above, are also 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, Idu'l 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 (DCP, Special Branch, Delhi Police).

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 Idu'lFitr, Idu'lZuha, Muharram and Id-e-Milad.

5.3 It may happen that the change of date in respect of the above occasions has to be declared at a very short notice. In such a situation, announcement could be made through P.I.B/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 2022, Diwali (Deepavali) falls on Monday, October 24, 2022 (Kartika 2). In certain States, the practice is to celebrate the occasion a day in advance, i.e., on "Naraka Chaturdasi 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) in 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.



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 2022, subject to para 3.2 above.

8. Union Territory Administrations shall decide the list of holidays in terms of Instructions issued in this regard by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

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 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2002. In other words, they will have the option to select 13 (Thirteen) holidays of their own only after including in the list, three National Holidays and Id-ul-Zuha, Mahatma Gandhi's birthday, Milad -un-Nabi or Id-e-Milad and Christmas Day included in the list of compulsory holidays and falling on days of weekly off.

10. In respect of Banks, the holidays shall be regulated in terms of the extant instructions issued by the Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance.

11. Hindi version will follow.

  
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5. All Staff Side Members of the National Council (JCM).
6. All Staff Side Members of the Departmental Council (JCM), Ministry of Personnel, P.G. and Pensions.
7. Chairman/Secretaries, Central Government Employees Welfare Coordination Committees (As per updated list from Welfare Section).
8. PS to Cabinet Secretary.
9. Deputy Secretary (Coordination), Delhi Govt. Secretariat, I.G. Stadium, I.T.O., New Delhi.
10. The Manager (Store), Government of India, Forms Store, 166 Lenin Sarai, Kolkata
11. Chief Secretaries to all the State Governments/Union Territories.
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**LIST OF HOLIDAYS DURING THE YEAR 2022 FOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES OF  
CENTRAL GOVERNMENT LOCATED AT DELHI / NEW DELHI**

| S.No.                       | Holiday  | Date        | Saka Date   | Day       |
|-----------------------------|--|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| <b><u>1943 SAKA ERA</u></b> |  |             |             |           |
| 1.                          | Republic Day   | January 26  | Magha 06    | Wednesday |
| 2.                          | Maha Shivratri   | March 01    | Phalguna 10 | Tuesday   |
| 3.                          | Holi   | March 18    | Phalguna 27 | Friday    |
| <b><u>1944 Saka Era</u></b> |  |             |             |           |
| 4.                          | Mahavir Jayanti  | April 14    | Chaitra 24  | Thursday  |
| 5.                          | Good Friday  | April 15    | Chaitra 25  | Friday    |
| 6.                          | Id-ul-Fitr   | May 03      | Vaisakha 13 | Tuesday   |
| 7.                          | Budha Purnima  | May 16      | Vaisakha 26 | Monday    |
| 8.                          | Id-ul-Zuha (Bakrid)  | July 10     | Ashadha 19  | Sunday    |
| 9.                          | Muharram   | August 09   | Sarvana 18  | Tuesday   |
| 10.                         | Independence Day   | August 15   | Sarvana 24  | Monday    |
| 11.                         | Janmashtami  | August 19   | Sarvana 28  | Friday    |
| 12.                         | Mahatma Gandhi's<br>Birthday                                     | October 02  | Asvina 10   | Sunday    |
| 13.                         | Dussehra   | October 05  | Asvina 13   | Wednesday |
| 14.                         | Milad-un-Nabi or Id-e-Milad<br>(Birthday of Prophet<br>Mohammad) | October 09  | Asvina 17   | Sunday    |
| 15.                         | Diwali (Deepavali)   | October 24  | Kartika 02  | Monday    |
| 16.                         | Guru Nanak's Birthday  | November 08 | Kartika 17  | Tuesday   |
| 17.                         | Christmas Day  | December 25 | Pausha 04   | Sunday    |

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|----------------------|---|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| <b>SAKA ERA 1943</b> |   |             |             |           |
| 1.                   | New Year's Day                                  | January 01  | Pausha 11   | Saturday  |
| 2.                   | Guru Gobind Singh's Birthday                    | January 09  | Pausha 19   | Sunday    |
| 3.                   | Lohri   | January 13  | Pausha 23   | Thursday  |
| 4.                   | Makar Sankranti/Magha Bihu/ Pongal              | January 14  | Pausha 24   | Friday    |
| 5.                   | Basant Panchami /Sri Panchami                   | February 05 | Magha 16    | Saturday  |
| 6.                   | Hazarat Ali's Birthday                          | February 15 | Magha 26    | Tuesday   |
| 7.                   | Guru Ravi Das's Birthday                        | February 16 | Magha 27    | Wednesday |
| 8.                   | Shiva ji Jayanti                                | February 19 | Magha 30    | Saturday  |
| 9.                   | Swami Dayananda Saraswati Jayanti               | February 26 | Phalguna 07 | Saturday  |
| 10.                  | Holika Dahan                                    | March 17    | Phalguna 26 | Thursday  |
| 11.                  | Dolyatra  | March 18    | Phalguna 27 | Friday    |
| <b>Saka Era 1944</b> |   |             |             |           |
| 12.                  | Chaitra Sukladi /Gudi Padava/Ugadi/ Cheti Chand | April 02    | Chaitra 12  | Saturday  |
| 13.                  | Ram Navami                                      | April 10    | Chaitra 20  | Sunday    |
| 14.                  | Vaisakhi /Vishu/ Meshadi                        | April 14    | Chaitra 24  | Thursday  |
| 15.                  | Vaisakhadi (Bengal) / Bahag Bihu (Assam)        | April 15    | Chaitra 25  | Friday    |
| 16.                  | Easter Sunday                                   | April 17    | Chaitra 27  | Sunday    |
| 17.                  | Jamat-Ul-Vida                                   | April 29    | Vaisakha 09 | Friday    |
| 18.                  | Guru Rabindranath's birthday                    | May 09      | Vaisakha 19 | Monday    |
| 19.                  | Rath Yatra                                      | July 01     | Ashadha 10  | Friday    |
| 20.                  | Raksha Bandhan                                  | August 11   | Sarvana 20  | Thursday  |
| 21.                  | Parsi New Year's day/Nauraj                     | August 16   | Sravana 25  | Tuesday   |
| 22.                  | Janmashtami (Smarta)                            | August 18   | Sravana 27  | Thursday  |
| 23.                  | Vinayaka Chaturthi/ Genesh Chaturthi            | August 31   | Bhadra 09   | Wednesday |

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| 24. | Onam or Thiru Onam Day                             | September | 08 | Bhadra     | 17 | Thursday  |
| 25. | Dussehra (Saptami)                                 | October   | 02 | Asvina     | 10 | Sunday    |
| 26. | Dussehra (Mahashtami)                              | October   | 03 | Asvina     | 11 | Monday    |
| 27. | Dussehra (Mahanavmi)                               | October   | 04 | Asvina     | 12 | Tuesday   |
| 28. | Maharishi Valmiki's Birthday                       | October   | 09 | Asvina     | 17 | Sunday    |
| 29. | Karaka Chaturthi<br>(KarwaChouth)                  | October   | 13 | Asvina     | 21 | Thursday  |
| 30. | Naraka Chaturdasi                                  | October   | 24 | Kartika    | 02 | Monday    |
| 31. | Govardhan Puja                                     | October   | 25 | Kartika    | 03 | Tuesday   |
| 32. | Bhai Duj   | October   | 26 | Kartika    | 04 | Wednesday |
| 33. | Pratiharshashthi or Surya<br>Shashthi (Chhat Puja) | October   | 30 | Kartika    | 08 | Sunday    |
| 34. | Guru Teg Bahadur's<br>Martyrdom Day                | November  | 24 | Agrahayana | 03 | Thursday  |
| 35. | Christmas Eve                                      | December  | 24 | Pausha     | 03 | Saturday  |
| 36. | Guru Gobind Singh's<br>Birthday                    | December  | 29 | Pausha     | 08 | Thursday  |