

THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH KARACHI

No.GAZ/XVII.3(v)

Karachi, dated the 15th January, 2020

NOTIFICATION

In pursuance of explanation to Section 25 of the Sindh Civil Courts Ordinance 1962, it is hereby notified for general information that the following public and optional holidays shall be observed by the Civil & Sessions Courts as well as Federal and Provincial Tribunals / Special Courts in Sindh working under the Administrative Control of High Court of Sindh during the calendar year 2020.

These holidays shall also be observed by the High Court of Sindh, Karachi its Bench at Sukkur and Circuit Courts at Hyderabad and Larkana.

Sr.#	Name of Occasion	Days	Date during year 2020
1.	Kashmir Day	Wednesday	5 th February, 2020
2.	Pakistan Day	Monday	23 rd March, 2020
3.	Labour Day	Friday	1 st May, 2020
4.	Eid-ul-Fitr, (1 st Shawal 1441 A.H)	Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday	25 th , 26 th and 27 th May 2020
5.	Eid-ul-Azha, (10 th Zil Haj 1441 A.H)	Friday, Saturday & Sunday	31 st July, 1 st and 2 nd August, 2020
6.	Independence Day	Friday	14 th August, 2020
7.	Ashura (9 th & 10 th Muharrum 1442 A.H)	Saturday & Sunday	29 th & 30 th August, 2020
8.	Eid Milad-un-Nabi (12 Rabi-ul-Awal 1442 A.H)	Friday	30 th October, 2020
9.	Quaid-e-Azam Day / Christmas	Friday	25 th December, 2020
10.	Day after Christmas	Saturday	26 th December, 2020 (For Christians only)

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OPTIONAL HOLIDAYS

Sr.#	Name of Occasion	Days	Date during year 2020
1.	New Year Day	Wednesday	1 st January, 2020
2.	Basant Punchami	Wednesday	29 th January, 2020
3.	Shivaratri	Friday	21 st February, 2020
4.	Holi	Monday	9 th March, 2020
5.	Dulhandi	Tuesday	10 th March, 2020
6.	Shab-e-Meraj (27 Rajab 1441 A.H)	Monday	23 rd March, 2020
7.	Shab-e-Barat (15 Shaban 1441 A.H)	Thursday	9 th April, 2020
8.	Good Friday	Friday	10 th April, 2020
9.	Easter / Day After Easter	Sunday & Monday	12 th and 13 th April, 2020
10.	Baisakhi	Monday	13 th April, 2020
11.	Eid-e-Rizwan (Bahai's Community only)	Monday	20 th April, 2020
12.	Buddha Purnima	Thursday	7 th May, 2020
13.	Janam Ashtami	Tuesday	11 th August, 2020
14.	Nauroze (Parsi's New Year Day)	Sunday	16 th August, 2020
15.	Birthday of Lord Zoroaster (Khordad Sal)	Friday	21 st August, 2020
16.	Chehlum (20 th Safar 1442 AH)	Thursday	8 th October, 2020
17.	Durga Pooja	Friday	23 rd October, 2020
18.	Dussehra	Sunday	25 th October, 2020
19.	Birthday of Guru Valmik Sawami Ji	Saturday	31 st October, 2020
20.	Diwali	Saturday	14 th November, 2020
21.	Guru Nanak's Birthday	Monday	30 th November, 2020
22.	Giyarvee Shareef (11 th Rabi-Us-Sani 1442 (AH)	Saturday	28 th November, 2020

WINTER HOLIDAYS

For the Hon'ble Judges of the High Court of Sindh.	From 26-12-2020 to 09-01-2021
For the Office of the High Court and Civil and Sessions Courts as well as Federal and Provincial Tribunals / Special Courts in Sindh working under the Administrative Control of High Court of Sindh.	From 26-12-2020 to 03-01-2021

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NOTES:

- 1) The holidays on all Muslim Festivals, are based on subject to appearance of moon.
- 2) The Judges of the High Court will observe winter holidays from 26-12-2020 to 09-01-2021 and all Civil & Sessions Courts as well as Federal and Provincial Tribunals/Special Courts in Sindh working under the Administrative Control of High Court of Sindh will observe winter holidays from 26-12-2020 to 03-01-2021.
- 3) The District and Civil Courts will observe two (2) local holidays within their District during the year 2020 to be declared as Local holidays by the concerned Deputy Commissioners/Administrators.
- 4) The Officers/Officials desiring to avail of optional holiday shall take prior permission of the Head of the Department concerned and no one shall be granted more than one optional holiday in the case of Muslims and three optional holidays in case of non-Muslim in a calendar year.
- 5) The grant of this concession should not result in any dislocation of work and even in case of Muslim optional holidays the number of persons permitted to avail these holidays should be regulated in a manner so as to leave adequate staff for proper continuance of work
- 6) The optional holidays are denominational and may be allowed at the discretion of the Head of the Office provided the state of work permits.
- 7) A Government servant would not ordinarily be refused an optional holiday which is of religious significance to him, if the refusal is likely to decrease the maximum number of such holidays to which he is entitled.

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