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Establishment (JCA-2) Section

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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Holidays to be observed in Central Government Offices during the year 2021- 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 2021. 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. In addition to the above 14 Compulsory holidays mentioned in para 2, three holidays shall 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 here in after.

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 CHAUTH.**



**LIST OF RESTRICTED HOLIDAYS DURING THE YEAR 2021 FOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT LOCATED AT DELHI / NEW DELHI**

S.No	Holiday	Date	Saka Date	Day
<b>SAKA ERA 1942</b>				
1.	New Year's Day	January 01	Pausha 11	Friday
2.	Lohri	January 13	Pausha 23	Wednesday
3.	Makar Sankranti/Magha Bihu/ Pongal	January 14	Pausha 24	Thursday
4.	Guru Gobind Singh's Birthday	January 20	Pausha 30	Wednesday
5.	Basant Panchami /Sri Panchami	February 16	Magha 27	Tuesday
6.	Shivaji Jayanti	February 19	Magha 30	Friday
7.	Hazarat Ali's Birthday	February 26	Phalguna 07	Friday
8.	Guru Ravi Das's Birthday	February 27	Phalguna 08	Saturday
9.	Swami Dayananda Saraswati Jayanti	March 08	Phalguna 17	Monday
10.	Maha Shivaratri	March 11	Phalguna 20	Thursday
<b>SAKA ERA 1943</b>				
11.	Holika Dahan/Dolyatra	March 28	Chaitra 07	Sunday
12.	Easter Sunday	April 04	Chaitra 14	Sunday
13.	Chaitra Sukladi / Gudi Padava / Ugadi / Cheti Chand / Vaisakhi /Vishu	April 13	Chaitra 23	Tuesday
14.	Mesadi Tamil New Year's Day	April 14	Chaitra 24	Wednesday
15.	Vaisakhadi (Bengal) / Bahag Bihu (Assam)	April 15	Chaitra 25	Thursday
16.	Jamat-Ul-Vida	May 07	Vaisakha 17	Friday
17.	Guru Rabindranath's birthday	May 09	Vaisakha 19	Sunday
18.	Rath Yatra	July 12	Ashadha 21	Monday
19.	Parsi New Year's day/Nauraj	August 16	Sravana 25	Monday
20.	Onam or Thiru Onam Day	August 21	Sravana 30	Saturday
21.	Raksha Bandhan	August 22	Sarvana 31	Sunday



22.	Janmashtami (Smarta)	August	30	Bhadra	08	Monday
23.	Vinayaka Chaturthi/ Ganesh Chaturthi	September	10	Bhadra	19	Friday
24.	Dussehra (Saptami)	October	12	Asvina	20	Tuesday
25.	Dussehra (Mahashtami)	October	13	Asvina	21	Wednesday
26.	Dussehra (Mahanavmi)	October	14	Asvina	22	Thursday
27.	Maharishi Valmiki's Birthday	October	20	Asvina	28	Wednesday
28.	Karaka Chaturthi (Karwa Chouth)	October	24	Kartika	02	Sunday
29.	Naraka Chaturdasi	November	03	Kartika	12	Wednesday
30.	Govardhan Puja	November	05	Kartika	14	Friday
31.	Bhai Duj	November	06	Kartika	15	Saturday
32.	Pratihara Shashthi or Surya Shashthi (Chhat Puja)	November	10	Kartika	19	Wednesday
33.	Guru Teg Bahadur's Martyrdom Day	November	24	Agrahayana	03	Wednesday
34.	Christmas Eve	December	24	Pausha	03	Friday