THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH KARACHI

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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 Special Courts/Tribunals in Sindh under the Administrative Control of High Court of Sindh during the calendar year 2017.

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 2017
1.	Kashmir Day	Sunday	5 th February, 2017
2.	Pakistan Day	Thursday	23 rd March, 2017
3.	Labour Day	Monday	1 st May, 2017
4.	Eid-ul-Fitr, (1 st Shawal 1438 A.H)	Tuesday & Wednesday	27 th & 28 th June, 2017
5.	Independence Day	Monday	14 th August, 2017
6.	Eid-ul-Azha, (10 th Zil Haj 1438 A.H)	Friday, Saturday, Sunday	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd September, 2017
7.	Ashura (9 th & 10 th Moharrum 1439 A.H)	Saturday & Sunday	30 th September & 1 st October, 2017
8.	Eid Milad-un-Nabi (12 Rabi-ul-Awal 1439 A.H)	Friday	1 st December, 2017
9.	Quaid-e-Azam Day/Chrismas	Monday	25 th December, 2017
10.	Day after Christmas	Tuesday	26 th December, 2017 (For Christians only)

(2) OPTIONAL HOLIDAYS

Sr.#	Name of Occasion	Days	Date during year 201
1.	New Year Day	Sunday	1 st January, 2017
2.	Giarhwin Sharief (11 Rabi-us- Sani 1438 A.H)	Monday	30 th January, 2017
3.	Basant Punchami	Wednesday	1 st February, 2017
4.	Shivaratri	Friday	24 th February, 2017
5.	Dulhandi	Sunday	12 th March, 2017
6.	Holi	Monday	13 th March, 2017
7.	Good Friday	Friday	14 th April, 2017
8.	Baisakhi	Friday	14 th April, 2017
9.	Easter	Sunday	16 th April, 2017
10	Day after Easter	Monday	17 th April, 2017
11	Eid-e-Rizwan (Bahai's Community only)	Friday	21 st April, 2017
12.	Shab-e-Meraj (27 Rajab 1438 A.H)	Tuesday	25 th April, 2017
13.	Buddha Purnima	Friday	28 th April, 2017
14.	Shab-e-Barat (15 Shaban 1438 A.H)	Friday	12 th May, 2017
15.	Janam Ashtami	Tuesday	15 th August, 2017
16.	Nauroze (Parsi's New Year Day)	Thursday	17 th August, 2017
17.	Birthday of Lord Zoroaster (Khordad Sal)	Tuesday	22 nd August, 2017
18.	Durga Pooja	Thursday	21st September, 2017
19.	Birthday of Guru Valmik Sawami Ji	Friday	30 th September, 2017
20.	Dussehra	Saturday	14 th October,2017
21.	Diwali	Thursday	19th October,2017
22.	Guru Nanak's Birthday	Saturday	04 th November, 2017
23.	Chelum (20 Safar 1439 A.H)	Friday	10 th November, 2017

WINTER HOLIDAYS

1.	For the Hon'ble Judges of the High Court of Sindh.	From 26-12-2017 to 09-01-2018
2.	For the Office of the High Court and Civil and Sessions Courts as well as Special Courts/Tribunals in Sindh under the Administrative Control of High Court of Sindh.	From 26-12-2017 to 03-01-2018



NOTES:

 The holidays on all Muslim Festivals, are based on subject to appearance of moon.

The Judges of the High Court will observe Winter Holidays from 26-12-2017 to 09-01-2018 and all Civil & Sessions Courts as well as Special Courts/Tribunals in Sindh under the Administrative Control of High Court of Sindh will observe Winter Holidays from 26-12-2017 to 03-01-2018.

The District and Civil Courts will observe two (2) local holidays within their District during the year 2017 to be declared as Local holidays by the concerned Deputy Commissioners/Administrators.

4) The Officer/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.

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.

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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