

# THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH KARACHI

No.GAZ/XVII.3(v)

Karachi, dated the 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2025

## NOTIFICATION

In pursuance of 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 Sessions and Civil 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 2025.

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

Sr.#	Name of Occasion	Days	Dates during year 2025
1.	Kashmir Day	Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup> February, 2025
2.	Pakistan Day	Sunday	23 <sup>rd</sup> March, 2025
3.	Eid-ul-Fitr, (1 <sup>st</sup> Shawal 1446 A.H.)	Sunday, Monday & Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup> , 31 <sup>st</sup> March and 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
4.	Labour Day	Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> May, 2025
5.	Youm-e-Takbeer	Wednesday	28 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025
6.	Eid-ul-Azha, (10 <sup>th</sup> Zil Haj 1446 A.H.)	Saturday, Sunday & Monday	7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup> June, 2025
7.	Ashura (9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> Moharrum 1447 A.H.)	Saturday & Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> July, 2025
8.	Independence Day	Thursday	14 <sup>th</sup> August, 2025
9.	Eid Milad-un-Nabi (12 <sup>th</sup> Rabi-ul-Awwal 1447 A.H.)	Friday or Saturday	5 <sup>th</sup> or 6 <sup>th</sup> September, 2025
10.	Allama Iqbal Day	Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025
11.	Quaid-e-Azam Day / Christmas	Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025
12.	Day After Christmas	Friday	26 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025 (For Christians only)

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OPTIONAL HOLIDAYS

Sr.#	Name of Occasion	Days	Date during year 2024
1.	New Year Day	Wednesday	1 <sup>st</sup> January, 2025
2.	Shab-e-Meraj (27 <sup>th</sup> Rajab 1446 A.H.)	Tuesday	28 <sup>th</sup> January, 2025
3.	Basant Punchami	Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> February, 2025
4.	Shab-e-Barat (15 <sup>th</sup> Shaban 1446 A.H.)	Friday	14 <sup>th</sup> February, 2025
5.	Shivaratri	Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup> February, 2025
6.	Holi	Thursday	13 <sup>th</sup> March, 2025
7.	Dulhandi	Friday	14 <sup>th</sup> March, 2025
8.	Baisakhi	Sunday	13 <sup>th</sup> April, 2025
9.	Good Friday	Friday	18 <sup>th</sup> April, 2025
10.	Easter / Day After Easter Sunday	Sunday & Monday	20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup> April, 2025
11.	Eid-e-Rizwan (Bahai's Community only)	Monday	21 <sup>st</sup> April, 2025
12.	Buddha Purnima	Monday	12 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025
13.	Nauroze (Parsi's New Year Day)	Friday	15 <sup>th</sup> August, 2025
14.	Chehlum (20 <sup>th</sup> Safar 1447 A.H.)	Friday	15 <sup>th</sup> August, 2025
15.	Krishna Janam Ashtami	Saturday	16 <sup>th</sup> August, 2025
16.	Birthday of Lord Zoroaster (Khordad Sal)	Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup> August, 2025
17.	Durga Puja	Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup> September, 2025
18.	Dussehra	Thursday	2 <sup>nd</sup> October, 2025
19.	Giyarvee Shareef (11 <sup>th</sup> Rabi-us-Sani 1447 (A.H.))	Saturday	4 <sup>th</sup> October, 2025
20.	Birthday of Guru Valmik Sawami Ji	Tuesday	7 <sup>th</sup> October, 2025
21.	Diwali	Monday	20 <sup>th</sup> October, 2025
22.	Guru Nanak Dev Jee Birthday	Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025

WINTER HOLIDAYS

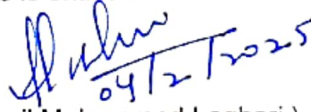
For the Hon'ble Judges of the High Court of Sindh	From 26-12-2025 to 09-01-2026
For the Office of the High Court and Sessions and Civil Courts as well as Federal and Provincial Tribunals / Special Courts in Sindh working under the Administrative Control of High Court of Sindh	From 26-12-2025 to 03-01-2026

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**NOTES:**

- a) The holidays on all Muslim Festivals, are based on subject to appearance of moon.
- b) The Judges of the High Court will observe winter holidays from 26-12-2025 to 09-01-2026 and all Sessions and Civil 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 26-12-2025 to 03-01-2026.
- c) The District and Civil Courts will observe two (2) local holidays within their District during the year 2025 to be declared as Local holidays by the concerned Deputy Commissioners/Administrators.
- d) 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.
- e) 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
- f) The optional holidays are denominational and may be allowed at the discretion of the Head of the Office provided the state of work permits.
- g) 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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