

**Notification No. 2768 – G. S.**

**The following list of days to be observed in the year 2023 as holidays in the Subordinate Civil Courts in West Bengal has been prepared by the High Court at Calcutta in exercise of the powers vested in it by Section 15 of Act II of 1887.**

Name of Holidays	English Dates	Days of the week	Number of days
Swami Vivekananda's Birthday	January 12 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	1 day
Netaji's Birthday	January 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Monday	1 day
Republic Day / Saraswati Puja	January 26 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	1 day
Shivratri	February 18 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	1 day
Doljatra	March 7 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	1 day
Holi	March 8 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	1 day
Good Friday	April 7 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	1 day
Chaitra Sankranti / Birthday of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar	April 14 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	1 day
Bengali New Years Day	April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	1 day
Id-ul-Fitre	To be notified later on	To be notified later on	To be notified later on
May Day	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	Monday	1 day
Buddha Purnima	May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	1 day
Rabindranath's Birthday	May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	1 day
Summer vacation	May 22 <sup>nd</sup> to 26 <sup>th</sup>	Monday To Friday	5 days
Id-Uz-Zoha (Bakrid)	To be notified later on	To be notified later on	To be notified later on
Muharram	To be notified later on	To be notified later on	To be notified later on
Independence Day	August 15 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	1 day
Janmastami	September 7 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	1 day
Gandhiji's Birthday	October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Monday	1 day
Annual Vacation (including Durga Puja, Lakshmi Puja, Second Day of Lakshmi Puja, Diwali, Pratipada & Bhatridwitiya)	October 20 <sup>th</sup> To November 15 <sup>th</sup>	Friday To Wednesday	27 days
Jagadhatri Puja	November 21 <sup>st</sup>	Tuesday	1 day
Fateha-Duaz-Daham / Guru Nanak's Birthday and Parswanath's Rathajatra	November 27 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	1 day
Christmas Vacation	December 25 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup>	Monday To Saturday	6 days

**Note 1 :** Public Holiday on account of New Year's Day (January 1<sup>st</sup>) falls on Sunday.

**Note 2 :** Executive Holidays on account of Easter Saturday (April 8<sup>th</sup>) and Public Holiday on account of Mahalaya (October 14<sup>th</sup>) fall on Second Saturday.

**Note 3 :** Holidays on account of Muslim Festivals viz. Id-ul-Fitre, Id-uz-Zoha (Bakrid) and Muharram will be declared later on, depending on visibility of the moon.

**Note 4 :** Sectional Holiday on account of Sab-e-Barat (March 8<sup>th</sup>) falls on Wednesday may be granted to Muslim employees. Sectional holiday on account of Mahabir Jayanti (April 4<sup>th</sup>) may be granted, when possible, to the Jain employees. Sectional holiday on account of Baisakhi (April 14<sup>th</sup>) coincides with the Chaitra Sankranti falls on Friday.

**Note 5 :** The Court and Offices of the Judgeship of Darjeeling & Kalimpong shall remain closed on 13.07.2023 (Thursday) on account of the Birthday of the Nepali Poet Bhanu Bhakta.

**Note 6 :** All the District Judges in West Bengal, Chief Judges of the City Civil Court at Calcutta, City Sessions Court, Calcutta and the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Calcutta are hereby empowered to declare local holidays not exceeding two days in a year in a district and/or Sub-Divisions according to the prevalent customs in consultation with the local Bar Associations.

**Note 7 :** All 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the months have been declared as holidays for the Subordinate Civil & Criminal Courts in West Bengal Vide F.C. Resolution dated 06.08.92.

**Note 8 :** The Courts in the Districts of Darjeeling & Kalimpong, excepting the Courts in Siliguri Sub-Division under Darjeeling Judgeship shall have no Summer Vacation unlike that of all other Districts of West Bengal.

**Note 9 :** In the districts of Darjeeling & Kalimpong, the Courts excepting the Courts in Siliguri Sub-Division of Darjeeling shall be closed for Durga Puja to Laxmi Puja during the Executive holidays from October 20<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October and Diwali, Pratipada & Bhatridwitiya (November 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>). The Courts in the districts of Darjeeling & Kalimpong shall also be closed for Annual Vacation for the period from the 2<sup>nd</sup> January to 26<sup>th</sup> January and 25<sup>th</sup> December to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2023 excepting the Courts in the Siliguri Sub-Division in the District of Darjeeling which shall be closed for Annual Vacation as in the District of Jalpaiguri.

By Order,

Sd/-  
Registrar General

High Court Administrative  
Department

Dated, the 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.