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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

HOME DEPARTMENT

(G.O. Ms. No. 79, Puducherry, dated 25th October 2019)

NOTIFICATION

The Hon'ble Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry, is pleased to declare that all Government Offices/Government Undertakings, Boards and other Institutions under the control of Government of Puducherry and all Banking Institutions including Co-operative Banks in the Union territory of Puducherry shall be closed on the days specified in the notification in Appendix-I and Appendix-II respectively during the Calendar Year 2020. The following festivals, which fall on Sunday during the year 2020, have been excluded from the Holiday List:-

- (i) Sunday, the 25th October, 2020 . . Saraswathi/Ayudha Pooja/Mahanavami
- (ii) Sunday, the 1st November, 2020 . . Puducherry Liberation Day
- 2. In addition to the closed holidays, the Hon'ble Lieutenant-Governor is also pleased to permit each Government Servant to avail any 2 (two) holidays to be chosen by him/her out of the list of Restricted Holidays in Appendix-III.
 - 3. No substitute holidays shall be allowed on any event for the festival holiday initially declared.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

F.P. VERBINA JAYARAJ, Under Secretary to Government.

APPENDIX - I

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by the explanation to section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (No. XXVI of 1881), read with the notification of the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, SRO No. F.G.P.54/99636/701, dated 31-12-1955, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Union territory of Puducherry hereby declares the undermentioned days in the Calendar Year 2020 shall be Public Holidays for all Government Offices/Institutions under the control of the Government of Union territory of Puducherry for the purpose of that section.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS - 2020

(i) PUDUCHERRY AND KARAIKAL REGIONS

1.	Wednesday, the 1st January 2020		New Year's Day
2.	Wednesday, the 15th January 2020		Pongal
3.	Thursday, the 16th January 2020		Thiruvalluvar Day/Mattu Pongal
4.	Sunday, the 26th January 2020		Republic Day
5.	Friday, the 10th April 2020		Good Friday
6.	Tuesday, the 14th April 2020		Dr. Ambedkar's Birthday/Tamil New Year's Day
7.	Friday, the 1st May 2020		May Day
8.	Monday, the 25th May 2020		Ramzan (Id-ul-Fitr)*
9.	Saturday, the 1st August 2020		Bakrid (Id-ul-Alha)*
10.	Saturday, the 15th August 2020		Independence Day
11.	Sunday, the 16th August 2020		De jure Transfer Day
12.	Saturday, the 22nd August 2020		Vinayaga Chathurthi
13.	Friday, the 2nd October 2020		Gandhi Jayanthi
14.	Friday, the 30th October 2020		Milad-Un-Nabi (Birthday of Prophet Mohammad)*
15.	Saturday, the 14th November 2020		Deepavali
16.	Friday, the 25th December 2020		Christmas
(ii) MAHE REGION			

New Year's Day

Republic Day

Good Friday

Wednesday, the 1st January 2020

Sunday, the 26th January 2020

Friday, the 10th April 2020

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4.	Tuesday, the 14th April 2020	 Vishu 1st Day/Dr. Ambedkar's Birthday
5.	Wednesday, the 15th April 2020	 Vishu 2nd Day
6.	Friday, the 1st May 2020	 May Day
7.	Sunday, the 24th May 2020	 Ramzan (Id-ul-Fitr)*
8.	Friday, the 31st July 2020	 Bakrid (Id-ul-Alha)*
9.	Saturday, the 15th August 2020	 Independence Day
10.	Sunday, the 16th August 2020	 De jure Transfer Day
11.	Sunday, the 30th August 2020	 Onam 1st Day
12.	Monday, the 31st August 2020	 Onam 2nd Day
13.	Friday, the 2nd October 2020	 Gandhi Jayanthi
14.	Thursday, the 15th October 2020	 St. Theresa Festival
15.	Thursday, the 29th October 2020	 Milad-Un-Nabi (Birthday of Prophet Mohammad)*
16.	Friday, the 25th December 2020	 Christmas
(iii) Y	ANAM REGION	
1.	Wednesday, the 1st January 2020	 New Year's Day
2.	Wednesday, the 15th January 2020	 Pongal (Makara Sankaranthi)
3.	Sunday, the 26th January 2020	 Republic Day
4.	Wednesday, the 25th March 2020	 Telugu New Year's Day (Ugadi festival)
5.	Friday, the 10th April 2020	 Good Friday
6.	Tuesday, the 14th April 2020	 Dr. Ambedkar's Birthday
7.	Friday, the 1st May 2020	 May Day
8.	Sunday, the 24th May 2020	 Ramzan (Id-ul-Fitr)*
9.	Friday, the 31st July 2020	 Bakrid (Id-ul-Alha)*
10.	Saturday, the 15th August 2020	 Independence Day
11.	Sunday, the 16th August 2020	 De jure Transfer Day
12.	Saturday, the 22nd August 2020	 Ganesha Chathurthi
13.	Friday, the 2nd October 2020	 Gandhi Jayanthi
14.	Friday, the 30th October 2020	 Milad-Un-Nabi (Birthday of Prophet Mohammad)*
15.	Saturday, the 14th November 2020	 Deepavali
16.	Friday, the 25th December 2020	 Christmas

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APPENDIX - II

NOTIFICATION

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PUBLIC HOLIDAYS - 2020

(i) PUDUCHERRY AND KARAIKAL REGIONS

1.	Wednesday, the 1st January 2020		New Year's Day	
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4.	Sunday, the 26th January 2020		Republic Day	
5.	Wednesday, the 1st April 2020		Annual Closing of Bank Accounts	
6.	Friday, the 10th April 2020		Good Friday	
7.	Tuesday, the 14th April 2020		Dr. Ambedkar's Birthday/Tamil New Year's Day	
8.	Friday, the 1st May 2020		May Day	
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10.	Saturday, the 1st August 2020		Bakrid (Id-ul-Alha)*	
11.	Saturday, the 15th August 2020		Independence Day	
12.	Sunday, the 16th August 2020		De jure Transfer Day	
13.	Saturday, the 22nd August 2020		Vinayaga Chathurthi	
14.	Friday, the 2nd October 2020		Gandhi Jayanthi	
15.	Friday, the 30th October 2020		Milad-Un-Nabi (Birthday of Prophet Mohammad)*	
16.	Saturday, the 14th November 2020		Deepavali	
17.	Friday, the 25th December 2020		Christmas	
(ii) MAHE REGION				
1.	Wednesday, the 1st January 2020		New Year's Day	
2.	Sunday, the 26th January 2020		Republic Day	
3.	Wednesday, the 1st April 2020		Annual Closing of Bank Accounts	
4.	Friday, the 10th April 2020		Good Friday	

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5.	Tuesday, the 14th April 2020		Vishu 1st Day/Dr. Ambedkar's Birthday
6.	Wednesday, the 15th April 2020		Vishu 2nd Day
7.	Friday, the 1st May 2020	• •	May Day
8.	Sunday, the 24th May 2020		Ramzan (Id-ul-Fitr)*
9.	Friday, the 31st July 2020		Bakrid (Id-ul-Alha)*
10.	Saturday, the 15th August 2020		Independence Day
11.	Sunday, the 16th August 2020		De jure Transfer Day
12.	Sunday, the 30th August 2020		Onam 1st Day
13.	Monday, the 31st August 2020		Onam 2nd Day
14.	Friday, the 2nd October 2020		Gandhi Jayanthi
15.	Thursday, the 15th October 2020		St. Theresa Festival
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17.	Friday, the 25th December 2020		Christmas
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1.	Wednesday, the 1st January 2020		New Year's Day
2.	Wednesday, the 15th January 2020		Pongal (Makara Sankaranthi)
3.	Sunday, the 26th January 2020		Republic Day
4.	Wednesday, the 25th March 2020		Telugu New Year's Day (Ugadi festival)
5.	Wednesday, the 1st April 2020		Annual Closing of Bank Accounts
6.	Friday, the 10th April 2020		Good Friday
7.	Tuesday, the 14th April 2020		Dr. Ambedkar's Birth Day
8.	Friday, the 1st May 2020		May Day
9.	Sunday, the 24th May 2020		Ramzan (Id-ul-Fitr)*
10.	Friday, the 31st July 2020		Bakrid (Id-ul-Alha)*
11.	Saturday, the 15th August 2020		Independence Day
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13.	Saturday, the 22nd August 2020		Ganesha Chathurthi
14.	Friday, the 2nd October 2020		Gandhi Jayanthi
15.	Friday, the 30th October 2020		Milad-Un-Nabi (Birthday of Prophet Mohammad)*
16.	Saturday, the 14th November 2020		Deepavali
17.	Friday, the 25th December 2020		Christmas

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APPENDIX-III

RESTRICTED HOLIDAYS – 2020

1.	Tuesday, the 14th January 2020	 Bhogi
2.	Wednesday, the 15th January 2020	 Pongal (for Mahe region)
3.	Thursday, the 16th January 2020	 Thiruvalluvar Day (for Mahe region)/Kanuma (for Yanam region).
4.	Friday, the 17th January 2020	 Uzhavar Thirunal
5.	Friday, the 21st February 2020	 Mahasivarathri
6.	Monday, the 9th March 2020	 Masimagam
7.	Thursday, the 19th March 2019	 Feast of St. Joseph
8.	Monday, the 23rd March 2020	 Shab-e-Mihraj
9.	Wednesday, the 25th March 2020	 Telugu New Year's Day (for Puducherry, Karaikal and Mahe regions).
10.	Thursday, the 2nd April 2020	 Sri Rama Navami (for Yanam region)
11.	Saturday, the 4th April 2020	 Kandhoori Urs Festival* (for Karaikal region)
12.	Sunday, the 5th April 2020	 Sri Kailasanathar Temple Car Festival (for Karaikal region).
13.	Monday, the 6th April 2020	 Mahavir Jayanthi
14.	Thursday, the 9th April 2020	 Maundy Thursday
15.	Friday, the 10th April 2020	 Shab-e-Barath*
16.	Monday, the 13th April 2020	 Easter Monday
17.	Tuesday, the 14th April 2020	 Sandana Koodu* (for Karaikal region)
18.	Wednesday, the 15th April 2020	 Vishu 2nd Day (for Puducherry, Karaikal and Yanam regions).
19.	Thursday, the 7th May 2020	 Buddha Purnima
20.	Thursday, the 21st May 2020	 Lailathul Qadr*
21.	Sunday, the 24th May 2020	 Ascension (Kristhuvin Vinnettram)
22.	Wednesday, the 3rd June 2020	 Villianur Car Festival (for Puducherry region)
23.	Saturday, the 4th July 2020	 Mangani Festival (for Karaikal region)
24.	Monday, the 20th July 2020	 Karkidaka Amavasi (for Mahe region)
25.	Tuesday, the 11th August 2020	 Janmashtami
26.	Friday, the 14th August 2020	 Veerampattinam Car Festival (for Puducherry region).

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27.	Saturday, the 22nd August 2020	 Vinayaga Chathurthi (for Mahe region)
28.	Saturday, the 29th August 2020	 Muharam* (for Mahe region)
29.	Sunday, the 30th August 2020	 Onam 1st Day (for Puducherry, Karaikal and Yanam regions). Muharam* (Ashura Day)
30.	Monday, the 31st August 2020	 Onam 2nd Day (for Puducherry, Karaikal and Yanam regions).
31.	Wednesday, the 2nd September 2020	 Sree Narayana Guru Jayanthi (for Mahe region)
32.	Monday, the 21st September 2020	 Sree Narayana Guru Samadhi (for Mahe region)
33.	Thursday, the 15th October 2020	 St. Theresa Festival (for Puducherry, Karaikal and Yanam regions).
34.	Monday, the 26th October 2020	 Vijayadasami
35.	Monday, the 2nd November 2020	 All Souls Day
36.	Friday, the 13th November 2020	 Deepavali Eve
37.	Saturday, the 14th November 2020	 Deepavali (for Mahe region)
38.	Sunday, the 29th November 2020	 Karthigai Deepam
39.	Monday, the 30th November 2020	 Guru Nanak's Birthday
40.	Tuesday, the 8th December 2020	 Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary
41.	Sunday, the 20th December 2020	 Sri Subramanya Sasti (for Yanam region)
42.	Thursday, the 24th December 2020	 Christmas Eve
43.	Sunday, the 27th December 2020	 Sani Peyarchi

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