



**RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY OF KNOWLEDGE TECHNOLOGIES
ANDHRA PRADESH**

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Head Office: RGUKT RK Valley Campus, YSR District - 516330

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Proc. No. RGUKT-AP/Establishment/General Holidays & Optional Holidays for the year
2026/Adoption of the G.O. Rt. No.2276 & 2277/Permission/December/2025

Date:12-12-2025

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CHANCELLOR (I/c)

Present: Prof. K. Madhu Murthy

Sub: RGUKT, Andhra Pradesh-Establishment-Adoption of the G.O.Rt.No.2276 & 2277,
General Administration (POLITICAL.B) Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh,
dated 04-12-2025- General and Optional holidays during the year 2026-Approved-
Orders-Issued-Reg.

- Ref: 1. G.O.Rt.No.2276, General Administration (POLITICAL.B) Department, Government
of Andhra Pradesh, dated 04-12-2025.
2. G.O.Rt.No.2277, General Administration (POLITICAL.B) Department, Government
of Andhra Pradesh, dated 04-12-2025.
3. Note approval of the Hon'ble Chancellor (i/c), dated 09-12-2025 through e-office
vide computer number-1598421.

ORDER:

The Hon'ble Chancellor (I/c) has ordered to G.O.Rt.No.2276 & 2277, General
Administration (POLITICAL.B) Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, dated 04-
12-2025 with regard to declared General Holidays and Optional Holidays for the year
2026. Further, the State Government direct that all the offices under State Government
shall remain closed on all Sundays and Second Saturdays in all the months during the
year 2026 and also ordered that the days specified in *Annexure-I* shall be observed as
General holidays by RGUKT Constituent Institutes including Head Office excluding the
holidays falling on Second Saturdays / Sundays shown in *Annexure-I (A)*, during the year
2026.

Further, vide reference-2, under the Explanation to Section-25 of the Negotiable
Instruments Act, 1881 (Central Act XXVI of 1881) read with the Government of India,
Ministry of Home Affairs, Notification No.20-25/26/Pub.1, dated:08.06.1957, the
Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby declare that in addition to Sundays expressly
defined as Public Holidays in the said "Explanation", the following days shall be
observed as Holidays in the Andhra Pradesh State during the year 2026.

ANNEXURE-I
(G.O.Rt.No.2776 G.A (Poll.B) Dept., Dt: 04.12.2025)
General Holidays for the year 2026

Sl.No.	Name of the occasion/ Festival	Date	Day
1	BHOGI	14.01.2026	WEDNESDAY
2	MAKARA SANKRANTI	15.01.2026	THURSDAY
3	KANUMA	16.01.2026	FRIDAY
4	REPUBLIC DAY	26.01.2026	MONDAY
5	MAHA SIVARATRI	15.02.2026	SUNDAY
6	HOLI	03.03.2026	TUESDAY
7	UGADI	19.03.2026	THURSDAY
8	EID-UL-FITR (RAMZAN)	20.03.2026	FRIDAY
9	SRIRAMA NAVAMI	27.03.2026	FRIDAY
10	GOOD FRIDAY	03.04.2026	FRIDAY
11	BABU JAGJIVAN RAM's BIRTHDAY	05.04.2026	SUNDAY
12	Dr. B.R. AMBEDKAR's BIRTHDAY	14.04.2026	TUESDAY
13	Eid-ul Adha (BAKRID)	27.05.2026	WEDNESDAY
14	MOHARRUM (Shahadat Imam Hussian RA, 1447 Hijri)	25.06.2026	THURSDAY
15	INDEPENDENCE DAY	15.08.2026	SATURDAY
16	VARA LAKSHMI VRATHAM	21.08.2026	FRIDAY
17	MILAD-UN-NABI(SAWS) 1447Hijhri	25.08.2026	TUESDAY
18	SRI KRISHNAASHTAMI	04.09.2026	FRIDAY
19	VINAYAKA CHAVITHI	14.09.2026	MONDAY
20	MAHATMA GANDHI JAYANTHI	02.10.2026	FRIDAY
21	DURGASHTAMI	18.10.2026	SUNDAY
22	VIJAYA DASAMI	20.10.2026	TUESDAY
23	DEEPAVALI	08.11.2026	SUNDAY
24	CHRISTMAS	25.12.2026	FRIDAY

ANNEXURE.I (A)

(G.O.Rt.No.2276, General Administration (Poll.B) Department, Dated: 04.12.2025)
Festivals/occasions occur on Sundays during the year 2026

Sl.No.	Name of the occasion / festival	Date	Day
1	MAHA SIVARATRI	15.02.2026	SUNDAY
2	BABU JAGJIVAN RAM's BIRTHDAY	05.04.2026	SUNDAY
3	DURGASHTAMI	18.10.2026	SUNDAY
4	DEEPAVALI	08.11.2026	SUNDAY

Further, it is also ordered that in addition to the above mentioned General Holidays in Annexure-I, RGUKT Constituent Institutions and Head Office may avail Optional Holidays not exceeding Five (5) during the year 2026 on the festivals/occasions specified in Annexure-II to this order as their option and irrespective of the religion to which the festival pertains to.

ANNEXURE-II
(G.O.Rt.No.2276 G.A (Poll.B) Dept., Dt: 04.12.2025)
Optional Holidays during the year 2026

Sl. No	Name of the occasion / festival	Date	Day
1	NEWYEAR'SDAY	01.01.2026	THURSDAY
2	BIRTHDAY OF HAZRATH ALI (R.A.)	03.01.2026	SATURDAY
3	SHAB-E-MERAJ	16.01.2026	FRIDAY
4	SHAB-E-BARATH	03.02.2026	TUESDAY
5	SHAHADAT OF HAZRATALI (R.A.)	11.03.2026	WEDNESDAY
6	JAMATUL VEDA	13.03.2026	FRIDAY
7	SHAB-E-QADAR	15.03.2026	SUNDAY
8	MAHAVEER JAYANTHI	31.03.2026	TUESDAY
9	BASAVA JAYANTHI	20.04.2026	MONDAY
10	BUDDHA PURNIMA	01.05.2026	FRIDAY
11	EID-E-GADEER	03.06.2026	WEDNESDAY
12	MOHARRAM (1947Hijhri)	16.06.2026	TUESDAY
13	RATHA YATRA	16.07.2026	THURSDAY
14	ARBAYEEN (CHAHALLUM 1447 HIJRI)	04.08.2026	TUESDAY
15	PARSI NEW YEAR'SDAY	15.08.2026	SATURDAY
16	YAZ DAHUM SHAREEF	22.09.2026	TUESDAY
17	MAHALAYA AMAVASYA	10.10.2026	2 ND SATURDAY
18	HAZRAT SYED MOHAMMED JUVANPUR MEHDI'S BIRTHDAY	27.10.2026	TUESDAY
19	GURU NANAK JAYANTHI	24.11.2026	TUESDAY
20	CHRISTMAS EVE	24.12.2026	THURSDAY
21	BOXING DAY	26.12.2026	SATURDAY

ANNEXURE.II(A)

(G.O.Rt.No.2276 ,General Administration (Poll.B) Department, dated: 04.12.2025)
Festivals/occasions occur on Sundays during the year 2026

Sl.No.	Name of the occasion / festival	Date	Day
1	SHAB-E-QADAR	15.03.2026	SUNDAY
2	MAHALAYA AMAVASYA	10.10.2026	2 ND SATURDAY

Further, it is ordered that if there is any change of date in respect of Ramzan, Bakrid, Moharrum and Eid Milad-un-Nabi as per the sighting of the Moon or any other holiday of Hindu festival as well, it shall be announced through electronic/print media by Government of Andhra Pradesh. The adoption of G.O.Rt.No.2276 & 2277, General Administration (POLITICAL.B) Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, dated 04-12-2025, subject to the ratification in the forthcoming meeting of the Governing Council.

(BY ORDER)

[Handwritten Signature]
REGISTRAR (i/c)

Registrar (I/C)
RGUKT-AP

To

All Directors of Constituent Institutions of RGUKT

All Administrative Officers of Constituent Institutions of RGUKT }

... for necessary action

Copy to:

Vice-Chancellor (FAC), RGUKT

Chief Administrative Officer, RGUKT

Dean-Academics, RGUKT

Dean-Evaluation, RGUKT

Dean-EITP, RGUKT

Dean-CRD, RGUKT

Finance Officer (i/c), RGUKT

Office of the Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor/Registrar/OOF

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

HOLIDAYS – General Holidays and Optional Holidays for the year 2026 – Notified.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (POLITICAL.B) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt. No. 2276

Dated: 04.12.2025

ORDER:

The following Notification shall be published in an Extra-Ordinary issue of A.P. Gazette, dated:04.12.2025.

NOTIFICATION

The Government of Andhra Pradesh direct that the days specified in Annexure-I shall be observed as General Holidays by all the State Government offices excluding the holidays falling on Second Saturdays/Sundays shown in Annexure-I(A) and Optional Holidays shown in Annexure-II except the Optional Holidays falling on Second Saturdays/Sundays shown in Annexure-II(A) during the year 2026.

2. The State Government direct that all the offices under State Government shall remain closed on all Sundays and Second Saturdays in all the months during the year 2026.

3. In addition to the above mentioned General Holidays in Annexure-I, the State Government employees may avail themselves of Optional Holidays not exceeding five (5) during the year 2026 on the festivals / occasions specified in Annexure-II to this order at their option and irrespective of the religion to which the festival pertains to. The permission to avail any of these holidays shall be applied for, in writing in advance and shall normally be granted by the Superior Officers competent to grant Casual Leave except when the presence of an individual employee is considered necessary in the exigencies of Government work.

4. The Government also direct that General Holidays shall not *ipso-facto* apply to the Industrial Establishments and Public Sector Undertakings under the control of the State Government, the workmen engaged in Public Works Department and Educational Institutions in the State. Separate orders regarding the festivals/ occasions when these Institutions have to observe holidays shall be issued by the concerned Administrative Department of the Secretariat.

5. If there is any change of date in respect of Ramzan, Bakrid, Moharrum and Eid Milad-un-Nabi as per the sighting of the Moon or any other holiday of Hindu festival as well, it shall be announced through electronic/print media. All the Departments of Secretariat and Heads of Departments and District Collectors shall take action according to such an announcement and without waiting for formal order about the change of date.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

K.VIJAYANAND
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Commissioner of Printing & Stationery (Publication wing), Vijayawada

(with a request to arrange to publish the above Notification In an Extra-Ordinary issue of A.P. Gazette, dated:04.12.2025 and send 500 copies to Government).

(P.T.O).

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The Commissioner, Information & Public Relations, A.P. Vijayawada.

(with a request to give wide publicity through media).

The Home/School Education/ Higher Education/ Transport, Roads & Buildings/ Water Resources/ Energy, Agriculture & Cooperation, Consumer Affairs, Food & Civil Supplies/ Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development & Fisheries/ Environment, Forests, Science & Technology/ Industries & Commerce/ B.C.Welfare/ Women, Children, Differently Abled & Senior Citizens/ Labour Factories, Boilers & IMS/ Skill Development & Training/ Youth Advancement, Tourism & Culture Departments (with a request to take necessary action in the matter with reference to para-4 of the Notification).

All the Departments of Secretariat.

All the Heads of Departments.

All the District Collectors in the State.

All the administrative Sections in General Administration Department.

The Resident Commissioner, A.P. Bhavan, New Delhi.

The Secretary to Government of India, Department of Personnel & Training,
North Block, New Delhi.

The Chief Secretaries of all the States and Union Territories.

The Registrar General, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Nelapadu.

The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Vijayawada.

The Registrar, Institution of A.P. Lokayukta & Upalokayukta, Kurnool.

The Secretary & CEO, A.P. State Human Rights Commissioner, Kurnool.

The Chief Executive Officer, A.P. State Waqf Board, Vijayawada.

All the Heads of Local Financial Institutions in the State.

All the Officers in the CMO.

The P.S. to Chief Secretary to Government.

The P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government (Political)(FAC).

SF/SC (2970189).

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SECTION OFFICER

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ANNEXURE.I

G.O.RT.No. 2276

Dated: 04-12-2025

GENERAL HOLIDAYS FOR THE YEAR 2026

Sl. No.	Name of the Occasion /Festival	Date	Day	SAKA-ERA
1	BHOGI	14.01.2026	WEDNESDAY	PAUSHA 24-1947
2	MAKARA SANKRANTI	15.01.2026	THURSDAY	PAUSHA 25-1947
3	KANUMA	16.01.2026	FRIDAY	PAUSHA 26-1947
4	REPUBLIC DAY	26.01.2026	MONDAY	MAGHA 06-1947
5	MAHA SIVARATRI	15.02.2026	SUNDAY	MAGHA 26-1947
6	HOLI	03.03.2026	TUESDAY	PHALGUNA 12-1947
7	UGADI	19.03.2026	THURSDAY	PHALGUNA 28-1947
8	EID-UL-FITR (RAMZAN)	20.03.2026	FRIDAY	PHALGUNA 29-1947
9	SRIRAMA NAVAMI	27.03.2026	FRIDAY	CHAITRA 06-1948
10	GOOD FRIDAY	03.04.2026	FRIDAY	CHAITRA 13-1948
11	BABU JAGJIVAN RAM'S BIRTHDAY	05.04.2026	SUNDAY	CHAITRA 15-1947
12	Dr. B.R.AMBEDKAR'S BIRTHDAY	14.04.2026	TUESDAY	CHAITRA 24-1948
13	Eid-ul-Adha (BAKRID)	27.05.2026	WEDNESDAY	JYAISHTHA 06-1948
14	MOHARRUM (Shahadat Imam Hussian RA, 1447 Hijri)	25.06.2026	THURSDAY	ASHADHA 04-1948
15	INDEPENDENCE DAY	15.08.2026	SATURDAY	SRAVANA 24-1948
16	VARA LAKSHMI VRATHAM	21.08.2026	FRIDAY	SRAVANA 30-1948
17	MILAD-UN-NABI (SAWS) 1447 Hijri	25.08.2026	TUESDAY	BHADRA 04-1948
18	SRI KRISHNAASHTAMI	04.09.2026	FRIDAY	BHADRA 13-1948
19	VINAYAKA CHAVITHI	14.09.2026	MONDAY	BHADRA 23-1948
20	MAHATMA GANDHI JAYANTHI	02.10.2026	FRIDAY	ASVINA 10-1948

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21	DURGASHTAMI	18.10.2026	SUNDAY	ASVINA 26-1948
22	VIJAYA DASAMI	20.10.2026	TUESDAY	ASVINA 28-1948
23	DEEPAVALI	08.11.2026	SUNDAY	KARTIKA 17-1948
24	CHRISTMAS	25.12.2026	FRIDAY	PAUSHA 04-1948

ANNEXURE.I (A)

(G.O.Rt.No.2276 General Administration (Poll.B) Department, Dated:04.12.2025)

Festivals/occasions occur on Sundays during the year 2026

Sl.No.	Name of the Occasion / Festival	Date	Day	Saka-Era
1	MAHA SIVARATRI	15.02.2026	SUNDAY	MAGHA 26-1947
2	BABU JAGJIVAN RAM's BIRTHDAY	05.04.2026	SUNDAY	CHAITRA 15-1947
3	DURGASHTAMI	18.10.2026	SUNDAY	ASVINA 26-1948
4	DEEPAVALI	08.11.2026	SUNDAY	KARTIKA 17-1948

ANNEXURE.II

(G.O.Rt.No.2276 General Administration (Poll.B) Department, dated:04.12.2025)

OPTIONAL HOLIDAYS FOR THE YEAR 2026

Sl. No	Name of the occasion / festival	Date	Day	SAKA-ERA
1	NEW YEAR'S DAY	01.01.2026	THURSDAY	PAUSHA 11-1947
2	BIRTHDAY OF HAZRATH ALI (R.A.)	03.01.2026	SATURDAY	PAUSHA 13-1947
3	SHAB-E-MERAJ (27 th Rajab)	16.01.2026	FRIDAY	PAUSHA 26-1947
4	SHAB-E-BARATH	03.02.2026	TUESDAY	MAGHA 14-1947
5	SHAHADAT OF HAZRATH ALI (R.A.)	11.03.2026	WEDNESDAY	PHALGUNA 20-1947
6	JAMATUL VEDA	13.03.2026	FRIDAY	PHALGUNA 22-1947
7	SHAB-E-QADAR	15.03.2026	SUNDAY	PHALGUNA 24-1947

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8	MAHAVEER JAYANTHI	31.03.2026	TUESDAY	CHAITRA 10-1948
9	BASAVA JAYANTHI	20.04.2026	MONDAY	CHAITRA 30-1948
10	BUDDHA PURNIMA	01.05.2026	FRIDAY	VAISAKHA 11-1948
11	EID-E-GADEER	03.06.2026	WEDNESDAY	JYAISHTHA 03-1948
12	MOHARRAM (1447 Hijri)	16.06.2026	TUESDAY	JYAISHTHA 26-1948
13	RATHA YATRA	16.07.2026	THURSDAY	ASHADHA 25-1948
14	ARBAYEEN (CHAHALLUM 1447 HIJRI)	04.08.2026	TUESDAY	SRAVANA 13-1948
15	PARSI NEW YEAR'S DAY	15.08.2026	SATURDAY	SRAVANA 24-1948
16	YAZ DAHUM SHAREEF	22.09.2026	TUESDAY	BHADRA 31-1948
17	MAHALAYA AMAVASYA	10.10.2026	2 nd SATURDAY	ASVINA 18-1948
18	HAZRATH SYED MOHAMMED JUVANPURI MEHDI'S BIRTHDAY	27.10.2026	TUESDAY	KARTIKA 05-1948
19	GURU NANAK JAYANTHI	24.11.2026	TUESDAY	AGRAHAYANA 03-1948
20	CHRISTMAS EVE	24.12.2026	THURSDAY	PAUSHA 03-1948
21	BOXING DAY	26.12.2026	SATURDAY	PAUSHA 05-1948

ANNEXURE.II (A)

(G.O.Rt.No.2276 General Administration (Poll.B) Department, dated:04.12.2025)

Festivals/occasions occur on Second Saturdays/Sundays during the year 2026

Sl.No.	Name of the occasion / festival	Date	Day	SAKA-ERA
1	SHAB-E-QADAR	15.03.2026	SUNDAY	PHALGUNA 24-1947
2	MAHALAYA AMAVASYA	10.10.2026	2 nd SATURDAY	ASVINA 18-1948

**K.VIJAYANAND
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

SECTION OFFICER

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

HOLIDAYS – Holidays under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 for the year 2026
– Notified.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (POLITICAL.B) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt. No.2277

Dated: 04.12.2025

ORDER:

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GENERAL HOLIDAYS UNDER NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS ACT, 1881

Sl. No.	Name of the occasion/Festival	Date	Day	SAKA-ERA
1	MAKARA SANKRANTI	15.01.2026	THURSDAY	PAUSHA 25-1947
2	REPUBLIC DAY	26.01.2026	MONDAY	MAGHA 06-1947
3	MAHA SIVARATRI	15.02.2026	SUNDAY	MAGHA 26-1947
4	HOLI	03.03.2026	TUESDAY	PHALGUNA 12-1947
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ANNEXURE.I (A)

(G.O.Rt.No.2277 General Administration (Poll.B) Department, dated:04.12.2025)

Festivals/occasions occur on Second Saturdays/Sundays during the year 2026

Sl. No.	Name of the occasion/ festival	Date	DAY	SAKA-ERA
1	MAHA SIVARATRI	15.02.2026	SUNDAY	MAGHA 26-1947
2	DEEPAVALI	08.11.2026	SUNDAY	KARTIKA 17-1948

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**K.VIJAYANAND
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Commissioner of Printing & Stationery (Publication wing),
Vijayawada (with a request to arrange to publish the above Notification
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copies to Government).

The Commissioner, Information & Public Relations, A.P., Vijayawada
(with a request to give wide publicity through media).

All the Departments of Secretariat.

All the Heads of Departments.

All the District Collectors in the State.

All the administrative Sections in General Administration Department.

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The Resident Commissioner, A.P. Bhavan, New Delhi.
The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Finance,
Department of Economic Affairs, Banking Division, New Delhi.
The Chief Secretaries of all the States and Union Territories.
The General Manager & Convener, State Level Bankers Committee,
Andhra Pradesh, 2nd Floor, Andhra Bank Building, R.R. Appa Rao Street,
VIJAYAWADA.
The Convener, United Forum of Bank Unions, Iyyangar Plaza,
Bank Street, Koti, HYDERABAD-500 095.
All the Heads of Local Financial Institutions in the State.
All the Officers in the CMO.
The P.S. to Chief Secretary to Government.
The P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government (Political).
SF/SC (2970189).

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SECTION OFFICER