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## <u>List of Public Holidays in the State of West Bengal for the year 2024 under Negotiable Instruments</u> Act, 1881

Government of West Bengal, Finance [Audit] Department, vide its Notification No.6112-F(P2) dated 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023, 6747-F(P2)/FA/O/1H-04/12 dated 26<sup>th</sup> December 2023 and 1235-F(P2) dated 9<sup>th</sup> March 2024 in exercise of the power conferred by the explanation to Section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (XXVI of 1881) read with Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, Notification No.20/25/56-pub(I) dated 8th June, 1957, the Governor have declared the list of Public Holidays under Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 in the State of West Bengal for the year 2024, which is given below for information of all concerned.

Particulars		Date of Holiday	
New Year's Day	:	1 <sup>st</sup> January	Monday
Birth Day of Swami Vivekananda	:	12 <sup>th</sup> January	Friday
Netaji's Birth Day	:	23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Tuesday
Republic Day	:	26 <sup>th</sup> January	Friday
Saraswati Puja [Sree Panchami]	:	14 <sup>th</sup> February	Wednesday
Doljatra	:	25 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday
Good Friday	:	29 <sup>th</sup> March	Friday
Eid-UI-Fitr	:	11 <sup>th</sup> April	Thursday
Ram Navami	:	17 <sup>th</sup> April	Wednesday
May Day	:	1 <sup>st</sup> May	Wednesday
Birth Day of Rabindranath Tagore	:	8 <sup>th</sup> May	Wednesday
Buddha Purnima	:	23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Thursday
Id-Ud-Zoha (Bakrid)	:	17 <sup>th</sup> June	Monday
Muharram	:	17 <sup>th</sup> July	Wednesday
Independence Day	:	15 <sup>th</sup> August	Thursday
Janmastami	:	26 <sup>th</sup> August	Monday
Birth Day of Gandhiji	:	2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Wednesday
Mahalaya	:	2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Wednesday
Durga Puja, Maha Saptami	:	10 <sup>th</sup> October	Thursday
Durga Puja, Maha Astami & Maha Nabami	:	11 <sup>th</sup> October	Friday
Durga Puja, Dasami	:	12 <sup>th</sup> October	Saturday
Lakshmi Puja	:	16 <sup>th</sup> October	Wednesday
Kali Puja	:	31st October	Thursday
Chhat Puja	:	7 <sup>th</sup> November	Thursday
Birth Day of Guru Nanak	:	15 <sup>th</sup> November	Friday
Christmas Day	:	25 <sup>th</sup> December	Wednesday

Yearly Closing of Bank Account : 1st April (Monday) (for Banks only)



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- Sundays are holidays under the Negotiable Instrument Act.
- 2nd and 4th Saturdays in each month are Public Holidays under N.I. Act.
- ❖ In the year 2024, the following festivals / occasions fall on Sundays which are public Holidays under N.I. Act and hence not been included in the list of Holidays.

Particulars		Date of Holiday	
Bengali New Year's Day (Nababarsha)	:	14 <sup>th</sup> April	Sunday
Birth Day of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar	:	14 <sup>th</sup> April	Sunday
Mahavir Jayanti	:	21 <sup>st</sup> April	Sunday
Bhratridwitiya	:	3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Sunday

## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO BE FOLLOWED IN ALL TYPES OF HOLIDAYS INCLUDING HOLIDAYS FOR THE MUSLIM FESTIVALS

- 1. No substitute holiday shall be allowed if any of the festival holidays initially notified subsequently happens to fall on a weekly off or any other non-working day or in the event of more than one festival falling on the same day.
- 2. If there is any change in the date of Eid-UI-Fitr, Id-Ud-Zoha, Muharram depending upon the sighting of the moon, holiday will be declared by a separate order for the date on which the festival would be actually observed in lieu of the date originally notified as holiday for this festival.
- 3. It may happen that the change of date of abovementioned occasions has to be notified at a very short notice. In such a situation, announcement would be made through T.V. /A.I.R. / News Papers and Heads of Department / Offices of the State Government may take action according to such announcements without waiting for formal order about the change of date.