



Indian Banks' Association

HR & INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

No.CIR/HR&IR/H6/2011-12/4826

January 9, 2012

All Members of the Association (Designated Officers)

Dear Sirs,

Public Holidays for the Year 2012 in the State of Punjab

We enclose a copy of the Government Notification containing the list of public holidays declared under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 in the State of Punjab for the Year 2012.

In the said list, the Government of Punjab has declared Sunday, 1st April 2012 and Sunday, 30th September 2012 as public holidays for annual / half yearly closing of bank accounts respectively. Accordingly, we have taken up the matter with the Government of Punjab with a request to issue an amended notification declaring Monday, 2nd April 2012 and Saturday, 29th September 2012 as public holidays to enable banks to close their annual and half yearly accounts, respectively. On receipt of such notification, we shall advise member banks.

We have to clarify that 'public holiday' declared by Central/State Governments/ Union Territory, includes 'Sundays' as indicated under the explanation to Section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act.

Branches of banks working on Sundays observe their weekly-off on any other day of the week as decided by the Bank and notified to members of staff and public. Therefore, all Sundays will be working days for Sunday working branches, except those Sundays declared as holidays by the Central/ State Government/ Union Territory for a specified festival/occasion in a particular year, under the Negotiable Instruments Act.

Yours faithfully,

(K Ganesan)
Vice President

Encl.

c.c.to: Associate Members

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL
(PERSONNEL POLICIES-III BRANCH)

Notification

The 26th December, 2011

No.6/15/2011-6PP3/2055 It is hereby notified that the holidays enumerated in the schedule below shall be observed as Public Holidays in the State of Punjab during the Calendar year 2012 within the meaning of Section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

SCHEDULE

<u>Sr. No.</u>	<u>Name of the Holiday(s)</u>	<u>Date on which they fall</u>	<u>Day of the week</u>
1	2	3	4
	All Sundays		
	Other Holidays		
1.	Republic Day	26 th January	Thursday
2.	Birthday of Sri. Guru Ravidass Ji	7 th February	Tuesday
3.	Holi	8 th March	Thursday
4.	Bank Holiday (Annual Account closing)	1 st April	Sunday
5.	Ram Naumi	1 st April	Sunday
6.	Martyrdom Day of Sri Guru Arjun Dev Ji	25 th May	Friday
7.	Janmashtami	10 th August	Friday
8.	Independence Day	15 th August	Wednesday
9.	Idu'l Fitr	20 th August	Monday
10.	Bank Holiday (Half yearly Account closing)	30 th September	Sunday
11.	Birthday of Mahatma Gandhi Ji	2 nd October	Tuesday
12.	Dussehra	24 th October	Wednesday
13.	Birthday of Maharishi Valmiki Ji	29 th October	Monday
14.	Diwali	13 th November	Tuesday
15.	Birthday of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji	28 th November	Wednesday
16.	Christmas day	25 th December	Tuesday

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2. This has been issued in compliance with the directions issued by the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Economic Affairs (Banking Division), New Delhi vide their D.O. No. 41/2/98-BO II, dated 9th August, 2002

S.C. Agrawal
Chief Secretary to Government, Punjab