

**Government of Odisha**  
**Department of Higher Education**

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To  
The Principals  
All Govt. /Non Govt. (Aided/ Block Grant/Unaided)/Self Financing/  
Autonomous Colleges of the State

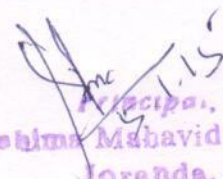
Sub: Implementation of Common Holiday List – 2015.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to say that in order to bring uniformity in observing holidays, the following "Common Holiday List" shall be strictly followed in all Govt./Non Govt. (Aided/Block Grant/Unaided)/Self Financing/Autonomous Colleges under Higher Education Department, Odisha, during the calendar year 2015. Any deviation to this shall be viewed seriously.

**Common Holidays List For The Calendar Year 2015**

| Sl. No.                         | Occasion  | Date                        | Day                   | No. of holidays excluding Sundays |
|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1                               | New Years Day                                       | 01.01.2015                  | Thursday              | 1                                 |
| 2                               | Makar Sankranti                                     | 14.01.2015                  | Wednesday             | 1                                 |
| 3                               | Netaji Jayanti                                      | 23.01.2015                  | Friday                | 1                                 |
| 4                               | Saraswoti Puja                                      | 24.01.2015                  | Saturday              | 1                                 |
| 5                               | Republic Day  | 26.01.2015                  | Monday                | 1                                 |
| 6                               | Maha Sivaratri                                      | 17.02.2015                  | Tuesday               | 1                                 |
| 7                               | Panchayat Raj Divas                                 | 05.03.2015                  | Thursday              | 1                                 |
| 8                               | Holi  | 06.03.2015                  | Friday                | 1                                 |
| 9                               | Shree Ram Navami                                    | 28.03.2015                  | Saturday              | 1                                 |
| 10                              | Utkal Divas   | 01.04.2015                  | Wednesday             | 1                                 |
| 11                              | Good Friday   | 03.04.2015                  | Friday                | 1                                 |
| 12                              | Maha Visuva Sankranti /<br>Dr.B.R. Ambedkar Jayanti | 14.04.2015                  | Tuesday               | 1                                 |
| 13                              | Summer Vacation                                     | 11.05.2015 to<br>18.06.2015 | Monday to<br>Thursday | 34<br>(Excluding 5 Sundays)       |
| 14                              | Shree Gundicha/Id-UI-Fitre                          | 18.07.2015                  | Saturday              | 1                                 |
| 15                              | Independence Day                                    | 15.08.2015                  | Saturday              | 1                                 |
| 16                              | Rakhi Purnima                                       | 29.08.2015                  | Saturday              | 1                                 |
| 17                              | Janmashthami  | 05.09.2015                  | Saturday              | 1                                 |
| 18                              | Ganesh Puja   | 17.09.2015                  | Thursday              | 1                                 |
| 19                              | Nuakhai   | 18.09.2015                  | Friday                | 1                                 |
| 20                              | Idul-Juha   | 24.09.2015                  | Thursday              | 1                                 |
| 21                              | Gandhi Jayanti                                      | 02.10.2015                  | Friday                | 1                                 |
| 22                              | Mahalaya  | 12.10.2015                  | Monday                | 1                                 |
| 23                              | Puja Vacation                                       | 19.10.2015 to<br>27.10.2015 | Monday to<br>Tuesday  | 9<br>(Including 1 Sunday)         |
| 24                              | Kali Puja   | 10.11<br>.2015              | Tuesday               | 1                                 |
| 25                              | Diwali  | 11.11.2015                  | Wednesday             | 1                                 |
| 26                              | Bada Osha   | 24.11.2015                  | Tuesday               | 1                                 |
| 27                              | Rasa Purnima  | 25.11.2015                  | Wednesday             | 1                                 |
| 28                              | Prathamastami                                       | 03.12.2015                  | Thursday              | 1                                 |
| 29                              | X-Mas Day   | 25.12.2015                  | Friday                | 1                                 |
| 30                              | Reserve Holidays                                    |                             |                       | 2                                 |
| <b>Total number of Holidays</b> |   |                             |                       | <b>72</b>                         |

  
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