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**ABSTRACT**

RESTRICTED HOLIDAYS - Inclusion of 'MAHALAYA AMAVASAI' in the list of Restricted Holidays - Orders - Issued.

**PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS (FR-III) DEPARTMENT**

G.O (Ms) No. 122

Dated: 28/12/2016

துன்முகி வருடம், மார்ச்சு - 13,  
திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2047.

Read:

1. G.O.(Ms)No.428, Personnel and Administrative Reforms (FR-III) Department, dated 16.12.2003.
2. G.O.(Ms)No.36, Personnel and Administrative Reforms (FR-III) Department, dated 02.03.2012.

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**ORDER:**

As per the Government Order first read above, the State Government Employees are entitled to avail three 'Restricted Holidays' in a year, on the festivals / occasions from the 'Restricted Holidays' enlisted in the Annexure to the Government Order at their option and irrespective of the religion to which the festival pertains. Permission to avail oneself of these holidays should be applied, in writing, in advance and will normally be granted by the superior officer, competent to grant casual leave, except that the presence of an employee is considered necessary, in exigencies of Government work.

2. In the Government Order second read above, 'Bhagawan Vaigundaswami Birthday' was included in the list of Restricted Holidays, as Serial Number 33.

3. Request had been made to the Government that 'Shabe Bharath' in respect of Muslims and 'All souls Day' in respect of Christians, which are the occasions to remember departed souls in the family and to do their rites and rituals which had already been included in the list of restricted holidays in Serial Numbers 15 and 21 respectively and that similar such occasions in respect of Hindus, i.e. Mahalaya Amavasai shall be included in the list of 'Restricted Holidays'.

4. The Government after careful consideration of the above request direct that the occasion 'MAHALAYA AMAVASAI' shall be included as one of the restricted holidays at Serial Number 34.

5. The list of restricted holidays is annexed to this order.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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**ANNEXURE**

**LIST OF RESTRICTED HOLIDAYS**

Sl. No.	Name of the Festival / Occasion	Sl. No.	Name of the Festival / Occasion
1.	Chithra Pournami	18.	Garveen of Mohideen Abdul Khader
2.	Aadi Perukku	19.	Maundy Thursday
3.	Rig Upakarma	20.	Ash Wednesday
4.	Yajur Upakarma	21.	All Souls day
5.	Gayathri Japam	22.	'X' Mas Eve
6.	Sama Upakarma	23.	New Year Eve
7.	Deepavali Nonbu	24.	Varalakshmi Viratham
8.	Karthigai Deepam	25.	Onam
9.	Vaigunda Ekadesi	26.	Shri Gurunanak Devji's Birthday
10.	Arudra Dharshan	27.	Shabe Miraj
11.	Thai Poosam	28.	Arfa
12.	Bogi	29.	Easter
13.	Masi Makam	30.	Birthday of B.R.Ambedkar
14.	Maha Sivarathri	31.	Budha Jayanthi
15.	Shabe Bharath	32.	1 <sup>st</sup> day of Ramzan
16.	Shabe Khader	33.	Bhagawan Vaigundaswami Birthday
17.	Hijra - New Year	34.	Mahalaya Amavasai

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