Chandigarh government holiday list 2026

Public holidays for Chandigarh government offices, with the weekday for each date and the long weekends they create.

15	13	2	7
holidays listed	on a working day	on a weekly off	long weekends

Holidays

#	Date	Day	Holiday
1	26 January	Monday	Republic Day
2	4 March	Wednesday	Holi
3	21 March	Saturday	Id-ul-Fitr Weekly off
4	26 March	Thursday	Ram Navami
5	31 March	Tuesday	Mahavir Jayanti
6	3 April	Friday	Good Friday
7	1 May	Friday	Budha Purnima
8	28 May	Thursday	Id-ul-Zuha (Bakrid) Date may change
9	15 August	Saturday	Independence Day Weekly off
10	4 September	Friday	Janmashtami (Vaishnava)
11	2 October	Friday	Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday
12	20 October	Tuesday	Dussehra
13	26 October	Monday	Maharishi Valmiki's Birthday
14	24 November	Tuesday	Guru Nanak's Birthday
15	25 December	Friday	Christmas Day

Long weekends in 2026

Dates	Length	Holiday
24 Jan to 26 Jan	3 days	Republic Day
3 Apr to 5 Apr	3 days	Good Friday
1 May to 3 May	3 days	Budha Purnima
4 Sep to 6 Sep	3 days	Janmashtami (Vaishnava)
2 Oct to 4 Oct	3 days	Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday
24 Oct to 26 Oct	3 days	Maharishi Valmiki's Birthday
25 Dec to 27 Dec	3 days	Christmas Day

Counts every Saturday and Sunday as off and assumes a five-day working week. Uses only the holidays above.

Good to know

- **On a Sunday.** The list also names Diwali (Deepavali) (8 November). These fall on a Sunday, so they are not counted here.
- Schedule-I names 16 holidays plus a 17th line: the Guru Gobind Singh Ji birthday holiday 'will be declared as announced by the Government of Punjab'; it is not in the list.
- Diwali (8 Nov) falls on a Sunday, leaving 15 listed holidays. Id-ul-Fitr (21 Mar) and Independence Day (15 Aug) fall on a Saturday, a weekly off in Chandigarh offices; still listed.
- Bakrid: original notification says Wednesday 27 May; Chandigarh Administration moved it to Thursday 28 May 2026. 28 May is used.
- Govardhan Puja/Vishwakarma Day (9 Nov) is a restricted holiday in the notification (Schedule-II) but is a public holiday for banks (Schedule-III).
- Muharram and Milad-un-Nabi are restricted, not gazetted, in the Chandigarh notification.
- **Optional holidays.** Each employee may take any 2 restricted holidays from Schedule-II (e.g. Lohri 13 Jan, Makar Sankranti 14 Jan, Vaisakhi 14 Apr, Muharram 26 Jun, Milad-un-Nabi 26 Aug, Raksha Bandhan 28 Aug, Karva Chauth 29 Oct, Govardhan Puja/Vishwakarma Day 9 Nov, Christmas Eve 24 Dec).
- **Source difference.** Bakrid: 27 May (notification, Keka, hono) vs 28 May (later revision per PTC News, Newswav). Chose 28 May.
- **Source difference.** Keka, hono.ai (CGEWCC central-employee list) list Muharram 26 Jun and Milad-un-Nabi 26 Aug as gazetted; the Chandigarh notification makes them restricted. Notification followed.
- **Source difference.** mysarkarinaukri adds Govardhan Puja/Vishwakarma Day 9 Nov as gazetted; the notification lists it only as restricted (public for banks). Notification followed.
- Festivals tied to the moon, such as the Eid festivals and Muharram, can move by a day. Any change is announced at short notice.

> **Source:** Chandigarh Government notification No. 6/1/1-IH(I)-2025/17488 dated 30.12.2025, Chandigarh Administration, Home Department; Bakrid moved from 27 May to 28 May 2026 by a later notification (number not found) (holidays for 2026), as read from Chandigarh Administration Home Dept notification 17488 (PDF), mysarkarinaukri, PTC News and Newswav, read on 10 November 2026. Weekdays checked against the calendar. This list is for information and is not legal advice.

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