2021 Holiday Calendar and other days of leave

Plan your holidays for 2021

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to share the list of national and festival holidays for 2021. Continuing with the practice we introduced in 2020 we are again giving you the flexibility to pick two optional holidays of your choice in addition to the regular holidays listed below. All you need to do is refer to the list of optional holidays and declare your choices through the People system. Then, follow the guide to register for optional holidays, and you're all set! BUT, please do not forget to book these optional days and remember that if you leave this until later in the year, your options will become more limited.

Here is the list of National and Festival holidays for 2021.

SL No	Date	Day	Holiday
1	26-Jan-21	Tuesday	Republic day
2	02-Apr-21	Friday	Good Friday
3	13-Apr-21	Tuesday	Chandramana Ugadi
4	14-May-21	Friday	ldul Fitr / Kutub - A – Ramzan
5	10-Sep-21	Friday	Vinayaka Vratha/Ganesha Chaturthi
6	15-Oct-21	Friday	Vijaya Dashami
7	01-Nov-21	Monday	Kannada Rajyotsava
8	05-Nov-21	Friday	Deepavali

Important:

- The above holiday calendar applies to colleagues who follow the India holiday calendar
- Colleagues working on assignments/projects from other countries will need to follow their country's respective Holiday list. Managers will communicate this information to their teams.
- Please note that the mandatory holidays listed below, will fall on a weekend in 2021 and are not included on the list.
 - May Day (1st May)
 - Independence Day (15th Aug)
 - o Gandhi Jayanti (2nd October)

Two optional holidays: In addition to the above, colleagues may choose two holidays from the list of optional holiday dates below.



To book your optional holidays logon onto MyPeopleSystem -> Type: Absence Management -> Others. Please raise a ticket on e-Connect if you face any problems.

Date	Day	Festival	
01-Jan-21	Friday	New Year	
13-Jan-21	Wednesday	Lohri	
14-Jan-21	Thursday	Makara Sankranti/Pongal	
20-Jan-21	Wednesday	Guru Gobind Singh Jayanti	
16-Feb-21	Tuesday	Vasant Panchami	
11-Mar-21	Thursday	Maha Shivarathri	
29-Mar-21	Monday	Holi	
02-Apr-21	Friday	Good Friday	
13-Apr-21	Tuesday	Chandramana Ugadi	
14-Apr-21	Wednesday	Tamil New Year/Vishu/Vaisakhi/BohagBihu	
21-Apr-21	Wednesday	Ram Navami	
14-May-21	Friday	Idul Fitr / Kutub - A /Ramzan	
26-May-21	Wednesday	Budh Purnima/Vesak	
21-Jul-21	Wednesday	Bakrid	
11-Aug-21	Wednesday	Hariyali Teej	
16-Aug-21	Monday	Parsi New Year	
19-Aug-21	Thursday	Last day of Muharram	
20-Aug-21	Friday	Varamahalakshmi Vrath	
30-Aug-21	Monday	Janmashtami	
10-Sep-21	Friday	Vinayaka Vratha/Ganesha Chaturthi	
06-Oct-21	Wednesday	Mahalaya Amavasya	
14-Oct-21	Thursday	Mahanavami/Ayudha Pooja	
15-Oct-21	Friday	Vijaya Dashami	
19-Oct-21	Tuesday	Id - Milad	
20-Oct-21	Wednesday	Valmiki Jayanti	
03-Nov-21	Wednesday	Naraka Chaturdashi	
05-Nov-21	Friday	Balipadyami / Deepavali	
10-Nov-21	Wednesday	Chhath Puja	
19-Nov-21	Friday	Gurunanak Jayanti/Karthika Poornima	
22-Nov-21	Monday	Kanakadasa Jayanti	

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Earned leave and sick/casual leave:

These remain unchanged and you can enjoy 18 days of earned leave and 12 days of sick/casual leave between 1st April – 31st March.

Supporting you during Covid:

We will continue to support you if you test positive for Covid and will provide 14 calendar days of paid leave to aid your recovery. For most colleagues, this has thankfully been ample time. However, should you be hospitalised we will extend your leave by another 14 days (upon receipt of medical reports) thus allowing 28 days of Covid leave for those who need more time to recover.



^{**}National and festival holidays run from 1st January to 31st December.