Ladakh government holiday list 2026

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

15	15	0	0
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	Nauroz
4	21 March	Saturday	Eid-ul-Fitr Date may change
5	14 April	Tuesday	Birthday of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar
6	1 May	Friday	Buddha Purnima
7	28 May	Thursday	Eid-ul-Azha (Bakrid) Date may change
8	26 June	Friday	Ashoora (Muharram) Date may change
9	15 August	Saturday	Independence Day
10	26 August	Wednesday	Eid-i-Milad-ul-Nabi Date may change
11	2 October	Friday	Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday
12	20 October	Tuesday	Dussehra
13	24 November	Tuesday	Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Birthday
14	9 December	Wednesday	Losar
15	25 December	Friday	Christmas Day

Long weekends in 2026

None this year with the weekly offs counted above.

> Counts every Sunday as off. Saturday holidays in the list are counted as off too. 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.
- Annexure A lists 16 public holidays throughout the UT; Diwali (8 Nov) falls on a Sunday, leaving 15 listed holidays (16 minus Diwali) on 14 dates; 21 Mar carries two (Nauroz and Eid-ul-Fitr).
- Bakrid: original order says Wednesday 27 May; Ladakh GAD later moved it to Thursday 28 May 2026. 28 May is used.
- Local holidays (not listed): Mela Dosmochey 16 Feb (Leh district and Zanskar only), Eid-e-Ghadeer 4 Jun (Kargil only), Hemis Tsechu 24 Jun (Leh only), Chehlum 4 Aug (Kargil only).

- Muslim holidays are subject to appearance of the moon (order note).
- Independence Day and Eid-ul-Fitr/Nauroz fall on a Saturday; they are still listed.
- Saturday weekend rule not found; recorded as unknown.
- **Optional holidays.** Each employee may take any 2 restricted holidays from Annexure C (19 entries, e.g. Guru Gobind Singh Ji's Birthday 5 Jan, Lohri 13 Jan, Ram Navami 26 Mar, Good Friday 3 Apr, Raksha Bandhan 28 Aug, Janmashtami 4 Sep, Mahanavami 20 Oct).
- **Saturdays.** We could not confirm which Saturdays are off for state offices, so only Sundays are counted as weekly offs.
- **Source difference.** Bakrid: 27 May (original order and Annexure D, greytHR-type copies) vs 28 May (later Ladakh GAD revision per Chenab Times / Daily Excelsior). Chose 28 May.
- **Source difference.** One aggregator shows Hemis Tsechu on 24 Jul; the order says 24 Jun (Wednesday). Local holiday only.
- 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:** Ladakh Government notification Order No. 530-LA(GAD) of 2025 dated 14.11.2025, General Administration Department, UT of Ladakh (Annexure A public, B local, C restricted, D bank holidays); Bakrid moved to 28 May 2026 by a later partial modification (holidays for 2026), as read from Ladakh GAD Order 530-LA(GAD) of 2025 (PDF copy), The Chenab Times and Daily Excelsior, read on 10 November 2026. Weekdays checked against the calendar. This list is for information and is not legal advice.

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