

LIST OF HOLIDAYS

List of 2026 Government Holidays in West Bengal

This definitive 2026 holiday blueprint from the West Bengal government charts pauses for state offices, schools, and banks (lunar-synchronized dates are provisional and may recalibrate via announcements).

Date	Weekday	Occasion
January 1, 2026	Thursday	New Year's Day
January 12, 2026	Monday	Swami Vivekananda Jayanti
January 22, 2026	Thursday	Day before Saraswati Puja
January 23, 2026	Friday	Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Jayanti / Saraswati Puja
January 26, 2026	Monday	Republic Day
February 4, 2026	Wednesday	Shab-e-Barat
February 14, 2026	Saturday	Birthday of Thakur Panchanan Barma
February 15, 2026	Sunday	Maha Shivratri
March 3, 2026	Tuesday	Doljatra
March 4, 2026	Wednesday	Day after Doljatra
March 17, 2026	Tuesday	Birthday of Shri Shri Harichand Thakur

March 20, 2026	Friday	Day before Id-ul-Fitr
March 21, 2026	Saturday	Id-ul-Fitr (Tentative)
March 26, 2026	Thursday	Ram Navami
March 31, 2026	Tuesday	Mahavir Jayanti
April 1, 2026	Wednesday	Annual Closing of Accounts (Banks)
April 3, 2026	Friday	Good Friday
April 14, 2026	Tuesday	Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Jayanti
April 15, 2026	Wednesday	Bengali New Year's Day (Nababarsha)
May 1, 2026	Friday	May Day / Buddha Purnima
May 9, 2026	Saturday	Rabindranath Tagore Jayanti
May 26, 2026	Tuesday	Day before Id-ul-Zuha
May 27, 2026	Wednesday	Id-ul-Zuha / Bakrid (Tentative)
June 26, 2026	Friday	Muharram (Tentative)
July 13, 2026	Monday	Birthday of Poet Bhanu Bhakt (Darjeeling/Kalimpong only)
July 16, 2026	Thursday	Ratha Yatra
August 15, 2026	Saturday	Independence Day

August 26, 2026 Wednesday Id-e-Milad (Tentative)

August 28, 2026 Friday Raksha Bandhan

September 4, 2026 Friday Janmashtami

September 17, 2026 Thursday Vishwakarma Puja

September 22, 2026 Tuesday Karam Puja

October 2, 2026 Friday Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti

October 10, 2026 Saturday Mahalaya

October 15, 2026 Thursday Durga Puja - Maha Chaturthi

October 16, 2026 Friday Durga Puja - Maha Panchami

October 17, 2026 Saturday Durga Puja - Maha Shashthi

October 18, 2026 Sunday Durga Puja - Maha Saptami

October 19, 2026 Monday Durga Puja - Maha Ashtami

October 20, 2026 Tuesday Durga Puja - Maha Navami

October 21, 2026 Wednesday Durga Puja - Vijaya Dasami

October 22, 2026 Thursday Additional Day for Durga Puja

October 23, 2026 Friday Additional Day for Durga Puja

October 24, 2026 Saturday Additional Day for Durga Puja

October 25, 2026 Sunday Lakshmi Puja

November 8, 2026 Sunday Kali Puja / Diwali

November 9, 2026 Monday Additional Day for Kali Puja

November 10, 2026 Tuesday Additional Day for Kali Puja

November 11, 2026 Wednesday Bhai Dooj

November 12, 2026 Thursday Day after Bhai Dooj

November 15, 2026 Sunday Chhath Puja / Birsa Munda Jayanti

November 16, 2026 Monday Additional Day for Chhath Puja

November 24, 2026 Tuesday Guru Nanak Jayanti

December 25, 2026 Friday Christmas Day

The West Bengal government's holiday calendar for 2026 bursts with the state's artistic heart and passionate devotion. It celebrates the grand story of Durga Puja and the thoughtful light of Rabindra Jayanti, alongside steady national holidays.

This colourful collection invites artists, worshippers, and families to blend their crafts, prayers, and meetings, sparking creativity and unity through every season

The Baba Saheb Ambedkar Education University (BSAEU) - formerly WBUTTEPA - holiday list for 2026 typically aligns with the West Bengal government calendar, including major festivals, national holidays, and academic breaks. Key expected holidays include Saraswati Puja in January, Holi in March, and extended breaks during Eid and Diwali.

Key Holidays & Suspensions (Tentative 2026):

- **January:** Birthday of Swami Vivekananda (Jan 11), Netaji's Birthday/Saraswati Puja (Jan 22), Republic Day (Jan 25).
- **February:** Shab-e-Barat (Feb 4).
- **March:** Holi/Doljatra, Ram Navami.
- **April:** Good Friday, Mahavir Jayanti.
- **Summer/Mid-Year:** Specific dates for Eid-ul-Fitr and Rathayatra.
- **Other:** Birsha Munda Birthday, Thakur Panchanan Barma Birthday.