

I would like to take this opportunity also to inform all Government Institutions who may be having an observed holiday that is not listed here to alert this ministry so that the observed holiday is included in the list. We do update the annual public holidays calendar every year, therefore if you have new developments to be incorporated just inform this office.

It is worth noting here that as the situation may require the office of the president may announce extraordinary public holiday, which is not included in this list, therefore the public is to adhere to such pronouncements.

I wish you all happy 2025 public holidays celebrations.



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Part I

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN MINISTRY OF LABOUR

Public Holidays Calendar 2025

S/NO.	Date of Holiday	Name of Holiday / Event	No. of Days	Remarks
1.	January 1st	New Year	1 day - Wednesday	Celebrating and observing the dawn of the New Year, reflecting on the past and ushering in hope for the future.
2.	March 30th - 1st April	Eid-El Fitr	3 calendar days Sunday to Tuesday	Muslim holiday marking the end of the fasting month of Ramadan. It is to be noted that the beginning of this holiday depends on sighting of the new moon.
3.	April 18th	Easter Holiday	4 calendar days Good Friday to Easter Monday	Christian commemoration of the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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4.	May 1st	International Labour Day	1 day - Thursday	International day recognizing the role of workers in development.
5.	May 16th	SPLA Day	1 day - Friday	The day a unit of South Sudanese soldiers rebelled in Bor town leading to the subsequent birth of the SPLM/A
6.	June 6th to 8th	Eid El-Adha	3 calendar days Friday to Sunday	Muslim sacrificial festivity marking the end of Hajj, the annual Muslim pilgrimage to Mecca.
7.	July 9th	Independence Day	1 day-Wednesday	The day South Sudan became an independent nation.
8.	July 30th	Martyrs' Day	1 day-Wednesday	The day the founding Chairman of the SPLM died in a plane crash. The day is marked for commemoration of all martyrs.
9.	December 24th – 26th	Christmas Holiday	3 calendar days Wednesday-Friday	Christian holiday that marks the Birth of Jesus Christ.

Note: Exact dates for Easter and Muslim holidays are determined by Christian and Muslim calendars respectively.

Part II

MINISTRY OF LABOUR OBSERVED HOLIDAYS 2025

S/NO.	Date of Holiday	Name of Holiday / Event	Remarks
1.	9th January	CPA Day - Thursday	The day the CPA was signed between NCP and SPLM/A in Nairobi, Kenya.
2.	22nd Feb	Nile Day-Saturday	To raise awareness and visibility of the Nile Basin Initiative, to recognize and celebrate the rich and varied cultures of the Nile Basin
3.	8th March	International Women's Day - Friday	To sensitize societies about the crucial role women, play in their family and nation.
4.	20th March	International Earth Day – Thursday	To focus attention on the need to protect the environment.
5.	22nd March	World Water Day - Saturday	Focus attention on the importance of fresh water and advocate for sustainable management of fresh water resources and taking action to address the global water crisis.
6.	7th April	International Health Day-Monday	To raise awareness on how to look after our health.

7.	25th April	World Malaria Day – Friday	To raise awareness on eradication of Malaria.
8.	3rd May	Freedom of Expression Day - Saturday	The day when the media celebrate the right of freedom of expression.
9.	12th May	Mothers' Day - Monday	The international day for remembering and honouring mothers.
10.	4th June	African Child Wednesday	To draw attention to the plight of neglected African children.
11.	10th June	Fathers' Day - Tuesday	The day for remembering all fathers.
12.	12th June	Child Labour Day– Thursday	Awareness on elimination of the worst form of child labour worldwide.
13.	16th June	African Child's Day – Monday	Commemorated annually to remember the African Children in Soweto, South Africa, who were brutally massacred in 1976 by the then Apartheid regime during a protest for their right to be taught in schools in their language rather than Afrikaans.

14.	20th June	International Refugee Day - Friday	To raise awareness about the suffering of refugees and problems that drive them away from their countries.
15.	12th August	International Youth Day – Tuesday	A day the United Nations have set aside to remind all Governments to carry out their obligations on youth issues.
16.	1st-7th Sep	Public Service Week – Monday - Sunday	A week for public service institutions to account to the public by displaying their services to the public.
17.	5th Sep	El Moulid El Nabawi - Day Friday	The day marking the birth of Prophet Mohammed.
18.	21st Sep	International Peace Day – Sunday	To draw attention to the importance of international peace and promote it by addressing conflicts through dialogue.
19.	13th Oct	International Day for Disaster Reduction Monday	Designated by UN to raise awareness about risk reduction and building communities that are risk resilient

20.	16th Oct	World Food Day Thursday	Designated by the UN in commemoration of the founding of the Food and Agriculture Organization, the World Food Day aims to raise awareness of global hunger and encourage people to take action.
21.	24th Oct	UN Day - Friday	The day the UN came into existence, in 1948.
22.	19th Nov	World Toilet Day Wednesday	Create awareness on the need to have access to a toilet-connected sanitation system that effectively removes and treats human waste
23.	1st Dec	World Aids Day - Monday	A day of public awareness on HIV/AIDS.
24.	3rd Dec	International Day of Persons with Disabilities Wednesday	UN recognized as International Day of Persons with Disabilities
25.	10th Dec	Human Rights Day - Wednesday	The day the United Nations has set aside to remind all institutions in the member states to observe all aspects of human rights.