



NO.BPRD/SLD-05/2023/9227

November 8, 2023

The Presidents / Chief Executives
All Banks / MFBs

Dear Sir / Madam

CLOSURE OF BANK BRANCHES ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023 DUE TO SMOG

Pursuant to the Notification No.SOW-I(S&GAD)1-3/2008(P-III) dated November 08, 2023 issued by the Government of Punjab (copy enclosed), it has been decided that all banks / MFBs shall keep their branches closed in Lahore Division (viz. District Lahore, Nankana Sahib, Sheikhupura, Kasur), District Gujranwala, District Hafizabad, District Sialkot and District Narowal on Friday, November 10, 2023.

Yours truly,


(MUHAMMAD ASAD AKBAR)
Deputy Director

Encl: As above

Banking Policy & Regulations Department

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GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
SERVICES AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT
(WELFARE WING)

Dated Lahore the 08th November, 2023

NOTIFICATION

No. SOW-I(S&GAD)1-3/2008(P-III): It is notified for general information that a Public Holiday shall be observed on **10th November, 2023 (Friday)** in **Lahore Division (District Lahore, Nankana Sahib, Sheikhpura, Kasur), District Gujranwala, District Hafizabad, District Sialkot & District Narowal**, due to smog, except those offices exempted by Primary & Secondary Healthcare Department vide order No.SO(G)/P&SHD/4-1/2023 dated 07.11.2023.

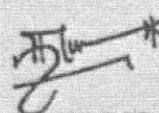
2. The above Notification may be published in all major English and Urdu Dailies both at National and Regional levels, and also be given wide publicity through electronic media.

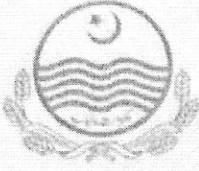
**CHIEF SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB**

**The Director General (Public Relations),
Punjab, Lahore.**

Copy forwarded to:-

1. The Principal Secretary to Governor, Punjab.
2. The Secretary to Chief Minister, Punjab.
3. The Chairman, Planning & Development Board.
4. The Senior Member Board of Revenue, Punjab.
5. The Inspector General of Police, Punjab.
6. The Secretary, Primary & Secondary Healthcare Department w.r.t order No.SO(G)/P&SHD/4-1/2023 dated 07.11.2023.
7. All Administrative Secretaries to Government of the Punjab.
8. All Heads of Attached Departments in the Punjab.
9. All the Commissioners in the Punjab.
10. All the Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab.
11. The Secretary, Punjab Public Service Commission, Lahore.
12. The Registrar, Lahore High Court, Lahore.
13. The Registrar, Punjab Service Tribunal, Lahore.
14. All Heads of Autonomous, Semi Autonomous Bodies in the Punjab.
15. The Director General Public Relations, Punjab, Lahore with the request to give wide publicity in the electronic media as well as print media.
16. PSDs to Chief Secretary / Additional Chief Secretary, Punjab.
17. All PSs to Provincial Ministers and Advisors to Chief Minister, Punjab.
18. PSs to Secretary (Services), Secretary (I&C), Secretary (Archives & Libraries), Secretary (Regulations) and Members Enquires, S&GAD.


**(SAFDAR SHABBIR)
SECTION OFFICER (WELFARE-I)**



GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
PRIMARY AND SECONDARY
HEALTHCARE DEPARTMENT

Lahore the 7th November, 2023

ORDER

NO.SO(G)/P&SHD/4-1/2023. WHEREAS, the spread of Conjunctivitis / Pink Eye due to bacterial or viral infection, smoke, dust or chemical exposure is increasing day by day, which poses a serious and imminent threat to public health. Hence, it is mandatory to take all possible safety measures for prevention and control of this disease in the Province of Punjab.

2. AND WHEREAS, in my opinion there are sufficient grounds to proceed under Section 4(c), 5(1)(e) and 5(1)(f) of the Punjab Infectious Diseases (Prevention and Control) Act, 2020", as an immediate preventive and speedy remedy and the directions hereinafter appearing are necessary to ensure public health and conserve lives in the Province of Punjab.

3. NOW THEREFORE, I, Ali Jan Khan, Secretary, Primary & Secondary Healthcare Department, Government of the Punjab, after approval from the Chief Minister and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 4(c), 5(1)(e) and 5(1)(f) of the Punjab Infectious Diseases (Prevention and Control) Act, 2020, do hereby order that there shall be "**restricted movement**" in the areas of Lahore Division (District Lahore, Nankana Sahib, Sheikhpura, Kasur), District Gujranwala, District Hafizabad, and District Narowal, having highest Air Quality Index (AQI) and potential hotspots for Conjunctivitis due to SMOG.

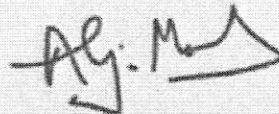
4. Furthermore, the following shall also be observed during Thursday to Sunday i.e., November 9, 2023 to November 12, 2023:

- a. All markets, shopping malls, restaurants, cinemas, gymnasiums, schools (public and private), and offices (public and private) shall remain closed in these areas.
- b. There shall be limited movement of people to and from these areas by public and private transport.
- c. In the closed areas the following shall be exempted from this order:

- (1) Pharmacies/ Medical Stores, Medical Facilities and Vaccination Centers, Petrol Pumps, Oil Depots, Tandoors, Bakeries, Grocery / Karyana stores, Milk / Dairy Shops, Sweet Shops, Vegetable / Fruit Shops, Chicken / Meat Shops, E-commerce / Postal / Courier Services and Utility Services (Electricity, Natural Gas, Internet, Cellular Networks / Telecom.

- (2) Large departmental stores will only keep their grocery / pharmacy sections open while all others sections will remain closed.
- (3) Officials of Government departments on duty duly notified by respective departments.
- (4) Judges, Lawyers and Court staff.
- (5) Personnel related to Health Services including Hospitals, Clinics, Laboratories collection points and Medical stores.
- (6) Personnel related to Law Enforcement Agencies.
- (7) Personnel related to Essential Services / Offices going to perform their duties or providing essential services.
- (8) Persons in need of medical care with two attendants where necessary.
- (9) Persons going to buy grocery and medicines within the vicinity of their residence.
- (10) Necessary / unavoidable religious rites like the last rites, Namaz-e-Janaza, burial and related events.
- (11) Utility Companies: WASAs, Municipalities, WAPDA, NTDC, DISCOs and SNGPL.
- (12) Takeaway / Home delivery from restaurants.
- (13) Any exemption that may be deemed necessary by the Commissioner of the concerned division.

5. This order shall be given wide publicity in official Gazette, Daily Newspapers and broadcasting through Radio Pakistan, Pakistan Television and other TV Channels as news item for information of the general public.




**SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
PRIMARY AND SECONDARY
HEALTHCARE DEPARTMENT**

NO. & DATE EVEN

A copy is forwarded for information and necessary action to the: -

1. Chief Secretary, Punjab.
2. Inspector General of Police, Punjab
3. Senior Member Board of Revenue/Relief Commissioner, Punjab.
4. Additional Chief Secretary, Punjab
5. Additional Chief Secretary (Home), Punjab.
6. Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Punjab
7. Principal Secretary to Governor, Punjab.

8. Registrar, Lahore High Court, Lahore.
9. All Administrative Secretaries in the Punjab.
10. Secretary, Law and Parliamentary Affairs Department.
11. Secretary, Information Department, Punjab with the request to give wider publicity to this order in print and electronic media as news item.
12. Divisional Commissioner, Concerned.
13. Regional Police Officer, Concerned.
14. Director General, Provincial Disaster Management Authority, Punjab.
15. Deputy Commissioner, Concerned.
16. City/District Police Officer, Concerned
17. Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Secretary, Punjab.
18. Superintendent, Government Printing Press, Punjab, Lahore with the request to ensure publication of this order in Official Gazette.



SECTION OFFICER
(GENERAL)