

Sub.:- Permission for appearing accused person before the Registry on the next working day in place of the date of appearance declares as a holiday.

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In the minutes of the meeting with representatives of Bar Associations held on 17-04-2017 in the chamber of Hon'ble the Chief Justice, it was resolved that *"after suspension of sentence and/or releasing of accused from Jail, the intervening period between the dates of appearance/hearing before Registry or in the District Court may generally be restricted to around 1½ year or as per the order of Hon'ble Court"*.

In compliance of the above-mentioned direction, dates are being given accordingly to the accused persons after suspension of sentence and or releasing of accused from Jail maintaining the intervening period of around 1½ year between the dates of appearance/hearing before the Registry or as per the order of Hon'ble the Court.

The scheduled calendar of the High Court for the period of after 1½ year has yet not been published / available, therefore, it is difficult for the office to give / fix the next date of appearance to the accused persons for their appearance before the Registry. If any date for the period after 1½ year (18 months) is given by the office and if there will be a holiday / non-working day of the Registry, therefore, it will appropriate to permit the office to allow the accused persons to appear before the Registry on the very next working day, if holiday falls on the date of appearance (already given by the office) and mark the presence of the accused (if appeared) accordingly. Information in this regard should also be displayed in front of the appearance counters and also uploaded in the official website of the High Court.

Therefore, if approved :-

1. May permit the office to allow the accused persons to appear before the Registry on the very next working day, if holiday falls on the date of appearance (already given by the office) and mark the presence of the accused (if appeared) accordingly.
2. May direct to the concerned to put this information in a Notice Board in front of the appearance counters and other relevant places in the premises of the High Court to make accused persons / their counsel aware about it.
3. May permit to upload this notice also in the official website of the High Court of M.P. for information of the general public.
4. Any other appropriate order.

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HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

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(A.K. Shukla)

Principal Registrar (Judicial)