



News Release

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Commencement of Court Vacation for High Court, Magistrates' Courts

The Judiciary wishes to inform the general public, litigants, advocates, and all stakeholders that the Court Vacation for the High Court and Magistrates' Courts has officially commenced on the 15th July 2025, and will run until 15th August 2025.

The Court Vacation for the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal will run from August 1 to August 31, 2025.

During this period, all court registries across the country will remain open and operate normally to facilitate the filing of new cases and other registry-related activities.

The Court Vacation is provided for under the Judicature (Court Vacation) Rules, Statutory Instrument 13-20. It is intended to allow Judicial Officers to focus on writing pending judgments and rulings, weeding out inactive cases from the system, reviewing work from the previous period, and planning for the next period.

The Judiciary emphasizes that this vacation period applies only to civil matters. Urgent civil cases will be handled upon filing and a grant of a certificate of urgency by designated duty Judicial Officers. Meanwhile, criminal matters will continue to be heard and managed as usual throughout the vacation period.

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