



IV CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT OF STATE OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

PRESS RELEASE

Grant of day-off April 5 and 9, 2012

The IV Constitutional Government of Timor-Leste has decided to concede day-off on April 5 and 9, for the whole day, to all staff and agents of the Ministries or dependent services, as well as the institutes and organisms integrated in the State's indirect administration.

This decision is based on Law no. 10/2005, of the 10th of August, which establishes the legal regime for holidays, official commemorative dates and days-off. Amongst the commemorative dates is Holy Thursday, which, every year, has a variable date.

Holy Thursday, which this year is celebrated on April 5, is the last day of Lent and the beginning of the Pascal Triduo in the catholic religion's calendar, and is one of the solemnities of great importance to the Christian Community in Timor-Leste. For this fact, the government decides to concede a day-off on that day.

On the 9 of the same month, a day-off is given to allow the return to the place of residence, after the celebration of Easter Sunday with their family, in the Districts.