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**COUNCIL OF  
MINISTERS**

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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Grant of day-off on March 24, 2016**

The Government has decided to grant the day off on 24<sup>th</sup> of March, 2016, to all employees of ministries, departments and State agencies including all State institutes and other Bodies.

This decision is based on Law no. 10/2005, from 10<sup>th</sup> August 10, which determines the national holidays, the official commemorative dates and days off. Amongst the commemorative dates is Holy Thursday which each year has a variable date.

The Holy Thursday this year is celebrated on 24<sup>th</sup> of March. It is the last day of Lent in the catholic religion's calendar, and is one of the solemnities of great importance to the Christian Community in Timor-Leste. Therefore the Government grants this day off, on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> of March, 2016.



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