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HOW SUNDAY HOLIDAY STARTED IN INDIA

When India was under the British rule, the mill workers in India had to work hard for all seven days of a week. They didn't get any holiday or any kind of leave to get rest.

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The British officials and workers would go to church every sunday and offer their prayers while there was no such tradition for the Indian mill workers.

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At the point of time, Narayan Meghaji Lokhande was the leader of the mill workers, he presented a proposal of a weekly holiday in front of the Britishers. He said, "After working hard for six days, the workers should get a day to serve their country

and society.

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Sunday is the day of the Hindu deity ‘Khandoba’. Hence Sunday should be declared as a holiday”. But the British officials rejected his proposal.

Lokhande didn’t accept the defeat, he continued his struggle.

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After a 7-year long struggle, on 10th June 1890, British Government declared sunday as a holiday. What’s surprising is that Indian government never issued any orders regarding this holiday.

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According to the International Organization for Standardization ISO 8601, Sunday is the 7th and also the last day of the week. In 1844, the governor general of British, introduced the provision of ‘Sunday Holiday’ for the school going students.

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The reason behind it was to allow students to engage in some creative activities on this day and take a break from the routine academics.

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