SECOND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SECOND SESSION

1958 - 1959

MINUTES of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council of the Colony of British Guiana under the British Guiana (Constitution) (Temporary Provisions) Orders in Council, 1953 and 1956, held in the Chamber of the Legislature at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

TUESDAY, 27TH JANUARY, 1959.

PRESENT:

Hon. Financial Secretary, Mr. F.W. Essex - Chairman.

Hon. Minister of Trade and Industry - Dr. C.B. Jagan.

Hon. Minister of Community Development and Education - Mr. B.H. Benn.

Hon. Minister of Natural Resources - Mr. E.B. Beharry.

Hon. Minister of Labour, Health and Housing - Mrs. Janet Jagan.

Hon. Minister of Communications and Works - Mr. Ram Karran.

r. F. Bowman

Mr. S.M. Saffee

Mr. W.O.R. Kendall

Mr. L.F.S. Burnham

Mr. S. Campbell

Mr. A.L. Jackson

Mr. Jai Narine Singh

Mr. R.E. Davis

Mr. A.M. Fredericks

Mr. H.J.M. Hubbard

Mr. A.G. Tasker, O.B.E.

with Mr. E.V. Viapree, Assistant Clerk of the Legislature, Clerk to the Committee,

and Mr. G.W. Williams, Assistant Secretary (Ag.), Finance Secretariat.

Absent:

Mr. B.S. Rai

Mr. Ajodha Singh

Mr. R.B. Gajraj

Mr. R.C. Tello

AGENDA.

Consideration of the Draft Estimates (Recurrent and Development) for 1959.

Mr. R.F. Camacho, Director of Drainage and Irrigation, was present during consideration of <u>HEAD II</u> - <u>DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION</u> and <u>HEAD IIA</u> - <u>DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION</u> - <u>ANNUALLY RECURRENT</u> and <u>HEAD III</u> - <u>DRAINAGE</u> AND IRRIGATION (DEVELOPMENT).

HEAD II - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION - passed as printed

- \$582,847

HEAD IIA - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION - ANNUALLY
RECURRENT - passed as printed

- \$221,116

HEAD III - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION (DEVELOPMENT)

Subhead 1. Black Bush Polder.

(4) Irrigation Works.

At the request of the Chairman the 1959 Estimate in respect of the above item was amended to read \$846,000 and the total of the subhead in the Appendix was accordingly amended to read \$4,076,000, the same as that of the main Head.

Subhead 3. Minor Drainage and Irrigation Works.

At the request of the Chairman, the following new items were inserted:-

Estimate 1959

- (23) Crabwood Creek, Cattle Pasture ...\$15,000
- (24) Columbia and Affiance,

Essequibo -Greenheart Panels

... 2,000

Item (23) as printed in the Draft Estimates was re-numbered as item (25) and decreased to \$58,000.

Subhead 3, Minor Drainage and Irrigation Works, was passed as printed at \$1,225,500:-

The total of <u>HEAD III</u> - <u>DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION</u> (DEVELOPMENT) was passed at \$7,684,878:-

HEAD 28 - MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND
WORKS - passed as printed - \$43,332.

HEAD 30 - MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES - passed as printed - \$54,096.

Adjournment

. At 4.45 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the Meeting to 2.00 p.m. on Wednesday, the 28th of January, 1959.

Confirmed this day of

, 1959.

Chairman, Finance Committee.

Assistant Clerk of the Legislature, Clerk to the Committee.