

FIRST SESSION

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.

on

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1957.

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.  
Mr. F. Bowman  
Mr. B.S. Rai  
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.B. Gajraj  
Mr. R.C. Tello  
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. E.D. Ford, Principal Assistant Secretary (Ag.), Finance Secretariat.

Absent:

Mr. Ajodha Singh - on leave.

AGENDA.

1. Consideration of the Draft Estimates, (Recurrent and Development) for 1958.

Mr. R.F. Camacho, Director of Drainage and Irrigation (Ag.), was present during consideration of Head II - Drainage and Irrigation, IIA - Drainage and Irrigation - Annually Recurrent, and Head III - Drainage and Irrigation (Development).

Committee considered and approved of the following Heads of Expenditure:-

	<u>Amount</u>
<u>II - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION</u> - passed as printed	\$557,908

OTHER CHARGES.

6. Experiments and Research.....\$10,000

Regarding subhead 6, Experiments and Research, the Committee considered that providing Government were satisfied that a case had been made for an increase, the amount of the vote should be increased from \$10,000 to \$13,000 .

<u>HEAD.</u>	<u>Amount.</u>
<u>IIA - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION</u> - passed as printed (Annually Recurrent)	- \$304,748
<u>III - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION</u> - passed as printed (Development)(with appendices)	\$6,919,062:-
<u>22 - LANDS AND MINES</u> - passed as printed	\$ 383,378

The meeting terminated at 5.00 p.m.

Confirmed,

Chairman,  
Finance Committee.

Asst. Clerk of the Legislature,  
Clerk to the Committee.