

SECOND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

under the

British Guiana (Constitution)(Temporary Provisions)
Orders in Council, 1953 and 1956

THIRD SESSION

1959-1960

Report of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council on its considerations of the 1960 Draft Recurrent and Development Estimates laid by the Honourable the Financial Secretary on 7th January, 1960 in connection with the Appropriation Bill.

Council Chamber.

15th January, 1960.

To His Honour the Speaker:

Your Honour,

The Finance Committee having considered the 1960 Draft Recurrent Estimates of Expenditure at meetings held on 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th January, 1960 recommends that -

1	Governor	be passed as printed	...	\$	50,851
1A	Governor's Secretariat	be passed as printed	...	\$	41,684
2	Legislature	-do-	...		168,311
3	Agriculture	-do-	...		1,962,068
4	Analyst	-do-	...		69,120
5	Audit	-do-	...		174,528
6	Central Housing & Planning Authority	-do-	...		50,761
7	Chief Secretary's Office	-do-	...		83,408
7A	Establishment	-do-	...		168,862
7B	Information Services	-do-	...		180,497
8	Civil Aviation	-do-	...		203,765
9	Co-operative	-do-	...		171,353
10	Customs and Excise	-do-	...		706,591
11	Drainage & Irrigation	be amended as follows:-			
	Subhead 1(41) "Temporary Overseers"	be amended to read "Substitutes for Staff on leave"			
		Total of head be passed at	...		581,575
11A	Drainage & Irrigation -	Annually Recurrent	be passed as printed	...	337,814
12 & 12A	Education	-do-	...		6,840,985
13	Essequibo Boys' School	-do-	...		111,954
14	Finance - Finance Secretariat	-do-	...		57,535
14A	-do- - Statistical Bureau	-do-	...		24,711
15	-do- - Accountant General	-do-	...		141,779
15A	-do- - Central Registry	-do-	...		26,407
16	-do- - Licence Revenue	-do-	...		69,041
17	-do- - Inland Revenue	-do-	...		153,638

18	Fire Protection	be passed as printed	...	\$ 492,645	
19	Forest	-do-	...	638,730	
20	Interior	-do-	...	209,416	
21	Labour	-do-	...	181,084	
22	Lands & Mines be amended as follows:-				
	Subhead 12: Purchase of Engines be increased from \$3,500 to \$4,500				
	Total of head passed at			...	441,400
23	Land Development	be passed as printed	...	680,283	
24	Law Officers	-do-	...	125,088	
25	Local Government	-do-	...	534,905	
25A	-do- - Social Welfare	-do-	...	105,493	
25B	Probation Service	-do-	...	59,032	
26	Magistrates	-do-	...	421,937	
27	Medical	-do-	...	1,266,365	
27A	-do- - Bacteriological	-do-	...	196,964	
27B	-do- - X-Ray	-do-	...	101,559	
27C	-do- - Hospitals & Dispensaries	-do-	...	4,443,915	
28	Ministry of Communications & Works	-do-	...	48,570	
29	Ministry of Labour, Health & Housing	-do-	...	41,897	
30	Ministry of Natural Resources	-do-	...	55,312	
31	Ministry of Trade & Industry	-do-	...	106,834	
32	Miscellaneous be amended as follows:-				
	Subhead 48: "Population Census & Revision of Electoral Rolls" be amended to read "Population Census"				
	Total of head passed at			...	2,043,108
33	Miscellaneous Subventions etc. - Municipal	be passed as printed	...	423,225	
34	Miscellaneous Subventions etc. - Other than Municipal	-do-	...	1,323,145	
35	Official Receiver	-do-	...	33,502	
36	Pensions and Gratuities	-do-	...	2,118,073	
37	Police	-do-	...	3,482,473	
38	Post Office	-do-	...	1,331,457	
39	-do- - Telecommunications & Telectrical Inspectors' Branch	-do-	...	931,713	
40	-do- - Savings Bank	-do-	...	60,431	
41	Prisons	-do-	...	496,276	
42	Public Debt	-do-	...	6,133,400	
43	Public Service Commission	-do-	...	38,572	
44	Public Works Department	-do-	...	1,213,083	
44A	-do- and Sea Defences - Annually Recurrent	-do-	...	3,601,350	
45	Registration - Births, Deaths and Marriages	-do-	...	64,417	
45A	-do- - Immigration Office	-do-	...	28,670	
46	Social Assistance be amended as follows:-				
	Subhead 19: "Purchase of Equipment" be increased from \$1,500 to \$5,500.				
	Total of head passed at			...	1,860,426
47	Supreme Court	-do-	...	394,651	
48	Transport and Harbours	-do-	...	1,800,000	
49	Volunteer Force	-do-	...	114,168	
50	Loans from Public Funds	-do-	...	245,000	
51	Commodity Control	-do-	...	96,581	
52	Public Works - Non Recurrent	be passed as set out in Appendix A	...	300,000	

2. A statement showing the amounts to be inserted under each head in the schedule to the Appropriation Bill in consequence of the changes recommended by the Committee is attached As Appendix "B". The sum to be inserted in the Preamble to the Bill as the gross amount required for the service of the Civil Government and for other purposes for the year 1960 is \$50,462,418 and the total amount to be appropriated which has also to be inserted in the Preamble and in Clause 2 of the Bill is \$45,104,252. The amount to be shown as provided by Law is \$5,358,166.

3. The Draft Development Estimates 1960 was considered concurrently with the Recurrent Estimates. The Committee recommended -

I.	Agriculture	be passed as printed	...	\$1,426,120	
II.	Civil Aviation	-do-	...	540,000	
III.	Drainage & Irrigation	-do-	...	7,842,600	
IV.	Education	-do-	...	1,086,000	
V.	Finance (Industry and Credits)	-do-	...	1,500,000	
VI.	Geological Surveys	-do-	...	503,019	
VII.	Health	-do-	...	306,300	
VIII.	Housing	-do-	...	1,239,711	
IX.	Lands & Mines	-do-	...	160,000	
X.	Land Development	-do-	...	1,661,693	
XI.	Post Office	-do-	...	650,000	
XII.	Public Works be amended as follows:-				
	Item 13. "Works, Nabaolis/Strathspey" of Subhead 5 - Sea & River Defences, to read "Works, Nabaolis/Annandale"				
	Total of head be passed as printed			...	4,930,000
XIII.	Transport & Harbours -				
		be passed as printed	...	2,019,688	
XIV.	Miscellaneous	-do-	...	120,787	
XV.	Rural Self-Help	-do-	...	150,000	
XVI.	Social Welfare	-do-	...	170,000	
XVII.	Local Government	-do-	...	120,000	
XVIII.	Amerindian Development	-do-	...	208,800	
XIX.	Tourism	-do-	...	45,000	

4. The Committee thus recommended that the total Development Estimates should be \$24,679,718 to be met as follows:-

Colonial Development & Welfare Assistance	-	\$ 9,564,905
Other Sources - Revenue Contribution & Loan	-	15,114,813
		<u>\$ 24,679,718</u>

F.W. ESSEX
Financial Secretary,
Chairman,
Finance Committee of the Legislative Council.

APPENDIX A

52 - PUBLIC WORKS - NON-RECURRENT

Sub-Head No.	52 - Public Works - Non-Recurrent	Actual Expenditure 1958.	Approved Estimate 1959	Estimate 1960	Comparison with 1959.	
					Increase	Decrease
1.	Revotes	\$ 1,108,069	\$ 219,704	\$ 300,000	\$ 80,296	\$
	New Works		365,296			365,296
	Total of Head	1,108,069	585,000	300,000		285,000

SCHEDULE

APPENDIX B

1.	Governor	\$ 17,251
1.A	Governor's Secretariat	41,684
2.	Legislature	43,711
3.	Agriculture	1,952,468
4.	Analyst	69,120
5.	Audit	153,888
6.	Central Housing & Planning Authority	50,761
7.	Chief Secretary's Office	71,888
7.A	Establishment	168,862
7.B	Information Services	180,497
8.	Civil Aviation	203,765
9.	Co-operative	171,353
10.	Customs & Excise	697,951
11.	Drainage & Irrigation	581,575
11.A	Drainage & Irrigation- Annually Recurrent	337,844
12 & 12.A	Education	6,832,345
13.	Essequibo Boys' School	111,954
14.	Finance Secretariat	46,975
14.A	Finance - Statistical Bureau	24,711
15.	" - Accountant General	141,779
15.A	" - Central Registry	26,407
16.	" - Licence Revenue	69,041
17.	" - Inland Revenue	153,638
18.	Fire Protection	492,645
19.	Forest	638,730
20.	Interior	209,416
21.	Labour	181,084
22.	Lands & Mines	432,760
23.	Land Development	680,283
24.	Law Officers	105,408
25.	Local Government	334,905
25.A	" " - Social Welfare	105,493
25.B	" " - Probation Service	59,032
26.	Magistrates	333,937
27.	Medical	1,256,285
27.A	" - Bacteriological	196,964
27.B	" - X-Ray	101,559
27.C	" - Hospitals & Dispensaries	4,443,915
28.	Ministry of Communications & Works	48,750
29.	Ministry of Labour, Health & Housing	41,897
30.	Ministry of Natural Resources	55,312
31.	Ministry of Trade & Industry	106,834
32.	Miscellaneous	2,043,108
33.	Miscellaneous - Subventions, etc., Municipal	423,225
34.	Miscellaneous - Subventions other than Municipal	1,323,145
35.	Official Receiver	25,342
36.	Pensions & Gratuities	508,929

SCHEDULE

APPENDIX B (contd.)

37.	Police	\$ 3,473,833
38.	Post Office	1,322,817
39.	Post Office Telecommunications & Electrical Inspectors' Branch	931,713
40.	Post Office Savings Bank	60,431
41.	Prisons	496,276
42.	Public Debt	2,849,778
43.	Public Service Commission	38,572
44.	Public Works Department	1,203,483
44.A	P.W.D. - Annually Recurrent	3,601,350
45.	Registration	64,417
45.A	Registration- Births , Deaths & Marriages - Immigration Department	28,670
46.	Social Assistance	1,860,426
47.	Supreme Court & Deeds Registry	318,491
48.	Transport & Harbours Department	1,800,000
49.	Volunteer Force	114,168
50.	Loans from Public Funds	245,000
51.	Commodity Control	96,581
52.	Public Works - Non-Recurrent	300,000.

THIRD SESSION

1959-1960

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

MONDAY, 11TH JANUARY, 1960.

PRESENT:

- Hon. Financial Secretary, Mr. F.W. Essex, C.M.G. - Chairman.
- Hon. Minister of Trade and Industry - Dr. C.B. Jagan.
- Hon. Minister of Natural Resources - Mr. B.H. Benn.
- Hon. Minister of Labour, Health and Housing - Mrs. Janet Jagan.
- Hon. Minister of Communications and Works - Mr. Ram Karran.
- Hon. Minister of Community Development and Education - Mr. B.S. Rai.
- Mr. Ajodha Singh
- Mr. W.O.R. Kendall
- Mr. S. Campbell
- Mr. A.L. Jackson
- Mr. Jai Narine Singh
- Mr. E.B. Beharry
- Mr. F. Bowman
- Mr. R.C. Tello
- 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. S.M. Saffee
- Mr. L.F.S. Burnham
- Mr. R.B. Gajraj - excused.
- Mr. R.E. Davis - excused.
- Mr. A.M. Fredericks.

- - Mr. G.B. Kennard, Director of Agriculture, was present during consideration of HEAD 3 - AGRICULTURE and HEAD I - AGRICULTURE (DEVELOPMENT).

Mr. G.H.R. Clough, Director of Education, was present during consideration of HEAD 12 and 12A - EDUCATION and HEAD IV - EDUCATION (DEVELOPMENT).

Mr. M. Belgrave, Director of Drainage and Irrigation (Ag.), was present during consideration of HEAD 11 - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION and HEAD III - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION (DEVELOPMENT).

AGENDA

1. Consideration of the Draft Estimates for 1960, Recurrent and Development.

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

<u>HEADS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u> \$
<u>1 - GOVERNOR</u> - passed as printed -	50,851:
<u>1A- GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT</u> - passed as printed -	41,684:
<u>2 - LEGISLATURE</u> - passed as printed -	168,311:
<u>4 - ANALYST</u> - passed as printed -	69,120:
<u>5 - AUDIT</u> - passed as printed -	174,528:
<u>6 - CENTRAL HOUSING AND PLANNING AUTHORITY</u> - passed as printed -	50,761:
<u>7 - CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE</u> - passed as printed -	83,408:
<u>7A- ESTABLISHMENT</u> - passed as printed -	168,862:
<u>3 - AGRICULTURE</u> - passed as printed -	1,962,068:
<u>I - AGRICULTURE (DEVELOPMENT)</u> - passed as printed -	1,426,120:
<u>7B- INFORMATION SERVICES</u> - passed as printed -	180,497:
<u>8 - CIVIL AVIATION</u> - passed as printed -	203,765:
<u>II - CIVIL AVIATION (DEVELOPMENT)</u> - passed as printed -	540,000:
<u>9 - CO-OPERATIVE</u> - passed as printed -	171,353:
<u>10- CUSTOMS AND EXCISE</u> - passed as printed -	706,591:
<u>12 - EDUCATION - EDUCATION DEPARTMENT</u> -	

Mr. Jai Narine Singh enquired whether there were Officers in the Department who were capable of taking over from the Director of Education in the future.

The Minister of Community Development and Education replied "Yes". The Member asked that it be recorded.

The Head was passed as printed -	229,318:
<u>12A - EDUCATION, SCHOOLS, INSTITUTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS - PRIMARY SCHOOLS</u> - passed as printed -	5,286,874:
<u>12A - EDUCATION, SCHOOLS, INSTITUTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS - PRACTICAL INSTRUCTION CENTRES</u> - passed as printed -	93,700:
<u>12A - EDUCATION, SCHOOLS, INSTITUTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS - MISCELLANEOUS</u> - passed as printed -	389,100:
<u>12A - EDUCATION, SCHOOLS, INSTITUTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS - GOVERNMENT TRAINING COLLEGE</u> - passed as printed -	151,165:
<u>12A - EDUCATION, SCHOOLS, INSTITUTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS - TECHNICAL INSTITUTE</u> - passed as printed -	185,692:

<u>HEADS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u> \$
<u>12A - EDUCATION, SCHOOLS, INSTITUTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS - CARNEGIE SCHOOL OF HOME ECONOMICS - passed as printed</u>	- 97,028:
<u>12A - EDUCATION, SCHOOLS, INSTITUTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS - QUEEN'S COLLEGE - passed as printed</u>	- 263,354:
<u>12A - EDUCATION, SCHOOLS, INSTITUTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS - BISHOPS' HIGH SCHOOL - passed as printed</u>	- 144,754:
<u>HEADS 12 and 12A - EDUCATION - passed as printed</u>	- \$6,840,985:
<u>HEAD IV - EDUCATION (DEVELOPMENT) - passed as printed</u>	- \$1,086,000
 <u>HEAD 11 - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION</u>	
Subhead 1 - Personal Emoluments	
Item (41) - Temporary Overseers ...	\$1,000:
At the request of the <u>Chairman</u> the above item was amended to read:	
"Substitutes for Staff on leave ..	\$1,000:"
Thereafter the Head was passed at	- \$581,575:
<u>HEAD 11A - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION (ANNUALLY (RECURRENT) - was passed at</u>	- 337,844:
<u>HEAD III - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION (DEVELOPMENT) - was passed at</u>	- 7,842,600:

ADJOURNMENT

At 5.50 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the Meeting to 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 12th of January, 1960.

Confirmed this 11th day of January, 1960.

JOHN EDGER
Chairman,
Finance Committee.

DAVID ILLWYN V. VILKITE
Assistant Clerk of the Legislature,
Clerk to the Committee.

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AT 2.00 P.M.
on
TUESDAY, 12TH JANUARY, 1960.

PRESENT:

Hon. Financial Secretary, Mr. F.W. Essex, C.M.G. - Chairman.
Hon. Minister of Trade and Industry - Dr. C.B. Jagan.
Hon. Minister of Natural Resources - Mr. B.H. Benn.
Hon. Minister of Labour, Health and Housing - Mrs. Janet Jagan.
Hon. Minister of Communications and Works - Mr. Ram Karran.
Hon. Minister of Community Development and Education - Mr. B.S. Rai.
Mr. Ajodha Singh.
Mr. W.O.R. Kendall
Mr. S. Campbell
Mr. A.L. Jackson
Mr. Jai Narine Singh
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. G.W. Williams, Assistant Secretary, Finance Secretariat.

Absent:

Mr. S.M. Saffee
Mr. L.F.S. Burnham
Mr. E.B. Beharry
Mr. F. Bowman
Mr. R.B. Gajraj

AGENDA

1. Consideration of the Draft Estimates for 1960, Recurrent and Development.

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

<u>HEADS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
13. Essequibo Boys' School ... passed as printed ..	\$111,954:-
14. Finance Secretariat ... passed as printed ..	\$ 57,535:-
14A. Finance - Statistical Bureau. passed as printed ..	\$ 24,711:-
15. Finance - Accountant General. passed as printed ..	\$141,779:-

HEADSAMOUNT

15A. Finance - Central Registry \$ 26,407:-

Mr. Jackson requested that consideration be given to the appointment of a Senior Woman Secretary for the Central Registry, Finance Department.

The Head was passed as printed at \$ 26,407:-

16. Finance - Licence Revenue .. passed as printed .. \$ 69,041:-
 17. Finance - Inland Revenue .. passed as printed .. \$153,638:-
 18. Fire Protection .. passed as printed .. \$492,645:-
 19. Forest .. passed as printed .. \$638,730:-
 20. Interior .. passed as printed .. \$209,416:-
 XVIII. Amerindian Development .. passed as printed .. \$208,800:-
 21. Labour .. passed as printed .. \$181,084:-
 22. Lands and Mines

OTHER CHARGES.

12. Purchase of Engines .. \$3,500:-

At the request of the Chairman, the above item was increased by \$1,000:- from \$3,500:- to \$4,500:-

The Head was accordingly increased by \$1,000:- and passed at \$441,400:-

23. Land Development .. passed as printed .. \$680,283:-
 IX. Lands and Mines (Development). passed as printed .. \$160,000:-
 X. Land Development (Development) passed as printed .. \$1,661,693:-
 24. Law Officers .. passed as printed .. \$125,088:-
 25. Local Government .. passed as printed .. \$334,905:-
 25A. Local Government - Social welfare -
 passed as printed .. \$105,493:-
 25B. Local Government - Probation Service -
 passed as printed .. \$ 59,032:-
 26. Magistrates .. passed as printed .. \$421,937:-
 27. Medical .. passed as printed .. \$1,266,365:-
 27A. Medical - Bacteriological .. passed as printed .. \$196,964:-
 27B. Medical - X-Ray .. passed as printed .. \$101,559:-
 27C. Medical - Hospitals and Dispensaries -
 passed as printed .. \$4,443,915:-
 VII. Health (Development) .. passed as printed .. \$306,300:-

ADJOURNMENT

At 5.50 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the meeting to 2.00 p.m. on Wednesday, the 13th of January, 1960.

Confirmed this 14th day of January, 1960.

(Sd) F. V. ESSEX
 Chairman,
 Finance Committee.

(Sd) EDWIN V. SHAPKLE
 Assistant Clerk of the Legislature,
 Clerk to the Committee.

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AT 2.00 P.M.

on

WEDNESDAY, 13TH JANUARY, 1960.

PRESENT:

Hon. Financial Secretary, Mr. F.W. Essex, C.M.G. - Chairman.
 Hon. Minister of Natural Resources - Mr. B.H. Benn.
 Hon. Minister of Labour, Health and Housing - Mrs. Janet Jagan.
 Hon. Minister of Communications and Works - Mr. Ram Karran.
 Hon. Minister of Community Development and Education - Mr. B.S. Rai.
 Mr. Ajodha Singh
 Mr. W.O.R. Kendall
 Mr. S. Campbell
 Mr. A.L. Jackson
 Mr. Jai Narine Singh
 Mr. R.C. Tello
 Mr. R.E. Davis
 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:

Hon. Minister of Trade and Industry - Dr. C.B. Jagan.
 Mr. S.M. Saffee
 Mr. L.F.S. Burnham
 Mr. E.B. Beharry
 Mr. F. Bowman
 Mr. R.B. Gajraj
 Mr. A.M. Fredericks

Mr. E.E. Cassells, Director of Posts and Telecommunications, was present during consideration of Head 38 - Post Office, Head 39 - Post Office - Telecommunications and Electrical Inspectors' Branch, and Head XI - Post Office (Development).

AGENDA

1. Consideration of the Draft Estimates for 1960, Recurrent and Development.

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

<u>HEADS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
28. Ministry of Communications and Works
.. passed as printed ..	\$48,570:-
29. Ministry of Labour, Health and Housing
.. passed as printed ..	\$41,897:-

<u>HEADS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
30. Ministry of Natural Resources .. passed as printed ..	\$ 55,312:-
31. Ministry of Trade and Industry .. passed as printed ..	\$ 106,834:-
32. Miscellaneous	
Subhead 8. Expenses of Commissions and Committees ..	\$20,000:-
<p>Mr. Jackson requested that Members of the Legislative Council be informed of the present position regarding the recommendations of the Gorsuch Report.</p>	
Subhead 48. Population Census and Revision of Electoral Rolls ..	\$140,000:-
<p>At the request of the <u>Chairman</u>, the words "and Revision of Electoral Rolls" were <u>deleted</u>.</p>	
The Head was passed as printed at ..	\$2,043,108:-
33. Miscellaneous - Subventions, etc. - Municipal .. passed as printed ..	\$ 423,225:-
34. Miscellaneous - Subventions, etc. - Other than Municipal .. passed as printed ..	\$1,323,145:-
35. Official Receiver .. passed as printed ..	\$ 33,502:-
36. Pensions and Gratuities .. passed as printed ..	\$2,118,073:-
37. Police .. passed as printed ..	\$3,482,473:-
42. Public Debt .. passed as printed ..	\$6,133,400:-
43. Public Service Commission .. passed as printed ..	\$ 38,572:-
38. Post Office .. passed as printed ..	\$1,331,457:-
39. Post Office - Telecommunications and Electrical Inspectors' Branch .. passed as printed ..	\$ 931,713:-
40. Post Office - Savings Bank .. passed as printed ..	\$ 60,431:-
XI. Post Office (Development) .. passed as printed ..	\$ 650,000:-
41. Prisons .. passed as printed ..	\$ 496,276:-
44. Public Works Department .. passed as printed ..	\$1,213,083:-
44A. Public Works and Sea Defences Annually Recurrent .. passed as printed ..	\$3,601,350:-
45. Registration, Births, etc. .. passed as printed ..	\$ 64,417:-
45A. Registration, Births, Etc. - Immigration Department .. passed as printed ..	\$ 28,670:-
46. Social Assistance	
EXTRAORDINARY	
19. Purchase of Equipment ..	\$1,500:-
<p>At the request of the <u>Chairman</u>, the above item was <u>increased by \$4,000:-</u> from \$1,500:- to \$5,500:-</p>	
The Head was accordingly <u>increased by \$4,000:-</u> and passed at	\$1,860,426:-

ADJOURNMENT

At 6.00 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the meeting to 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, the 14th of January, 1960.

Confirmed this *14th* day of January, 1960.

(R.S.) F.W. EPPER
Chairman,
Finance Committee.

(R.S.) ELWYN V. HARRIS
Assistant Clerk of the Legislature,
Clerk to the Committee.

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AT 2.00 P.M.

on

THURSDAY, 14TH JANUARY, 1960.

PRESENT:

- Hon. Financial Secretary, Mr. F.W. Essex, C.M.G. - Chairman.
- Hon. Minister of Trade and Industry - Dr. C.B. Jagan.
- Hon. Minister of Natural Resources - Mr. B.H. Benn.
- Hon. Minister of Labour, Health and Housing - Mrs. Janet Jagan.
- Hon. Minister of Communications and Works - Mr. Ram Karran.
- Hon. Minister of Community Development and Education - Mr. B.S. Rai.
- Mr. S.M. Saffee
- Mr. S. Campbell
- Mr. A.L. Jackson
- Mr. Jai Narine Singh
- Mr. R.B. Gajraj
- Mr. R.C. Tello
- Mr. A.M. Fredericks
- Mr. H.J.M. Hubbard

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. Ajodha Singh
- Mr. W.O.R. Kendall
- Mr. L.F.S. Burnham
- Mr. E.B. Beharry
- Mr. F. Bowman
- Mr. R.E. Davis
- Mr. A.G. Tasker, O.B.E.

AGENDA

1. Consideration of the Draft Estimates for 1960, Recurrent and Development.

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

<u>HEADS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
47. Supreme Court and Deeds Registry - passed as printed	.. \$ 394,651:-
48. Transport and Harbours-passed as printed	.. \$1,800,000:-
49. Volunteer Force .. passed as printed	.. \$ 114,168:-
50. Loans from Public Funds .. passed as printed	.. \$ 245,000:-

<u>HEADS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
51. Commodity Control .. passed as printed ..	\$ 96,581:-
52. Public Works - Non-Recurrent ..	\$ 300,000:-

The Chairman informed Members that details would be supplied later. He intimated, however, that the figure, \$300,000:- would have to be increased as revotes would total more than this.

Committee agreed that in the meanwhile the Head be passed at \$300,000:- to cover revotes.

V. Finance (Development) .. passed as printed..	\$1,500,000:-
VI. Geological Surveys (Development) .. passed as printed..	\$ 503,019:-
VIII. Housing (Development) .. passed as printed..	\$1,239,711:-
XIII. Transport and Harbours (Development).. passed as printed ..	\$2,019,688:-
XIV. Miscellaneous (Development).. passed as printed ..	\$ 120,787:-
XV. Rural Self Help (Development).. passed as printed ..	\$ 150,000:-
XVI. Social Welfare (Development) .. passed as printed ..	\$ 170,000:-
XII. Public Works (Development)	

Subhead 5. Sea and River Defences.

East Demerara.

13. Works, Nabaclis/Strathspey.

At the request of the Chairman, the above item was amended to read:

"13. Works, Nabaclis/Annandale".

The Head was passed at .. \$4,930,000:-

XVII. Local Government (Development) .. passed as printed ..	\$ 120,000:-
XIX. Tourism (Development).. passed as printed ..	\$ 45,000:-

2. Confirmation of Minutes.

The Minutes of the Meetings of the Committee held on the 4th and 29th of December, 1959, and the 11th, 12th and 13th of January, 1960, were confirmed.

3. Consideration of the 1960 Draft Estimates completed.

The Chairman informed Members that they had completed consideration of the 1960 Draft Estimates, both Recurrent and Development and he thanked them for their co-operation and the expeditious manner in which they had dealt with them.

3.

There being no further business, the Meeting terminated at 3.30 p.m.

Confirmed this 16th day of January, 1960.

(Rd) F. W. EDDER.
Chairman,
Finance Committee.

(Rd) EDWIN V. VAPPEE.
Assistant Clerk of the Legislature,
Clerk to the Committee.