

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.

on

FRIDAY, 23RD 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.
Mr. F. Bowman
Mr. S.M. Saffee
Mr. Ajodha Singh
Mr. W.O.R. Kendall
Mr. S. Campbell
Mr. A.L. Jackson
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 (Ag.), Finance Secretariat.

Absent:

Mr. B.S. Rai
Mr. L.F.S. Burnham
Mr. Jai Narine Singh
Mr. R.B. Gajraj

AGENDA

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

Mr. R. Smeathers, Conservator of Forests, was present during consideration of HEAD 19 - FOREST and HEAD VI - FOREST (DEVELOPMENT).

Mr. T.C. Stibbs, Commissioner of Lands and Mines, was present during consideration of HEAD 22 - LANDS AND MINES and HEAD X - LANDS AND MINES (DEVELOPMENT).

Dr. R.B. McConnell, Director of Geological Surveys, was present during consideration of HEAD VII - GEOLOGICAL SURVEYS, (DEVELOPMENT).

Mr. W.A. Macnie, C.M.G., O.B.E., was present during consideration of HEAD 23 - LAND DEVELOPMENT and HEAD XI - LAND DEVELOPMENT (DEVELOPMENT)

HEAD 19 - FOREST - passed as printed - \$598,337

HEAD VI - FORESTS (DEVELOPMENT)

Subhead 4. Improvement of Silvicultural Timber Stands and Plantations.

At the request of the Government, the above subhead was amended to read "Silviculture".

<u>HEAD</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>VI - FORESTS (DEVELOPMENT)</u> - passed as printed	- \$ 174,445
<u>22 - LANDS AND MINES</u> - passed as printed	- 390,543
<u>X - LANDS AND MINES (DEVELOPMENT)</u> - passed as printed	- . 22,000
<u>43 - PUBLIC DEBT</u> - passed as printed	4,747,137
<u>VII - GEOLOGICAL SURVEYS (DEVELOPMENT)</u> - passed as printed	- 496,385

HEAD 23 - LAND DEVELOPMENT

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

10. Cane Grove - La Bonne Mère Land Development Scheme\$95,600:-

The Minister of Natural Resources recommended that the above subhead be increased by \$7,000 (i.e., from \$95,600 to \$102,600).

Total - Miscellaneous Services - was accordingly increased by \$7,000 and passed at \$569,210:-

HEAD 23 - LAND DEVELOPMENT - was increased by \$7,000:- and passed at \$705,547:-

HEAD XI - LAND DEVELOPMENT (DEVELOPMENT) - passed as printed - \$999,227:-

Adjournment.

At 4.30 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the Meeting to 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 27th of January, 1959.

Confirmed this day of , 1959.

Chairman,
Finance Committee.

Assistant Clerk of the Legislature,
Clerk to the Committee.