

EXPENDITURE.

Head of Expenditure.	1934-35.	1935-36.
	£	£
I. Permanent charges on public debt ..	9,800	9,727
II. Administrator and Government House ..	2,880	2,485
III. Education	4,910	4,877
IV. Health	13,937	17,797
V. Justice, Labour, and Public Trust ..	3,071	2,554
VI. Lands and Survey	1,047	1,095
VII. Native	5,385	5,539
VIII. Police and Prisons	8,784	8,380
IX. Postal and Radio	4,779	5,395
X. Public Works	9,111	20,222
XI. Secretariat	6,581	9,672
XII. Treasury, Customs, &c.	7,078	13,983
	77,363	101,726
Less Public Trust and Labour Departments recovered	858	990
	£76,505	£100,736

(a) Increase in Section IV, Health, of £3,860 is mainly due to greater expenditure under the following items: Salaries, £1,159; instruments, drugs, and stores, £1,874; maintenance and transport of lepers, £402; rations, £260.

(b) Section IX, Postal and Radio, increased by £616; the principal items under which additional expenditure was made were—Salaries, £114; interest to depositors savings-bank, £250; payment to New Zealand Post and Telegraph Department for services, £56; cost of new stamp-issue, other than printing, £131.

(c) Total increase under Section X, Public Works, is £11,111, the principal items showing additional expenditure being the following:—

	£
Salaries	130
Maintenance of buildings	1,950
Maintenance of roads	356
Maintenance of sea walls	272
Purchase of stores	6,160
Workshops running-expenses	275
Repair of storm damage	2,009
New buildings	667
New bridges	2,545
Plant and motor-vehicles	558
Roads (new work)	941
Sea walls (new work)	372
Hydro-electric standby plant	1,204
	17,439
Less additional credits-in-aid	6,568
	£10,871

(d) Section XI, Secretariat, increase £3,091, is due to payment of some £4,000 on account of land-purchases, offset by the expenditure of some £674 during last year on the visit of the Duke of Gloucester.

(e) An increase of £6,905 in section Treasury and Customs is substantially accounted for by the following expenditures in excess of the previous year:—

	£
Salaries	518
Insurance premiums	261
Cost of printing stamps	1,411
Refunds of taxes and license-fees	171
New water barge	378
New engine for "Pilot" launch	530
Assets replacement reserve	4,000
	7,269
Less decrease in expenditure on new launch built in 1934-35 ..	448
	£6,821

N.B.—Insurance premiums were formerly collected from Departments, but it is considered that the adjustment does not warrant the work entailed.