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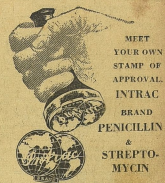
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**7-Crore Open Market Loan Planned**  
**16.5 CRORES FROM THE CENTRE**

MADRAS, Feb. 26. The Budget Estimate for 1955-56 presented in the Assembly today provides for a loan of Rs. 16.5 crores from the Government of India for the year 1955-56.

A sum of Rs. 9.5 crores is provided for repayment towards loans previously raised from the Government of India (Rs. 2.67 crores) and loans raised in the open market (Rs. 1.27 crores) towards their payment. Rs. 48 lakhs will be recovered from the Government of Andhra and Mysore.

**Capital Outlay**  
The total estimated expenditure on capital outlay (excluding State trading schemes) during 1954-55 is Rs. 20.4 crores. The 1955-56 estimate provides Rs. 7.46 crores for irrigation, Rs. 1.24 crores for transport, Rs. 1.24 crores for electricity schemes (including Rs. 1.24 crores for transmission lines and distribution), Rs. 1.04 crores for civil works (including Rs. 1.04 crores for industrial development), Rs. 1.18 lakhs for State Road Transport (mainly for purchase of new buses), and Rs. 2.32 lakhs for advance compensation and interim payments to landowners.

The provision for irrigation works includes Rs. 2.25 crores for the Special Minor Irrigation Programme, including tank improvements.

**Revenue & Expenditure**  
The Budget Estimate provides for an increase of Rs. 1.25 crores in revenue on account of Rs. 1.25 crores in expenditure. The 1955-56 estimate provides for an increase of Rs. 1.25 crores in revenue on account of Rs. 1.25 crores in expenditure. The 1955-56 estimate provides for an increase of Rs. 1.25 crores in revenue on account of Rs. 1.25 crores in expenditure.

**Consensus Party to Discuss on Feb. 28**  
The General Body of the Madras Legislative Congress Party will meet at Rajaji Hall, Mount Road, on Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. to discuss the Budget proposal for the ensuing year presented to the House today.

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**Sales Tax on Levy on Cheap Tobacco Cigarettes**

**115-LAKH FREE TAX PROPOSALS**

**S. T. EXEMPTION FOR CO-OP. PRODUCTS, PERISHABLES**

**Subramaniam Presents 3-Crore Deficit Budget**

MADRAS, Feb. 26. A flat surcharge of two annas in the rupee on Land Revenue on all lands, wet, dry and garden, and on all water rates, is proposed in the budget for 1955-56, presented to the Madras Assembly today by Mr. C. Subramaniam, Finance Minister.

**PRESENTING A deficit budget of Rs. 331 lakhs, the Finance Minister also proposed levy of general sales tax on tobacco and its derivatives, excepting superior manufactured tobacco (which is already subject to a higher tax) and a five per cent tax on turnover at a single point on cigarettes costing less than 3 pies each.**

The Minister also announced tax relief, costing about Rs. 19 lakhs, in the form of exemption from sales tax to: (a) onions, potatoes, beet leaves and plantain leaves, (b) palm grove produced by co-operative societies, and (c) products of Cottage Industrial Co-operative Societies, like carpets, pots, stone ware, brassware, toys, etc.

These taxation proposals are expected to bring in a net revenue of Rs. 115 lakhs. Along with the Rs. 50 lakhs expected from the already approved new taxation measures, Agricultural Income-tax on Plantations, betterment levy, and revision of court fees—the deficit is expected to be narrowed down to Rs. 166 lakhs.

The Minister said it was proposed to leave this deficit uncovered, "in the hope that some further measure of assistance is in store for us in the Central Budget."

The Budget estimates for 1955-56 anticipated revenue of Rs. 46.25 lakhs (on existing taxation) and an expenditure of Rs. 49.56 lakhs, leaving a deficit of Rs. 331 lakhs.

The revised estimates for 1954-55 show a revenue of Rs. 45.19 lakhs and an expenditure of Rs. 47.58 lakhs, leaving a much larger revenue deficit of Rs. 2,39 lakhs.

**(TEXT OF BUDGET SPEECH: P. 4)**  
The Finance Minister announced that the expected total of Rs. 75 lakhs from the additional levy on land will be given to local bodies as an outright grant, as an interim relief to meet their pressing needs, reserved for roads works alone. The Government hope that the local bodies will be able to meet the deficit of this allocation. Rs. 25 lakhs will be provided for the improvement of communications.

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**T. B. PATIENT WINS Rs. 1,50,000**  
A patient in Ward No. 4 in the Government Tuberculosis Sanatorium, Tambaram, received a telegram today informing him that he had won Rs. 1,50,000 in a lottery.

He is Mr. V. Krishnaswami Nair, 35-year-old police station operator.

Mr. Nair, who comes from Kanchipuram, Ottumalai, South Madras, was working at the Kanchipuram Police Station when he was admitted to the Sanatorium. He is married and has two small sons, Ramakrishnan and Chandrasekhar, who live with their mother at Ottumalai.

He sent Rs. 5 as a vote for four Squares, D-38. Of his 38 entries, his 17th entry was successful. He was the only competitor to send in an all-correct entry. The winning ticket was drawn on Feb. 26.

With the sum of Rs. 1,50,000 at his disposal he should be able to obtain the property there mentioned and go to Switzerland, if necessary, for convalescence.

**Budget At A Glance**  
A. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ON REVENUE ACCOUNT.

(FIGURES IN LAKHS OF RUPEES)

	1954-55	1955-56	1954-55	1955-56
(1) Revenue	23,91.97	44,99.83	45,18.72	46,27.07
(2) Expenditure	23,91.97	44,99.83	45,18.72	46,27.07
(3) Deficit	—	—	—	—

**B. TRANSACTIONS UNDER THE REVENUE ACCOUNT.**

(1) Receipts—				
(a) Open market loans—	—	13.84	—	3.22
(b) Loans from the Govt. of India—	—	10,83.00	7,87.00	13,81.19
(c) Deposits, etc., transactions in reserves (net)	3,32.92	1,78.97	1,12.92	2,03.93
Total Receipts	3,32.92	12,64.97	9,12.92	22,13.92
(2) Disbursements—				
(a) Capital expenditure including State Trading schemes—	7,79.14	11,94.12	8,08.68	20,08.38
(b) Loans to local bodies, etc.—net	4,23.15	1,35.06	2,01.83	3,25.91
Total Disbursements	12,02.29	13,29.18	10,10.51	23,34.29
(3) Receipts minus Disbursements	—	—	—	—

**C. BALANCES.**

(1) Opening Balance	6,21.46	1,89.20	7,14.45	3,27.12
(2) Closing Balance	7,14.45	58.05	3,67.22	58.00

**DEVELOPMENT BUDGET**  
**DEFICIT FINANCING WILL CONTINUE**

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26. This report and recommendations of the Taxation Enquiry Commission will be published on Monday. The report and recommendations are believed to be the most realistic effect to all the recommendations of the Commission in the budget, and time will be needed to consider the implications of the new structure of taxation and therefore, the Government will not be able to partly implement them.

The Finance Minister may attempt to balance the budget, which he has been leaving uncovered for the last three years. The revised revenue deficit for the year 1954-55 was Rs. 2,39 lakhs and for the year 1955-56 it was estimated at Rs. 1,62 crores.

It is presumed that the policy of deficit financing may be continued, particularly in regard to development. The Government will be unable to introduce any new measures which will be financed by the Government.

It is taken for granted that there will be no increase in direct taxation and it is expected that the rates of income-tax and corporation tax may not be increased. This is indicated by the fact that, so far, the Finance Minister has not given any notice to introduce any amendments to the Indian Income-tax Act.

He has, however, indicated that he will continue the Finance Bill for the next year, although the Finance Bill itself will contain the rates of income-tax and corporation tax.

The unpopularity of the Finance Minister's taxation proposals will, it is believed, relate mostly to changes in the rates of income-tax and corporation tax. These sources of revenue, however, will be the mainstay of the taxation proposals.

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**Free Education For The Poor Up To III Form**

MADRAS, Feb. 26. All poor children in the State, without any distinction of caste, creed or community, will get free education up to the middle school stage—Form III—from next school year.

A STUDENT will be considered poor if his parent or guardian derives an annual income of less than Rs. 1,200.

This was announced by Mr. C. Subramaniam, Finance Minister, in his budget speech in the Legislature today.

To ensure free education in all elementary schools, Government have decided to compensate mothers of aided elementary schools which are charging school fees, the Minister said.

These concessions are expected to cost the Government about Rs. 50 lakhs.

Stenographers will be permitted to draw their special allowance during the leave period also.

**Sulphide Ores Found In Mysore Village**

BANGALORE, Feb. 26. EXTENSIVE deposits of sulphide ores to the extent of about one and half million tons have recently been discovered in Ingaldial village, five miles to the east of Chitaldrug District in Mysore State, it was disclosed here today.

Mr. H. Hanumanthiah, Chief Minister, and the Legislative Council today said this find was of great importance not only to the State but to the whole of India as India imported the bulk of its requirements of sulphur. It was, therefore, necessary to find out ways and means of rapidly utilizing the sulphide ores.

The Government are expected to start the work of mining the sulphide ores in the near future.

A third batch of 150 African families were removed from the Government of India today on Thursday from Sophian in the Government of India. The families were removed from the Government of India today on Thursday from Sophian in the Government of India.

**A TIP TO SMART SMOKERS**  
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