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Annual Public Library Finance.

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Works out the annual library finance for the Constituent States and for the Union Government, by the Method of Details. Estimates the total annual library finance, when the Public Library System is in full steam, to be about Rs 226 crores.

1 Method of Estimation

In Sec 62 of Paper N in this issue, it has been pointed out that the total annual library finance for India can be arrived at by three methods—Per Capita Method, Method of Details, and Method of Proportion. In a country in which the percentage of literacy is uniform in the Constituent States, the library-consciousness is high, and the tax pattern and budget of the Union Government and of the Constituent States stabilised, all the three methods would give the same result. But, taking into account the developing economy of India and the fact that library-consciousness has not spread to all parts of the country and that the literacy percentage is uneven in different parts of the country, the Method of Details is the more reliable and practical method for our purpose. In this method, we take into account the ultimate amount that should be credited each year to the Library Fund of each Local Library Authority, of each of the Constituent States, and the Union Library Fund. The cost of establishment of the Public Library System of India, as it would be when the library movement is in full swing, is worked out in the succeeding sections.

2 Expenditure on Salaries and Reading Materials

Efficient library service requires adequate provision of reading materials and the personnel to prepare and serve them, and to

administer the libraries. Experience shows that, to ensure this, the expenditure on a library should be equally divided between the cost on establishment on the one side and the rest of the cost—cost of reading materials, binding, and other administrative expenses—on the other.

3 Categories of Staff and Scale of Pay

The categories of staff and their scales of pay are taken to be as follows:

Note.—

BL = Branch Library CCL = City Central Library
 NCL = National Central Library RCL = Rural Central Library
 SCL = State Central Library

SN	Category	Scale of Pay in Rs	Applicable to
1	2	3	4
1	Class A ..	2,000-100-3,000	Librarian of NCL
2	Class B ..	1,600-100-1,900	Deputy Librarian of NCL
3	Class C ..	1,300-60-1,600	Assistant Librarian of NCL State Librarian
4	Class D ..	1,100-50-1,500	Head of Section of NCL Head of Contact Library Head of Seafarers' Library Deputy Librarian SCL
5	Class E (Senior Professional)	700-50-1,250	Inspector Librarian of CCL Reference Librarian of SCL Head of Section of SCL
6	Class F (Junior Professional)	400-40-800-50-950	Librarian of RCL Professional in Technical Section of SCL Reference Librarian in CCL Deputy Librarian of CCL Deputy Librarian of RCL Reference Librarian of RCL Librarian of BL
7	Class G (Semi-professional)	220-10-290-15-320- EB-15-425-15-530	Travelling Librarian Junior posts in the circulation, maintenance, and periodicals section
8	Class H ..	180-10-290-15-320- EB-15-425	Clerical
9	Class J ..	110-3-131-4-155-EB- 4-175-5-180	Artisan = Driver, Printer, Binder
10	Class K ..	80-1-85-2-95-EB-3- 128	Unskilled

4 Estimate for the Constituent States

The number of different categories of staff required to run the Library System of India is given in Table 1 of Sec 71 of Paper U. Based on the scale of pay given in the previous section, the ultimate annual average cost of the Public Library System in the Constituent States and Delhi is given in Table 1 Sec 71. The estimate does not include allowances such as Dearness Allowance which varies from State to State and from time to time.

5 Estimate for the Union Government

The annual expenditure on the National Central Library is to be borne by the Union Government. The different categories of personnel required for the National Central Library is given in Table 1 in Sec 71 of Paper U. The method of estimating the annual expenditure on the National Central Library is similar to that of the annual average cost of the Public Library System in the Constituent States—that is, to the staff salary an equal amount is added for the cost of reading materials, binding, and other administrative expenses. The annual expenditure on the National Central Library is given in Table 3 in Sec 73. The estimate does not include allowances such as Dearness Allowance which may vary from time to time.

Total Finance

The estimated total annual library finance for India works out to be Rs 226 crores. This includes the expenditure for the Constituent States and for the Union Government.

71 TABLE 1. AVERAGE ANNUAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE 16 CONSTITUENT STATES AND DELHI TAKEN TOGETHER

Post	N of Posts	Average Annual Salary for Post in Rs	Total Salary in Rs
Professional			
Category C	.. 16	17,400	278,400
.. D	.. 354	15,600	5,522,400
.. E	.. 571	11,700	6,680,700
.. F	.. 86,200	8,100	698,220,000
.. G	.. 1,070	4,500	4,815,000
		TOTAL	.. 715,516,500
Non-professional			
Clerks	.. 18,000	3,600	64,800,000
Artisans	.. 14,000	1,700	23,800,000
Unskilled	.. 119,000	1,200	142,800,000
		TOTAL	.. 946,916,500
Add 1/11 for leave reserve	..		86,083,320
			1,032,999,820
Add 1/12 for provident fund	..		86,083,320
		TOTAL	.. 1,119,083,140
Total salary for staff in round figures (This amount should be found from State Funds)			
			.. Rs 112 Crores
Equal amount for cost of reading materials, binding and other expenses (This amount should be found from local cess)			
			.. Rs 112 Crores
Total cost of the Public Library System of the Constituent States and Delhi			
			.. Rs 224 Crores

TABLE 2. AVERAGE ANNUAL EXPENDITURE FOR EACH OF THE 16 CONSTITUENT STATES AND DELHI

SN	State	Cost of Public Library System in Thousand Rs		
		Salary	Amount for Reading Materials etc	Total
	0 India ..	112 Crore	112 Crore	224 Crore
1	Andhra Pradesh ..	140,976	140,976	281,952
2	Assam ..	29,510	29,510	59,020
3	Bihar ..	11,212	11,212	22,424
4	Gujarat ..	51,705	51,705	103,410
5	Jammu & Kashmir ..	10,837	10,837	21,674
6	Kerala ..	80,257	80,257	160,514
7	Madhya Pradesh ..	86,166	86,166	172,332
8	Madras ..	88,990	88,990	177,980
9	Maharashtra ..	149,390	149,390	298,780
10	Mysore ..	59,564	59,564	119,128
11	Nagaland ..	2,789	2,789	5,578
12	Orissa ..	46,918	46,918	93,836
13	Punjab ..	49,636	49,636	99,272
14	Rajasthan ..	53,182	53,182	106,364
15	Uttar Pradesh ..	166,637	166,637	333,274
16	West Bengal ..	84,264	84,264	168,528
17	Delhi ..	6,205	6,205	12,410

73 TABLE 3. AVERAGE ANNUAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE NATIONAL CENTRAL LIBRARY

Description	N of Posts	Average per Post	Amount in Rs
Professional			
Class A	1	30,000	30,000
Class B	2	21,000	42,000
Class C	4	17,400	69,600
Class D	147	15,600	2,293,200
Class E	147	11,700	1,719,900
Class F	101	8,100	818,100
Class G	120	4,500	540,000
TOTAL	522		5,512,800
Clerical	225	3,600	810,000
Artisan (Printer and Binder)	100	1,740	174,000
Unskilled	384	1,248	479,232
TOTAL	1,231		6,976,032
Add 1/11 for leave reserve			634,185
			7,610,217
Add 1/12 for provident fund	..		634,185
Add overseas allowance for staff of libraries overseas	..		864,000
Total in round figures for staff	..		9,100,000
Add an equal amount for reading materials, binding, etc.	..		9,100,000
		TOTAL	18,200,000