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## **List of Abbreviations**

BCGI Bauxite Company of Guyana Incorporated

CARICOM Caribbean Community

CARTAC Caribbean Regional Technical Assistance Centre

CDB Caribbean Development Bank
CDF Caribbean Development Fund

CHPA Central Housing and Planning Authority

CJIA Cheddi Jagan International Airport

CPR Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

ECLAC Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

FMAA Financial Management and Accountability Act 2003 GCRG Government of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana

GDP Gross Domestic Product

GGB Guyana Gold Board

GGMC Guyana Geology and Mines Commission
GHIS Geographic Health Information System

GMSA Guyana Manufacturing and Service Association

GNNL Guyana National Newspapers Limited

GNPL Guyana National Printers Limited

GNSC Guyana National Shipping Corporation

GPF Guyana Police Force

GPL Guyana Power and Light Incorporated

GPOC Guyana Post Office Corporation

GRA Guyana Revenue Authority

GRDB Guyana Rice Development Board

GuyOil Guyana Oil Company

GuySuCo Guyana Sugar Corporation

HIV Human Immunodeficiency Virus

IADB/IDB Inter-American Development Bank

ICC International Cricket Council

ICT Information Communication Technology
IDA International Development Association

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development

IFMIS Integrated Financial Management Information System

IMF International Monetary Fund

LED Light-Emitting Diode

MARDI Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute

MARDS Mahaica Abary Rice Development Services

NAREI National Agricultural Research and Extension Institute

NICIL National Industrial and Commercial Investments Limited

NIS National Insurance Scheme

NGSA National Grade Six Assessment

OPEC Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries

PAYE Pay as You Earn

PDVSA Petróleos de Venezuela, S.A

PEFA Public Expenditure and Financial Accountability

PEs Public Enterprises

PFM Public Financial Management

PIMA Public Investment Management Assessment

PPC Public Procurement Commission

P3 Public-Private Partnership

PSIP Public Sector Investment Programme

RAI Remote Area Incentive

STEM Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

SPU Special Purposes Unit

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural

Organisation

VAT Value-Added Tax

WEO World Economic Outlook

#### Introduction 1.

- This report is prepared pursuant to Section 67 of the Fiscal Management and 1.1 Accountability Act (FMAA) 2003 that prescribes that a Mid-Year report shall be produced in a manner and format prescribed as follows: "A Mid-Year Report shall include – (a) an update on the current macroeconomic and fiscal situation, a revised economic outlook for the remainder of the fiscal year, and a statement of the projected impact that these trends are likely to have on the annual budget for the current fiscal year; (b) a comparison report on the out-turned current and capital expenditures and revenues with the estimates originally approved by the National Assembly with explanations of any significant variances; and (c) a list of major fiscal risks for the remainder of the fiscal year, together with likely policy responses that the Government proposes to take to meet the expected circumstances."
- Budget 2018, The Journey to the Good Life Continues, was presented to 1.2 Parliament on 27th November, 2017, pursuant to Article 219 (3) of the Constitution. The related analyses and tables contained in this Mid-Year 2018 Report will address key issues captured in the Budget 2018 Speech and Estimates as presented to the National Assembly. They give, too, a revised economic outlook for 2018, in light of current developments both nationally and globally.
- 1.3 Budget 2018 is the second consecutive budget presented to the Parliament by this administration, prior to the commencement of the fiscal year. In this instance, Budget Agencies had the opportunity to reorganise their workflows and commence implementation from the start of the fiscal year. Notwithstanding, capacity and institutional challenges continue to constrain output. However, the Government is cautiously optimistic that the fiscal target will be met, even as the Government addresses growing fiscal pressures in several sectors – principally, the restructuring of the Guyana Sugar Corporation (GuySuCo), that involves substantial severance payments and expanded central government responsibility for drainage and irrigation. In the

security sector, additional outlays have become necessary to ensure the safety of populace.

Following the mid-year review engagements, efforts would be accelerated to 1.4 implement programmes aimed at promoting growth and stimulating innovation and diversification, amongst other objectives.

#### **Global Economic Development** 2.

- The global economy is expected to remain robust, in 2018, with growth projected 2.1 to increase to 3.9 percent, slightly better than in 2017. According to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), in its July 2018 update of the World Economic Outlook (WEO), the pace of expansion across countries would be uneven.
- Growth in the advanced economies is projected to remain steady, in 2018, at 2.4 2.2 percent, largely supported by favourable prospects for the US economy. The US is expected to record an expansion of 2.9 percent, for 2018, compared with 2.3 percent in the previous year, driven by a substantial fiscal stimulus, together with robust private final demand. However, the baseline rate for advanced economies is anticipated to remain unchanged, on account of a projected gradual decline in growth in the euro area, Japan and the United Kingdom.
- Emerging markets and developing economies are projected to expand at a faster 2.3 rate of 4.9 percent, 0.2 percentage points higher than the level recorded in 2017. Economic activity in these economies is anticipated to remain vigorous, with financial conditions expected to remain generally supportive of growth. More specifically, emerging Asia is projected to maintain its robust performance, unchanged from 6.5 percent, in 2017. The Chinese economy is expected to record lower growth of 6.6 percent, down from 6.9 percent, in the previous year, as regulatory tightening of the financial sector takes hold and external demand softens as a result of frontloading of exports in anticipation of punitive measures going forward.
- The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) 2.4 projects output for this area to reach 2.2 percent, in 2018, compared with 1.2 percent, in 2017. This improved position is anticipated to be supported by domestic demand, driven by private consumption, as well as continued dynamism in external demand. Moreover, the South American region shows signs of achieving growth of 2.0 percent, mainly buoyed by increased economic activity in Brazil, which is anticipated to grow by 2.2

percent, in 2018. The English and Dutch-speaking Caribbean is projected to record an average growth of 1.4 percent, in 2018, above 0.1 percent recorded for 2017.

Commodity prices strengthened, in the first quarter of 2018, when compared 2.5 with the same period in 2017, according to the World Bank's Commodity Markets Outlook, April, 2018. Price increases were buoyed by greater demand, which was driven by a broad-based global recovery. As such, international price changes for Guyana's major traded commodities were mostly positive. The world market price of rice increased markedly by 16.4 percent, to US\$432 per metric tonne, over the review period. However, the average price is projected to stabilise at US\$420, for 2018, 5.3 percent over the 2017 price. This was also the case for timber prices<sup>2</sup>, which, at the end of the first three months of 2018, rose by 5.0 percent, to US\$275 per cubic metre. Average timber prices are also expected to remain higher, in 2018, by 1.9 percent, above the US\$265 in 2017. In contrast, the international market price of sugar declined by 30.2 percent, to US\$0.30 per kilogramme, and is expected to remain at this level, for 2018, 14.3 percent lower than the average price, in 2017.

2.6 The international price of gold increased by 9.0 percent, to US\$1,329 per troy ounce, in the first quarter of 2018, when compared with the first quarter of 2017, on the basis of strong investment demand, amid rising inflation and a weakening dollar. In addition, gold prices are expected to increase by 3.3 percent above the 2017 price, to US\$1,300 per troy ounce. Over the first quarter of 2018, aluminum prices increased by 16.4 percent, to US\$2,154 per metric tonne, due to reforms in China that are aimed at reducing pollution from smelters. Prices are expected to rise further, by 10.5 percent, to US\$2,175 per metric tonne, over 2017, due to the imposition of US import tariffs on aluminum. Prices for oil, using price of Brent crude oil, increased by 23.8 percent, to US\$67 per barrel, when compared with the first quarter of 2017, driven by strong demand, compliance by OPEC and non-OPEC producers and geopolitical concerns. The

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Quarter on quarter analysis is facilitated by the World Bank Commodity Markets Outlook which is published in April; a Pink sheet, which provides only raw data, was published by the Bank, in June, and outlines commodity prices as at May, 2018, as follows: Rice - US\$451; Timber - US\$271; Gold -US\$1,303; Aluminum - US\$2,300; Oil - US\$73.4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Represented by price for Logs, S.E. Asia, as per the World Bank Commodity Markets Outlook.

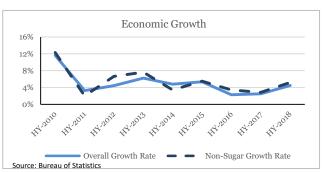
price forecast for this commodity, for 2018, is anticipated to be 23.1 percent above that of 2017, reaching US\$65 per barrel.

Global risks, such as rising commodity prices, climate change and turbulent 2.7 international trade relationships, pose a threat to the health and progress of the Guyanese economy. Specifically, the issue of climate change, which brings with it unpredictable weather patterns, has the ability to adversely affect the agriculture and mining and quarrying sectors, and, consequently, restrict production. On the other hand, while commodity prices are expected to strengthen, in 2018, this will have mixed effects. On the positive side, rising prices offer favourable prospects for the exporting sectors - gold, rice, timber and aluminum. However, the increased importation of intermediate goods, especially fuel and lubricants, and consumption goods, could likely offset the gains from export earnings. This could put a strain on Guyana's international reserves, reinforcing the urgency with which economic diversification and resiliencestrengthening must take place.

#### **Domestic Development** 3.

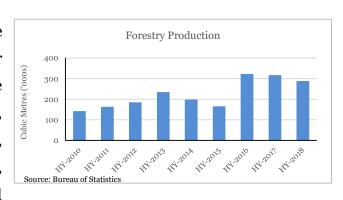
## A. Real Sector<sup>3</sup>

Guyana's economy is estimated to 3.1 have grown by 4.5 percent, comparing favourably with the revised growth rate of 2.5 percent for the first half of 2017. Correspondingly, the non-sugar growth rate is estimated to have climbed to 5.1



percent from a revised 2.8 percent. Preliminary data indicates that this growth, for the first half of 2018, was more broad-based than the previous year, with robust performances in agriculture, fishing and forestry, of 3.4 percent; services, of 8.2 percent; and construction, of 13.4 percent. The significant increase in the construction sector was evidenced by higher building imports by 24.7 percent, supported by the increased pace of execution of the Public Sector Investment Programme (PSIP), which rose by 3.9 percentage points above the previous half year. Private sector investments also improved, with, for example, real estate mortgages rising by 5.0 percent at the end of the review period, compared to 4.1 percent at the previous half year.

In the first half of 2018, the 3.2 agriculture, fishing and forestry sector grew by an estimated 3.4 percent, despite the sugar and rice industries contracting, 30.6 percent and 3.8 percent, respectively. The other crops, fishing, livestock and forestry industries all



experienced growth over the same period, with the latter two growing by a commendable 29.1 percent and 18.1 percent, respectively. The expansion in the forestry

<sup>3</sup> All comparisons and growth rates referred to in this section are between the first half of 2017 and the first half of 2018.

industry was driven by the production of logs and roundwood, which increased by 24.8 percent and 46.6 percent, respectively. This favourable outturn was largely due to increased demand from China, India and the US, which saw exports in the first quarter of 2018 increasing by 17.1 percent; by the end of the first half the increase was 7.9 percent. Producers also expanded their output in response to local demand from both the private and public sectors. This was partly attributed to Government's successful effort in lobbying for a hike in the CARICOM common external tariff on imported pine lumber, which has allowed additional market share for local lumber yards. Growth in the forestry industry was also buoyed by higher plywood production, which grew by a significant 73.4 percent, with the main producer signaling the intention to maintain production above 1,000 cubic metres per month. The forestry industry is expected to continue its expansion into the second half and remains on track to at least meet its growth expectation of 8.0 percent, for 2018. However, a cautionary note: the prolonged rainy season has resulted in a significant deterioration of hinterland roads and poses a risk to production. Recognising this, the Government has intervened to implement emergency maintenance works.

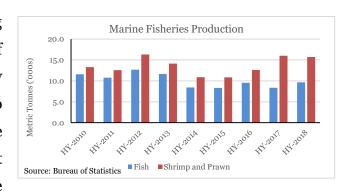
The efforts of the National Agriculture Research and Extension Institute 3.3 (NAREI), to advance the diversification of crop production, continue to be a success, with the other crops sector reporting growth of 0.8 percent, in the first half of 2018. The overall level of production (as reported by NAREI) increased by 5.2 percent over the same period. This expansion was largely driven by an increase in the production of fruits, vegetables, citrus, and spices and seasoning, all of which recorded notable growth

over the review period. The production of fruits, which recorded the strongest growth, was buoyed by remarkable growth in watermelon, passion fruit, pineapple, cashew, and "other fruits", which increased by 35.0 percent, 61.7 percent, 7.0 percent, 76.1 percent and 2.8 respectively. Within percent, the

Other Crops Production						
	HY 2018	HY 2017	Percent change			
Cereals and legumes	6,961.8	6,891.0	1.0			
Oil Seeds	32,215.1	37,463.3	-14.01			
Ground Provision	81,779.8	85,253.6	-4.1			
Vegetables	129,946.6	119,987.3	8.3			
Spices & Seasoning	43,707.5	39,955.2	9.4			
Citrus	14,888.5	9,625.7	54.7			
Fruits	104.595.4	94,550.2	10.6			
Other	1,658.6	1,441.9	15.0			
Total	415,753.4	395,168.2	5.2			
Note: Production is measured in metric tonnes.						
Source: Bureau of Statistics						

vegetables subcategory, the production of tomatoes and pumpkin increased substantially, by 22.5 percent and 14.5 percent, respectively, driving the overall expansion in this group. Moreover, growth in these crops was significant enough to offset a decline in the production of oil seeds and ground provisions. Additionally, lending for other farming rose to 11.0 percent, comfortably above the level recorded at the end of June, 2017. The prospect for the other crops sector, for the rest of the year, remains positive, with strong signals coming from export markets, where the volume of fruit and vegetable exports rose by 28 percent percent, to 9,417.2 tonnes, at the end of June, 2018. The expectation is that this sector will grow by 2.3 percent, for 2018, as originally projected.

The performance of the fishing 3.4 industry was mixed, in the first half of 2018. While the overall industry grew by 5.6 percent, the production of shrimp tuna aquaculture and and from contracted by 2.0 percent, 61.5 percent and 22.4 percent, respectively. The

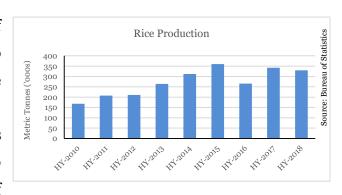


reduction in total shrimp production was due to declining seabob shrimp output, resulting from an influx of sargassum weed, which create difficult conditions for fishing. Additionally, exporter preference for larger-sized seabob shrimp has contributed to the downturn. Tuna production experienced a sharp decrease, as fewer vessels were dedicated to this activity, while the main market operator continued to undertake capacity building. Aquaculture production was stymied by the need for restructuring of a large 30-pond facility, in Region 2, which recently changed ownership. On the other hand, total finfish production grew by 15.3 percent, despite a ban on catfish species from Guyana. This ban, which became effective on March 1, 2018, was instituted by the United States Department of Agriculture, as a result of a lack of compliance with new US requirements. However, in order to become compliant, Government has implemented several measures including: tendering for the supply of a monitoring vessel; and gazetting new regulations, under the Fisheries Act, to improve compliance with

requirements for vessel monitoring systems and by-catch reduction devices. These setbacks notwithstanding, overall production within the fishing industry is expected to exceed expectations, with growth anticipated to climb to 3.0 percent, for the year, above the projected 2.3 percent at the time of presentation of the 2018 Budget.

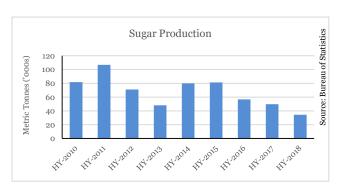
The livestock industry recorded robust growth of 29.1 percent, due, in part, to 3.5 improvements in practices used in poultry production. While the increase in poultry production drove the expansion in livestock production, there was also notable growth in beef, pork and mutton production, of 8.3 percent, 23.7 percent and 8.8 percent, respectively, which is largely a reflection of the introduction of improved breeds, in earlier years. Overall, these increases were more than enough to offset a decline in table eggs and milk production, of 11.3 percent and 7.8 percent, respectively. Growth in the livestock industry is expected to continue into the second half of 2018, on the evidence that credit to the industry expanded by 54.8 percent, in the first half of the year. The revised outlook, for 2018, for this industry, is estimated to be 18.5 percentage points above the rate projected at the time of the 2018 Budget.

Notwithstanding a contraction of 3.6 3.8 percent, in the rice industry, to tonnes, there were some 329,504 promising signs, in the first half of 2018, with industry yields rising to 5.9 tonnes per hectare. Yields are expected to improve further, in the second half of

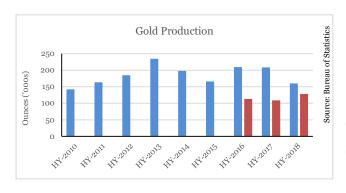


2018, in light of the release of a higher yielding variety – GRDB 15 – by the Guyana Rice Development Board (GRDB), in April, 2018. Farmers planting this strain can expect to harvest as many as 8 tonnes per hectare, if recommended practices are adhered to. In light of this, production from the second crop is expected to be in excess of 300,000 tonnes of rice. By the end of June, approximately 69,000 hectares of rice were sown, compared with 74,562 hectares, at the end of the first half of 2017. This decline was largely due to a prolonged rainy season. Nevertheless, it is expected that a total of 88,600 hectares will be planted for the second crop, an increase of 7.8 percent, over the previous year. This expectation is supported by a 63.3 percent increase in lending for rice cultivation, at the end of the first half of 2018, when compared with the same period in 2017. The rainy season also resulted in a significant loss of crops, with at least 595 hectares destroyed and a further 1,055 hectares unable to be harvested because of impassable dams in some parts of Regions 5 and 6. Notwithstanding, the rice industry is anticipated to maintain positive growth, for 2018, at approximately 1.7 percent, though below the originally projected 2.5 percent.

The planned divestment of the 3.7 Enmore, Rose Hall and Skeldon estates continued, with the auditing of the assets of these estates near completed as at the end of June, 2018. As a result of the closure of these estates, sugar production, in the first half of 2018 was



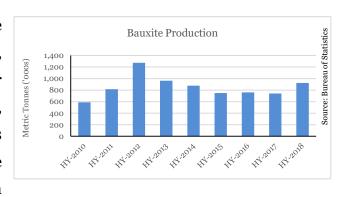
via a restructure GuySuCo utilising the Albion, Blairmont and Uitvlugt estates. At the end of this period, production of the first crop reached 34,451 tonnes, 4.6 percent below the forecast and 30.6 percent below the first crop of 2017. The shortfall was due to factors in both field and factory. The company was unable to achieve the tillage and planting programmes for the first crop, partially due to delays in the procurement of spare parts and fertilisers and poorly maintained infrastructure. Issues at the time of harvest, such as poor attendance by workers and adverse weather, resulted in an inadequate supply of canes, which led to the frequent stoppage of grinding. These challenges have been responsible for a downward revision of 15.7 percent in the projection of the output for the second crop, to 66,898 tonnes. The 2018 growth projection for the industry has been revised to a further contraction in the 2017 production of 32.3 percent.



In the first half of 2018, declared 3.8 gold production fell to 288,114 troy ounces, 19.4 percent below the original projection and 9.1 percent below the level achieved at the end of June, 2017. large mining companies two declared a total of 128,175 troy ounces, or

44.5 percent of overall declarations, their highest combined level since operations began. This increase was driven primarily by Troy Resources Limited, which experienced stable mining and processing conditions, resulting in the accumulation of an ore stockpile that can be processed during the two month wet season. On the other hand, the declaration of small and medium scale miners fell to its lowest first-half level, since 2010. This was largely attributed to higher operational costs, stemming from higher fuel prices, and the deterioration of hinterland roads. Together, these factors served to dampen the expected positive response of small and medium scale miners. Concerns also remain about the smuggling of gold, produced in Guyana, to neighbouring jurisdictions, where more favourable fiscal terms prevail. The Guyana Geology and Mines Commission (GGMC) conducted fewer visits to mining sites to verify the production numbers of small and medium scale miners; this was due to strike action, by GGMC workers, during the second quarter of the year. The revised outlook for the gold industry, for 2018, anticipates a contraction of 14.1 percent compared to the 3.3 percent growth originally projected.

The momentum achieved in the 3.9 bauxite industry, at the end of 2017, continued into 2018, with half year production reaching its highest level, since 2013, and surpassing the previous year by 21.1 percent. Both firms in the industry were able to maintain high



levels of production in response to favourable market conditions. However, in April

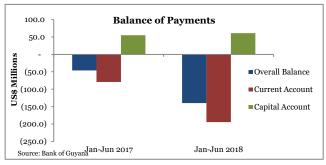
2018, production by the Bauxite Company of Guyana Incorporated (BCGI) was 40.1 percent below the level projected for that month. This drop was due to a temporary suspension of the operations of Oldendorff Carriers, the company used by BCGI to transship bauxite from Guyana, in response to the announcement of planned sanctions by the US on Rusal, the majority owner of BCGI. Notwithstanding, the two producers are expected to continue to maintain high levels of production for the remainder of the year, with favourable market conditions forecasted to persist. The forecast growth for the industry, for 2018, has been revised upward from 23.3 percent to 29.9 percent.

- The remarkable first half growth in other mining, of 31.2 percent, was driven by 3.10 the production of diamonds as well as stones, which increased by 13.3 percent and 45.5 percent, respectively, when compared with declarations over the same period of 2017. The growth in diamond declaration appears to be somewhat consistent with commodity price movements, while the growth in stone production is invariably tied to the expansion in construction. Available evidence indicates that the production of sand fell by 51.7 percent, during the first half of 2018, compared to 2017; however, GGMC is yet to survey quarries and sand pits. These estimates are likely to be revised once the surveys are completed. In the interim, the growth forecast for other mining, has been conditionally revised up to 17.5 percent, for 2018, from 3.8 percent.
- The manufacturing sector contracted, during the first half of 2018, by 2.4 3.11 percent, primarily due to declines in the production of sugar and rice. On the other hand, light manufacturing expanded by 1.2 percent, albeit less robustly than the 3.0 percent recorded in the first half of 2017. The outlook, for 2018, remains the same as projected at the time of the 2018 Budget.
- 3.12 The services sector grew by 8.2 percent, at the half year. Of the subcategories, significant growth was recorded in wholesale and retail trade and other service activities, of 17.4 percent and 18.5 percent, respectively. Expansion in the former was due to higher trade in imported final consumption goods, intermediate goods and capital goods. Growth in other service activities includes entertainment and professional

and personal care services. Relatedly, visitor arrivals grew by 18.3 percent, in the first half of 2018, over the similar period in 2017.

While the mining and quarrying and manufacturing sectors are expected to 3.13 contract, this will be offset by growth in all other sectors. The performance of the economy, in the first half of 2018, has resulted in a marginal upward revision of the annual growth rate from 3.4 percent (revised at the time of the IMF Article IV Consultation, in April, 2018), to 3.7 percent, slightly below the original projection of 3.8 percent.

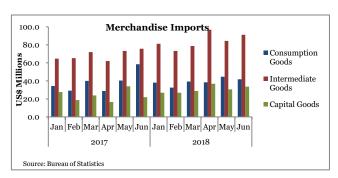
# **B. External Sector**



The overall balance of payments 3.14 recorded a deficit of US\$139.8 million, in the first half of 2018, compared with a deficit of US\$46.0 million, at the end of the same period, in 2017. Guyana's balance of payments deficit increased

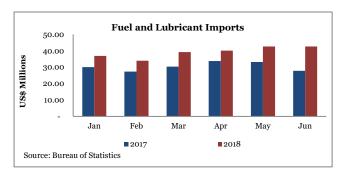
further as a result of a significantly higher deficit on the current account, which more than offset a surplus on the capital account.

The weakening of the current 3.15 account, from a deficit of US\$79.2 million to a deficit of US\$194.1 million, was due to higher deficits on the merchandise trade and services accounts, notwithstanding increased net



unrequited transfers. The negative balance on the merchandise trade account widened to US\$218.0 million during the first half of 2018, from US\$112.2 million, in the first half of 2017, attributed to stronger growth in total import payments, which rose by US\$137.8 million over the review period. Growth in imports was driven by an overall expansion in

all major categories – intermediate goods by US\$92.6 million, capital goods by US\$41.1 million and consumption goods by US\$3.6 million.



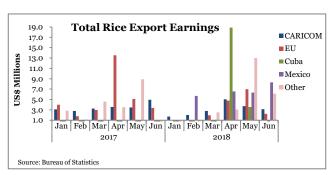
The total value of intermediate 3.16 goods rose from US\$412.8 million, in the first half of 2017, to US\$505.3 million over the first 6 months, in 2018. This expansion was mainly driven by growth in the import of fuel and lubricants,

which increased from US\$182.4 million to US\$239.0 million, over the review period, due to significantly higher prices. There was also noticeable growth in the other subcategories of intermediate goods, with the exception of textiles and fabrics, which declined by US\$0.2 million, while "other intermediate goods" and food for intermediate use, expanded markedly by US\$10.7 million and US\$10.1 million, respectively.

Growth in the total value of imported capital goods was driven by an increase in 3.17 the value of all subcategories, with the exception of agricultural machinery, which decreased by US\$5.6 million, during the first half, compared to the similar period in 2017. Within the overall category, substantial growth was recorded for mining machinery, "other capital goods" and industrial machinery, which expanded by US\$13.9 million, US\$10.6 million and US\$9.7 million, respectively.

The expansion of imports of consumption goods was mainly due to significant 3.18 growth in food for final consumption and other durables, which increased by US\$9.2 million and US\$8.2 million, respectively, over the reporting period. Further growth in this category was limited by a reduction of US\$22.8 million in the value of "other nondurable" goods imported.

3.19 While there was also growth in total export earnings, of US\$31.9 million, over the reporting period, it was not sufficient to offset the more significant expansion in total import payments. Growth in export earnings was mainly



driven by an increase in rice and bauxite exports which expanded by US\$33.9 million and US\$14.9 million, respectively, supported by an increase in both volumes and prices. Noteworthy growth in rice export volumes, which expanded by 42.6 percent to 289,880 metric tonnes, was driven by further penetration into the Cuban, Mexican and other markets. Additionally, export earnings increased from fish and shrimp, and rum and other spirits, within the "other exports" subcategory, which recorded growth of US\$6.8 million and US\$3.6 million, respectively.

In contrast, receipts from the 3.20 other major export commodities - gold and sugar - declined, during the first half of 2018, over the first half of 2017, by US\$19.0 million and US\$9.6 million, respectively. The decline in export



earnings from gold was mainly due to lower export volumes, which decreased by 12.8 percent, between half-years, to 282,615 troy ounces. This unfavourable outturn was largely due to challenges faced, by the Guyana Gold Board (GGB), with respect to gold smelting and the attainment of a cost-efficient quantity of gold for export.

On the services account, higher net payments, experienced during the first half of 3.21 2018, compared to the first half of 2017, were due to an increase in non-factor services, by US\$35.0 million, which more than offset the reduction, of US\$3.1 million, in factor services. The higher net payments for non-factor services were primarily driven by increases in transportation and travel, of US\$15.2 million and US\$26.2 million, respectively. However, also within non-factor services, commercial services net

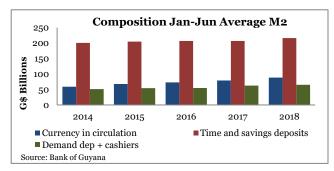
payments reduced by US\$6.5 million, primarily due to reducing payments relating to financial and other business services.

- With regard to factor services, improved levels of investment income led to a decline in outflows, during the first half of the year, compared with the first half of the previous year, by US\$2.1 million. Investment income, which grew from a net outflow of US\$2.5 million to a net inflow of US\$8.4 million, was primarily driven by direct investment income and portfolio investment income of commerical banks.
- Net unrequited transfers increased, in the first half of 2018, by US\$22.9 million, 3.23 when compared with the first half of 2017. The overall improvement was a result of increased inflows in workers' remittances of US\$33.4 million, notwithstanding the decrease in other current transfers by US\$13.8 million.
- Notwithstanding the deterioration of the current account, the capital account 3.24 continued to strengthen, recording a surplus of US\$71.8 million, during the first half, US\$16.8 million higher than the similar period in 2017. This performance was supported by higher capital transfers, which rose to US\$9.0 million, and an improved deficit of net short-term capital of US\$11.7 million, compared with a deficit of US\$33.3 million, recorded for the first half of 2017. Despite the overall medium and long-term capital balance declining, by US\$6.0 million, to a surplus of US\$74.6 million, foreign direct investment increased by US\$13.0 million, to US\$109.1 million, particularly in the energy and mining and quarrying sectors.
- The half year deficit on the overall balance of payments was financed by a 3.25 drawdown of the foreign assets of the Bank of Guyana, to the tune of US\$110.6 million, and exceptional financing in the form of debt forgiveness, of US\$28.6 million, and debt relief, of US\$0.7 million. In addition, as a result of the drawdown, the Bank's foreign reserves fell to US\$473.4 million at the end of the review period.

The overall balance of payments is projected to record a higher deficit, at the end of 2018, of US\$182.1 million, when compared with 2017. The current account balance is expected to weaken to a deficit of US\$366.3 million, driven largely by fuel imports, while the capital account is expected to post a lower surplus of US\$184.1 million.

# C. Monetary Sector

3.27 The money supply (M2), which includes narrow money (M1), and quasi money, expanded by 7.6 percent to \$372.6 billion, in the first half of 2018. This rate of expansion was the highest in the last five years, during which M2



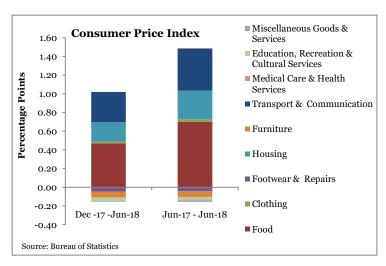
increased, on average, by 4.5 percent. Year-on-year growth of money supply, in June 2018, was driven by an increase in both narrow and quasi-money, of 11.0 percent and 5.3 percent, respectively. This is attributed to a 24.5 percent increase in net domestic credit, which was more than enough to offset a decline of 11.2 percent in net foreign assets and a deterioration of 1.7 percent in other items (net), over the review period.

Growth in narrow money, which remained robust, and higher than its 5-year 3.28 average of 9.2 percent, was supported by an expansion in all categories of M1. Specifically, currency in circulation and demand deposits expanded substantially, by \$9.1 billion and \$5.2 billion, respectively. While the former was mainly driven by an increase in currency issuance, by the Bank of Guyana, in response to increased economic activity, the latter was buoyed by growth in business enterprises and individual customers' deposits, of \$3.4 billion and \$1.8 billion, respectively. Furthermore, growth in quasi-money was supported by an increase in time and savings deposits, of \$1.4 billion and \$9.4 billion, respectively. Similar to broad money (M2), reserve money expanded by \$24.8 billion to \$172.8 billion, in June 2018, when compared with the previous 12 months, due to an increase in net domestic assets of \$45.5 billion.

The 12-month inflation rate 3.29 (as measured by the Consumer Price Index) reached 1.3 percent, in June 2018. This is higher than the 6-month rate of 0.9 percent, which recorded over the period



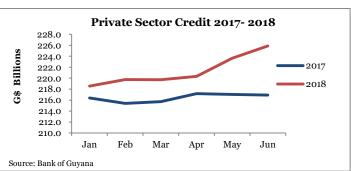
December 2017 to June 2018. The major drivers behind the inflation rate were rising food prices and transportation and communication costs. These subcategories increased by 1.7 percent and 2.5 percent, respectively, when compared with June 2017. Notably, the hike in food prices was responsible for approximately 0.7 percentage points of the total rise in 12-month inflation, while higher transportation and communication costs were responsible for about 0.5 percentage points of the increase.



More specifically, prices 3.30 grew for vegetables and vegetable products, meat, fish and eggs and fruits and fruit products, which approximately contributed percentage points, 0.2 percentage points and 0.2 percentage points, respectively, to the overall inflation in food prices. In addition, the increase in the transportation and

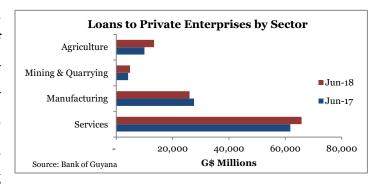
communication category was mainly driven by higher costs of operation and personal transport and personal transport equipment, which affected approximately 0.3 percentage points and 0.1 percentage points of the increase, respectively. In the same way, the 6-month inflation rate was driven by an increase in the same subcategories within food, with the exception of meat, fish and eggs, as well as those within transport and communication.

Net domestic credit of the 3.31 banking system grew by 24.5 percent to \$236.8 billion, half year on half year, as a result of an increase in credit to both the private and public sectors. Loans and advances to the

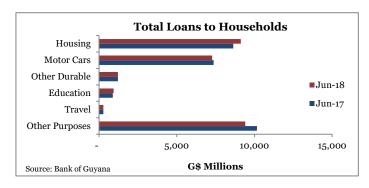


private sector expanded by 4.1 percent, owing to increases in credit to all sectors and agents, with the exception of the manufacturing sector, households and other. Lending to the manufacturing sector contracted by 5.7 percent to \$26.0 billion, due to a decline in credit to all the industries within this classification, except for "other manufacturing" and rice milling, which increased by \$1.8 billion and \$1.1 billion, respectively. Notwithstanding these increases, credit to the beverages, food and tobacco industry, and for other construction and engineering decreased notably, by \$2.6 billion (39 percent) and \$1.8 billion (15 percent), respectively.

In contrast, an expansion in 3.32 credit to the agriculture sector, of \$3.4 billion, was driven primarily by an increase in lending for paddy and livestock production, of \$2.9 billion and \$0.6 billion, respectively, across the reporting



period. Growth in credit to the services sector, from \$61.8 billion to \$65.8 billion, was mainly supported by an increase in lending for distribution, education and entertaining and catering, of \$2.7 billion for the former and \$0.7 billion for each of the two latter, respectively. Growth in lending to this sector was also driven by credit for telecommunications, which increased notably by over 101 percent to \$0.6 billion. Credit to the mining and quarrying sector also recorded growth of \$0.7 billion over the review period.



3.33 Credit to households declined by 0.4 percent to \$28.2 billion, over the last 12 months, largely on account of decreases in lending for "other purposes" and motor cars of \$0.8 billion and \$0.1 billion, respectively. Despite the overall deteriorating

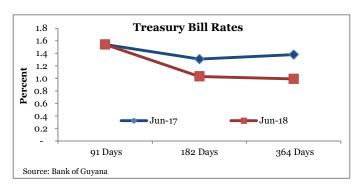
position, lending for housing and other durable goods recorded growth of \$0.5 billion and \$0.2 billion, respectively.

3.34 Additionally, growth in real estate mortgages of \$3.8 billion, to \$79.9 billion, was buoyed by an expansion in lending for private dwellings of \$4.2 billion, which was significant enough to offset a decline in lending of \$0.3 billion for industrial and commercial properties. With respect to credit instruments, growth in this category was largely driven by an increase in credit card usage, which rose by \$0.1 billion to \$3.0 billion, over the review period. Lending to the "other" category, which decreased by \$1.3 billion to \$4.5 billion, was primarily attributed to a decline in securities in non-bank corporations, which offset marginal growth in shares and other equity, of \$5 million.

3.35 Public sector credit (net), which consists of deposits net of loans and advances, treasury bills and debentures, remained in a net credit position with the banking system, which increased from \$4.2 billion, in June 2017, to \$44.8 billion, one year later. This resulted mainly from a decline in the Central Government's net credit position to \$98.7 billion, over the review period. The public enterprises' position also deteriorated, with deposits (net) contracting to \$24.6 billion. Conversely, net deposits of the "other public sector" category, which includes Local Government and the National Insurance Scheme (NIS), grew by \$1.0 billion to \$29.3 billion.

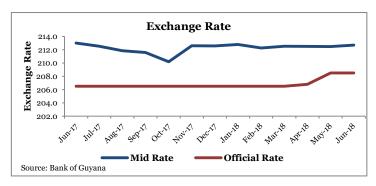
3.36 Total liquid assets of the commercial banks expanded by 2.1 percent to \$115.0 billion.

3.37 The 91 day domestic Treasury bill yield remained steady at 1.54 percent, in June 2018, when compared with June 2017. Noteworthy also, is that this has been the yield since February, 2017. In contrast, the 182 day and 364 day domestic Treasury bill



yields declined by 28 basis points and 39 basis points to 1.03 percent and 0.99 percent, respectively, as a result of competitive bidding for these treasury bills. In addition, the average commercial bank small savings rate declined by 8 basis points to 1.10 percent, while the weighted average lending rate reduced by 20 basis points, to 10.13 percent – the lowest for more than 20 years.

3.38 The Bank of Guyana recorded an official exchange rate of \$208.5 to the US dollar, since May 2018, after recording an exchange rate of \$206.5 to the US dollar since January 2014. The new rate represents 1.0 percent



depreciation over the previous. On the other hand, the market mid-exchange rate over the last year appreciated to \$212.07 to the US dollar, from \$213.02, as a result of a higher demand for the Guyana dollar.

# **D. Fiscal Sector**

3.39 The fiscal outturn, in the first half of the year, was as a result of both improved revenue performance and expanded public expenditure outlays. Revenue collections were driven mainly from taxes, both current and arrears, while public expenditure expansion resulted from additional costs associated with the restructuring of the sugar industry.

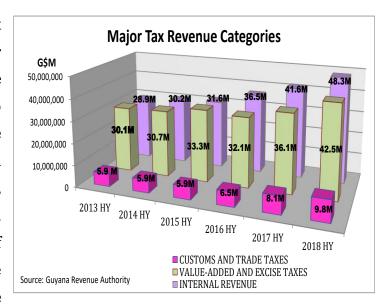
- The overall fiscal surplus of the non-financial public sector was \$31.1 million, for 3.40 January to June 2018, lower than the \$3.2 billion for the same period, in 2017. This performance was driven by a lower than expected outturn by the public enterprises, elevated current and capital expenditure by Central Government and lower capital grants, all of which eroded the gains from increased revenue collections during the review period. However, over 40% of the revenue gains are attributable to one-off arrears collections.
- Central Government overall balance, for January to June 2018, was a reduced surplus of \$3.1 billion, compared to \$8.3 billion, in the same period, in 2017. This is attributed to higher levels of expenditure by \$14.6 billion, as well as a reduction in grants of \$2.6 billion.
- 3.42 Notwithstanding the outcome of the fiscal sector, the economy's performance is expected to strengthen during the second half of 2018. Central Government operations are expected to improve, with the overall deficit, in 2018, projected to decline to \$34.5 billion, or 4.4 percent of GDP, from \$43.2 billion, or 5.4 percent of GDP, budgeted, for 2018. The projection for the Central Government current balance is now forecast at \$12.2 billion, for the year, from a budgeted \$4.8 billion. Revenue projections, for 2018, have been revised upwards to \$216.0 billion, from a budgeted \$201.9 billion. Capital expenditure is expected to be maintained at the budgeted \$59.7 billion.
- Revenue collections totalled \$109.2 billion, at end-June 2018, 12.4 percent above 3.43 the corresponding period, in 2017, due primarily to increased collections from all the major tax categories: income taxes increased by \$5.3 billion; value added tax increased by \$3.4 billon; excise tax increased by \$3.0 billion; and trade taxes increased by \$2.0 billion.
- Tax revenue collections remained significant, during the first half, representing 3.44 92.2 percent of total revenue collected, of which arrears accounted for \$6.3 billion.

However, non-tax revenue collections decreased by \$2.8 billion reflecting a reduction in special transfers from statutory bodies, as programmed for the year.

Within the tax category, internal revenue collection increased by \$6.7 billion, 3.45 reaching \$48.3 billion, during the first half of 2018. This increase was primarily attributed to higher payments of private corporation tax, withholding tax and personal income taxes. Private corporation taxes increased by \$870 million, or 5.0 percent, reflecting higher payments of advance taxes from commercial banks and companies within the services sector as well as increased collection of arrears, due to increased surveillance work.

Withholding tax grew by \$1.9 billion, or 46.5 percent, reflecting payments from companies within the oil and gas, services and mining sectors, which grew by \$0.9 billion, \$0.8 billion and \$0.2 billion, respectively, during the period January to June, 2018. Arrears accounted for \$677 million, during the review period.

Personal income 3.47 tax collections were \$1.8 billion, or 16.6 percent higher than the revenue received during January to June 2017. Improved compliance from the self-employed, through increased enforcement by GRA, also contributed to the increased collections. The number of employers making payments rose by 0.2 percent, to 11,295 during the

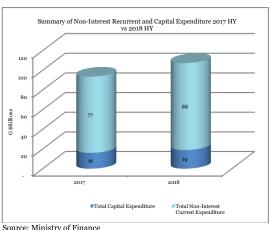


first half of 2018, in comparison to the similar period in 2017. Arrears payments were \$875 million for PAYE, or 53.3 percent of the increases attributed to PAYE, and \$1.1 billion for individual income taxes.

- 3.48 Net property tax of the private sector was \$3.1 billion, of which individuals payments were \$797.7 million, an increase of \$195.1 million above payments received for the same period, in 2017. Arrears were \$266.2 million, higher than the \$128.1 million collected in January to June 2017.
- 3.49 Customs and trade tax collections grew by \$1.7 billion to \$9.8 billion, during the review period, in 2018, over 2017. Import duties rose by \$1.6 billion above the 2017 halfyear position, due to the higher value of commodity imports, especially vehicles and aerated beverages.
- 3.50 Value added tax (VAT) collections increased by \$3.4 billion to \$22.7 billion, during January to June 2018, over the similar period in 2017. Over the comparison period, VAT from imports of goods and services grew by \$2.0 billion, while VAT on domestic goods grew by \$1.3 billion, primarily from higher payments in the telecommunication and wholesale and retail trade sectors.
- Revenue from excise taxes rose by \$3.0 billion, to \$19.8 billion, during the 3.51 current review period. Collections from imported petroleum products accounted for \$2.4 billion and motor vehicles imports, \$527.0 million. Excise tax collections from domestic supply increased by \$60.5 million to \$2.2 billion.
- Travel tax collection recorded an increase of \$300.3 million, for this reporting period, 30.0 percent higher than the January to June period, in 2017. The growth resulted from increased ticket sales to outgoing passengers.
- Total non-tax revenue, decreased by \$2.8 billion to \$8.5 billion during the first 3.53 half of 2018. This performance reflects less transfers from statutory agencies. Royalties collected by Central Government rose by \$717 million, as a result of higher gold production from the two large-scale gold mining companies.

Total tax remissions for January to June 2018, amounted to \$29.4 billion, 29.2 3.54 percent of tax revenues, compared to \$24.5 billion or 28.6 percent for the same period, in 2017. The increase resulted from the categories of: hospitals, by \$11.0 billion; companies/businesses, by \$6.8 billion; and foreign funded projects, by \$510.5 million. Moreover, remissions granted decreased in the categories of Ministries or Government Departments, by \$1.8 million; diplomats, by \$236.2 million; churches/charitable organisations, by \$204.4 million; remigrants, by \$90 million and public officials/officers, by \$27.6 million.

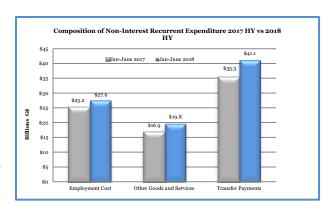
A sum of \$188.4 billion has been budgeted for central government's non-interest recurrent expenditure, for 2018. However, due to a supplementary provision of \$1.9 billion to the Sugar Corporation (GuySuCo), January 2018, this was revised upwards to \$190.3 billion. The sum of \$88.5 billion, or 46.5 percent of the budgeted sum, was spent, inclusive of the supplementary provision, by the



Source: Ministry of Finance

end of the first half. This represents an increase of \$11.0 billion over the corresponding period for 2017.

With respect to employment costs, \$27.6 billion, or 46.9 percent of the revised budget for this category, was spent, reflecting a \$2.4 billion, or 9.5 percent, increase when compared to the same period for 2017. This increase can be partly attributed to new recruits.



Source: Ministry of Finance

The sum of \$19.8 billion, or 37.5 percent of the revised budget, was expended 3.57 under other goods and services; this reflects a \$2.9 billion, or 17 percent increase, over

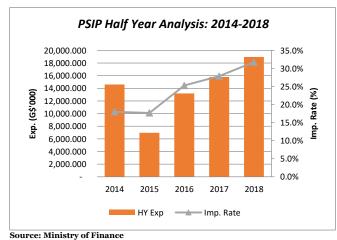
the same period for 2017. This increase is attributed to the early passage of Budget 2018, which facilitated an early commencement of the 2018 work programme, particularly in areas such as maintenance, purchase of materials and supplies and utility services. It should be noted that the IFMIS implementation of Freebalance Version 7.0 experienced difficulties such as importation of actual expenditure and cutting of cheques, during the first quarter of 2018. This slowed the rate of spending.

Summary Maintenance Expenditure 2017 HY VS 2018 HY						
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Chart of Accounts	2017 Actual	2018 Budget	2017 HY	2018 HY		
6242- Maintenance of Buildings	3,610,904	3,484,256	780,952	777,784		
6251- Maintenance of Roads	1,964,908	2,273,300	917,485	911,298		
6252-Maintenance of Bridges	409,078	416,930	108,215	82,345		
6253- Maintenance of Drainage and Irrigation	1,158,241	1,070,350	371,301	510,010		
6254- Maintenance of Sea Defences	394,440	474,600	150,940	201,113		
6255- Maintenance of Other Infrastructure	1,706,581	1,861,259	418,782	556,521		
Grand Total	9,244,151	9,580,695	2,747,675	3,039,072		
Source: Ministry of Finance						

Transfer payments amounted to \$41.1 billion, or 52.2 percent of the revised budget, for the period under review. This represents a \$5.7 billion increase, compared to the similar period, in 2017. This increase is mainly due to higher subsidies and contributions to local organisations, as a result of a supplementary provision to the Ministry of Agriculture, for part payment to severed GuySuCo workers. Government pension and old aged pension increases, which were a part of the Budget 2018

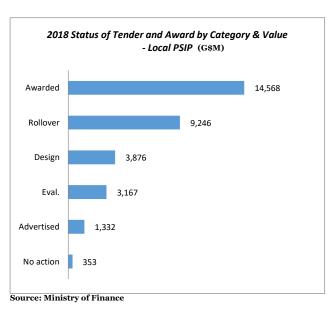
measures, also contributed to the higher expenditure.

The Public Sector Investment 3.59 Programme (PSIP) expended \$19.0 billion during the first half of 2018, reflecting a 20.0 percent increase, over the comparable period, in 2017. This represents an overall implementation



rate of 31.8 percent of the budgeted allocation of \$59.7 billion, the highest half-year implementation rate in the last 5 years.

3.60 While challenges persist within the tender process, evidence suggests that sensitisation clinics, held with Budget Agencies, during 2018, to mainstream procurement planning and assist agencies with the preparation of procurement plans, have positively impacted this half year performance. There has been a 30.0 percent improvement in the performance of the locally-funded portfolio, compared to similar period in 2017. Further, the general improvement in turnaround



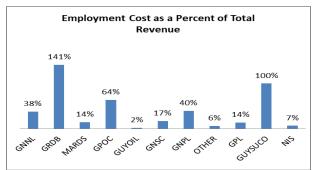
times in the tender process has contributed to improved implementation. As at the half year, more than \$23.8 billion of the local PSIP projects were awarded.

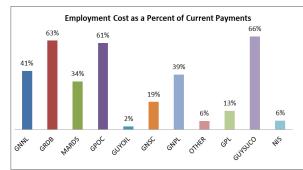
The implementation rate of the foreign funded portfolio of investments was 25.3 3.61 percent of the budgeted sum of \$27.3 billion, an improved performance when compared to the \$6.5 billion spent in the comparable period, in 2017. Government remains committed to delivering the PSIP, of \$59.7 billion, supported by rigorous monitoring of all PSIP projects. In the second half, greater emphasis will be placed on accelerated implementation of the foreign funded portfolio of projects.

For the first half of 2018, the total receipts from the Public Enterprises (PEs) were \$55.6 billion, an increase of \$1.3 billion, or 2.5 percent, when compared with the same period in 2017. The PEs contributed \$2.0 billion to local and central government, of which \$73.6 million was paid to Local Government, \$1.1 billion was paid as Value Added Tax (VAT), \$0.7 billion paid as Corporation Tax and \$0.2 billion paid as Property Tax. Notwithstanding, at the half year 2018, the combined enterprises posted a deficit of \$9.4 billion, higher than the \$7.3 billion deficit budgeted for the period and well above the \$5.0 billion deficit recorded in the similar period in 2017.

Public Enterprises – Totals and Ratios: 2018 Half Year Comparisons					
_	2015	2016	2017	2018	% Change
Total Receipts (\$m)	61,442.2	48,749.4	54,245.1	55,591.6	2.5
Total Operating Expenses (\$m)	52,560.7	38,127.8	55,679.3	61,658.4	10.7
Employment Cost (\$m)	12,433.1	12,016.1	11,855.4	11,181.5	-5.7
Capital Investment (\$m)	4,919.9	621.1	3,609.8	3,289.8	-8.9
Surplus/(Deficit) (\$m)	3,961.5	7,950.2	(5,044.1)	(9,356.7)	85.5
Local government Rates and Taxes (\$m)	23.7	26.9	148.5	73.6	-50.4
VAR Payments to GRA (\$m)	52.5	73.6	100.0	1,113.5	1014.0
Corporation Tax (\$m)	755.9	1,129.9	1,528.9	646.7	-57.7
Property Tax (\$m)	127.3	117.2	128.2	155.0	20.9
Dividends to Central Government (\$m)	0.0	1,000.0	0.0	0.0	
Total Contribution to government (\$m)	959.4	2,347.6	1,905.6	1,988.8	4.4
Gross Profit Margin	0.06	0.16	-0.09	-0.17	
Total Operating Expenses/Total Receipts	85.5%	78.2%	102.6%	110.9%	
Employment Cost/Total Receipts	20.2%	24.6%	21.9%	20.1%	
Employment Cost/Total Operating Expenses	23.7%	31.5%	21.3%	18.1%	
Source: Individual Public Enterprise					

3.63 Overall, revenue of the PEs increased, half-year-over-half-year, by 2.5 percent, largely due to GuyOil's \$2.8 billion revenue increase. GuyOil, GPL, NIS and GuySuCo accounted for over 97 percent of the PE's revenue. By the end of the first half of 2018, however, operating expenses totalled \$61.7 billion, a significant 10.9 percent over revenue earned for the period, and 10.7 percent above the operating expenses for the corresponding period, in 2017. GuySuCo contributed to this increase by virtue of having the highest employment cost – \$7.1 billion – for the first half of 2018. Labour costs in the sector remain a concern for corporations such as GPOC, GNPL, GuySuCo and GRDB that posted employment costs above 40 percent of revenue.





Source: Ministry of Finance

- For the first half of 2018, the Guyana National Newspapers Limited (GNNL) reported total receipts of \$244.4 million, a decline from the \$264.1 million in the first half of 2017, largely due to a reduction in receipts from debtors by 13 percent. Total expenditures increased from \$206.7 million, at mid-2017, to \$230 million at mid-2018, as employment costs and other payments grew by 10 percent and 14 percent, respectively. At this mid-year, the company recorded an overall surplus of \$5.4 million as opposed to a surplus of \$46.2 million, for the similar period last year. GNNL has revised its revenue projections, for 2018, upwards by \$2.9 million as well as payments by \$12.6 million. As such, GNNL anticipates a reduced surplus of \$10.1 million, down from a budgeted \$22.0 million, for 2018.
- The Guyana Rice Development Board (GRDB) reported revenues of \$186.8 3.65 million, for the first half of 2018, down from \$233.4 million reported for the same period in 2017, on account of declining receipts from debtors by 45 percent. Total expenditures were \$423.6 million, at the mid-year, or \$58.7 million more than was expended, at mid-2017. This is largely driven by employment costs moving from \$215.8 million, at mid-2017, to \$263.5 million, in 2018. Employment costs stand at 141 percent of total revenue and 62.8 percent of total payments. GRDB recorded a deficit of \$236.8 million at the half year, a significant deterioration from the deficit of \$131.5 million posted at the half year of 2017. Receipts for GRDB are now anticipated to be \$244.7 million below the amount budgeted for 2018, while expenditures are expected to rise by \$43.3 million. GRDB projects to post a deficit of \$279.5 million for this fiscal year, in stark contrast to the budgeted \$8.5 million surplus.
- MARDS Rice Milling Complex (MARDS) recorded total receipts of \$38.5 million at the half year, \$18.4 million higher than at mid-2017. This increase largely resulted from the collection of land rent. Additionally, there was an increase in sales of items such as pesticides and weedicides. Total expenses, on the other hand, decreased to \$16.2 million at mid-2018, from \$21.5 million, at mid-2017, due to a decline in expenditure for repairs, maintenance, and VAT and other payments. MARDS recorded a surplus of \$22.3 million, at the half year, an improvement over the deficit of \$1.4

million, posted in the first half of 2017. The entity anticipates that revenues will be \$4.1 million above the amount budgeted, for 2018, while operating expenses are expected to decline by \$9.4 million. The overall balance for 2018 has been revised upwards to a surplus of \$39.3 million, well above the originally budgeted surplus of \$25.6 million.

For the first half of 2018, the **Guyana Post Office Corporation** (GPOC) reported revenues of \$557 million, an increase of \$39 million, over the similar period for 2017, mostly resulting from an increase in receipts from debtors by 12 percent. Operating expenses also increased from \$530.5 million, at mid-2017, to \$582.5 million, at mid-2018, driven largely by a 7 percent increase in employment cost and 15 percent increase in other expenses. Capital expenditure for the period under review was \$17.6 million, pushing the overall deficit to \$43.1 million. Latest forecasts indicate that the Corporation is expected to record an overall deficit of \$25.9 million, for 2018, against a budgeted surplus of \$0.8 million. Revenues are anticipated to decline by \$41.9 million, while operating expenses and capital expenditures are expected to increase by \$4.1 million and \$11.1 million, respectively.

The Guyana Oil Company (GuyOil) Limited celebrated its 42<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary under the theme "42 is Because of You." In light of this, there were a number of customer appreciation days and activities held at selected service stations. In tandem, a marketing plan is being developed to address the declining sales of *Mogas* with a range of promotional initiatives for the Super 95 brand. Total receipts for GuyOil amounted to \$20.8 billion, for the first half of 2018, up from \$18 billion at half year 2017, on account of a 27 percent increase in receipts from debtors. Similarly, expenditures rose to \$20.9 billion, from \$16.8 billion, at half year 2017, reflecting increased payments to creditors. The overall deficit, at the half year 2018, stood at \$0.8 billion, up from the \$0.3 billion recorded at mid-2017. Notwithstanding increased fuel prices, which will add an additional \$4.1 billion for 2018, expenditures have also been revised upwards by \$6.9 billion. This has led to a projected surplus of \$1.1 billion being revised to a deficit of \$0.9 billion, for 2018.

- For the first half of 2018, the Guyana National Shipping Corporation (GNSC) reported a surplus of \$2.8 million, below the surplus of \$53.1 million for the same period in 2017. Total receipts were \$680.1 million, in the first half of 2018, an increase of \$132.8 million compared with the first half of 2017. This stemmed from a 139 percent increase in export sales and a 21 percent increase in local sales. On the other hand, total expenditure increased to \$643.6 million, from \$472.6 million, in the first half of 2017, largely on account of additional payments to creditors, of \$103.3 million and a 19 percent increase in other expenses. At the half year, the GNSC had revised its budgeted surplus position of \$38.3 million to \$10.6 million, in anticipation of total expenditures increasing faster than total receipts.
- 3.70 Guyana National Printers Limited (GNPL), at the half year, recorded revenues of \$200.4 million, well above the \$157.8 million recorded for the similar period in 2017, principally as a result of a 25 percent increase in receipts from debtors. Printing of exercise books for the Ministry of Education continues to be the major revenue source. Total expenditures, for the current period under review, amounted to \$255.6 million, substantially above the \$151.1 million reported for the same period, in 2017, resulting from added purchases of materials and supplies, to the tune of \$53.3 million and new capital expenditure of \$49 million. GNPL anticipates ending 2018 with a deficit of \$77.8 million, down from a budgeted surplus of \$3 million as total revenues are anticipated to be \$3 million below budgeted and total expenditures \$81.6 million above.
- The **Guyana Power and Light Inc.** (GPL) recorded a deficit of \$3.7 billion, for 3.71 the period under review, compared to a surplus of \$1.3 billion, for the first half of 2017. In keeping with its commitment to repay a GOG/GPL On-Lending Loan, valued at US\$43.3 million, which was granted in May 2010, the company remitted \$500 million of a budgeted \$1 billion to the central government, for 2018. For the period under review, GPL's receipts were \$15.1 billion, \$1.9 billion lower than the first half of 2017, largely due to a 15 percent decline in local sales. Total expenditures for the first half of 2018 amounted to \$18.7 billion, \$3.1 billion above the expenses for the same period in

2017, reflecting, in part, the increased acquisition cost of fuel. The revised outlook for 2018 shows GPL's deficit to be \$9.0 billion.

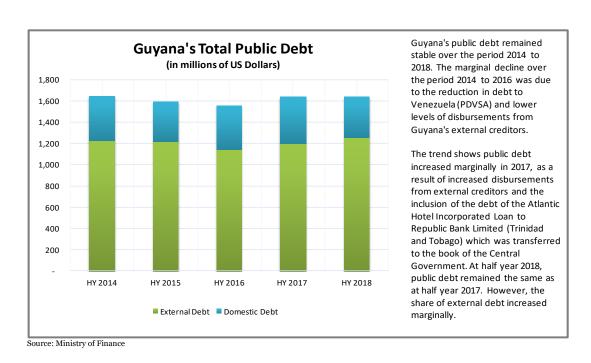
For the first half of 2018, the Guyana Sugar Corporation (GuySuCo) recorded an overall deficit of \$3.8 billion, an improvement over the deficit of \$6.3 billion for the similar period, in 2017. In 2018, the closure of Skeldon Energy Inc., during the first crop, inclement weather, strike action and factory maintenance downtime were among the factors that contributed to the lowering of the sugar production target and, subsequently, sales. Total receipts for the first half stood at \$7.1 billion, marginally below the \$7.2 billion recorded at mid-2017, though this year's half year revenue estimate includes a \$1.9 billion subsidy from central government for part payment of severance. In spite of an increase in local sales by \$0.2 billion, export sales declined, substantially, by \$2.8 billion. Expenditures amounted to \$10.9 billion, for the first half of 2018, \$2.6 billion below that of the similar period in 2017, as operations continued to be reconfigured. The industry continues to be plagued by problems, including an increase in the prices of several inputs. The Corporation now anticipates closing the fiscal year with a deficit of \$11.5 billion, a worsening from the budgeted deficit of \$5.2 billion.

Revenues collected by the National Insurance Scheme (NIS) increased, at mid-2018, to \$10.8 billion, 6 percent better than the similar period in 2017. This improved position reflected increased compliance efforts. The Scheme's investment portfolio continues to face low interest rates. Expenditure increased from \$10 billion, at mid-2017, to \$11.5 billion, at mid-2018, largely attributed to an increase in benefits' payments by \$1.4 billion. At the beginning of the year, the Funeral Benefit was increased from \$40,398 to \$44,438. The minimum rate for Old Age and Invalidity Pensions was also increased from \$27,500 to \$30,000 per month, and all other pensions above the minimum pension were increased by two percent from 1st January, 2018. At the half year, the overall deficit stood at \$715.6 million, compared to a surplus of \$252.5 million for the first half of 2017. The revised outlook for 2018 sees the deficit increasing from a budgeted position of \$0.5 billion to \$1.1 billion. The NIS is acutely aware of the delicate

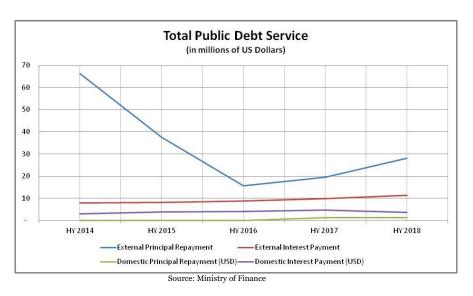
balance between confronting challenges such as the aging population and rising life expectancy, on the one hand, and increased benefits, on the other. As such, capturing the economically active population remains paramount for the long-term viability of the Scheme.

# E. Debt Management

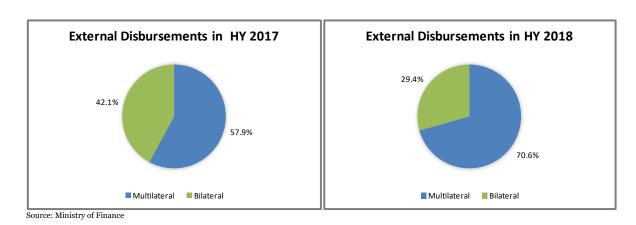
Guyana's public debt remains sustainable with a moderate risk of debt distress. This is mainly as a result of Government's continued effort to ensuring that financing needs and payment obligations are met at the lowest possible cost over the medium-tolong term, and debt is assumed with a prudent degree of risk. At the end of June 2018, Guyana's stock of public debt amounted to US\$1,637.2 million, similar to the 2017 half year position. Of the total public debt, external debt amounted to US\$1,255.1 million whilst domestic debt was US\$382.1 million. As a share of total public debt, external debt increased by 3.4 percentage points to 76.7 percent; the domestic debt decreased, correspondingly, to 23.3 percent relative to the position at June 30, 2017.



Total public debt service payments rose by 25.6 percent, from US\$35.3 million, 3.75 for the first half of 2017, to US\$44.3 million for the first half of 2018, primarily as result of increased payments to external creditors. The total public debt service as a share of central government revenues was 8.5 percent, for the first half of 2018, compared to 6.6 percent, for the first half of 2017. Over the review period, external debt service payments averaged about 86.0 percent of the total public debt service payments.



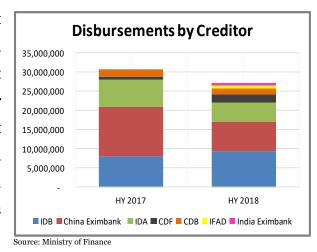
At the end of June 2018, the external public debt increased by 4.6 percent or US\$54.9 million, from US\$1,200.2 million at the end of June 2017, to US\$1,255.1 million. This was mainly attributed to a positive net flow from both multilateral and bilateral creditors.



During the first half of 2018, actual external disbursements decreased by US\$3.8 3.77 million to US\$27.0 million, as compared to the corresponding period in 2017, owing to

disbursements from the Export-Import Bank of China, International Development Agency (IDA) and the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB). These creditors provide funding to projects such as Cheddi Jagan International Airport

Extension Project, Guyana East Coast Demerara Road Improvement Project, Guyana Secondary Education Improvement Project, Guyana Education Sector Improvement Project and West Coast Road Widening Demerara and **Improvement** Project, all of which experienced lower levels of disbursements when compared to the first half of 2017.



Of the amounts disbursed at the half year, the multilateral creditors accounted 3.78 for 70.6 percent whilst bilateral creditors accounted for 29.4 percent. Multilateral creditors accounted for 57.9 percent with bilateral creditors accounting for the balance at end-June, 2017. The first half of 2018 shows a heavier reliance on financing from multilateral creditors as compared to the previous year. Notably, the IDB recorded the highest share of external disbursements at 35 percent or US\$9.5 million.

The debt to Guyana's bilateral non-Paris Club and commercial creditors continued to accumulate arrears on external debt service payments. At the end of June 2018, the external arrears marginally increased, by 2.3 percent or US\$3.6 million, from US\$161.3 million at the end of June 2017, to US\$165.0 million. Recognising the growing burden of this debt on the country's portfolio, the Government has been vigorously engaging these creditors in debt negotiations in an effort to settle debts.

<b>External</b>	Debt	Arrears
(all figures in th	housands	of US dollars)

		HY 2017		HY 2018			
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total	Change
	in Arrears	in Arrears	Arrears	in Arrears	in Arrears	Arrears	Change
Total	49,239.2	112,100.5	161,339.7	49,270.7	115,704.5	164,975.2	2.25%
Bilateral Creditors	33,225.5	110,380.6	143,606.2	33,251.4	113,995.4	147,246.8	2.54%
Argentina (BICE)	4,515.4	10,532.8	15,048.1	4,515.4	10,871.4	15,386.8	2.25%
Kuwait (KIA)	9,881.4	65,928.9	75,810.3	9,907.5	68,768.5	78,676.0	3.78%
Libya	15,000.0	28,494.7	43,494.7	15,000.0	28,778.1	43,778.1	0.65%
Serbia (Jugoimports SDPR)	587.7	757.2	1,344.9	587.7	781.0	1,368.7	1.77%
United Arab Emirates	3,241.0	4,667.1	7,908.1	3,240.8	4,796.3	8,037.1	1.63%
Private Creditors	16,013.7	1,719.8	17,733.5	16,019.4	1,709.1	17,728.4	-0.03%
Ruston Bucyrus (Gov't Bond)	27.6	1.4	29.0	28.1	1.4	29.5	1.64%
External Payments Deposit Scheme	12,538.5	0.0	12,538.5	12,538.5	0.0	12,538.5	0.00%
UK (Barclays Bank)	3,130.0	342.9	3,472.9	3,130.0	309.6	3,439.6	-0.96%
UK (Lloyds Bank Overdraft)	317.5	1,375.6	1,693.1	322.7	1,398.1	1,720.8	1.64%

Source: Ministry of Finance

- 3.80 During the first half of 2018, external principal and interest payments amounted to US\$39.4 million, representing an increase of 34.2 percent from the previous year. This significant increase was mainly as a result of the recommencement of payments to Venezuela (PDVSA). In addition, in the first half of 2018, principal repayment commenced on loans from the Export-Import Bank of China and IFAD, while interest payments began on new loans from CDF, IDA and IFAD.
- Guyana's public domestic debt stock declined by 11.7 percent, from \$90.2 billion 3.81 (or about US\$437.0 million) at the end of June 2017, to \$79.7 billion (or about US\$382.1 million). This decline was primarily due to a reduction in the stock of Treasury Bills, particularly the 182-day and 364-day Treasury Bills, as a result of higher redemption of 182-day Treasury Bill and falling demand by commercial banks who are the main holders of these securities.
- In the first half of 2018, domestic debt service payments accounted for \$1 billion (or about US\$5.0 million), reflecting a decline of about 16.7 percent compared to the same period last year. This decline was mainly due to lower interest payments for Treasury Bills, as a result of falling yields for the 364-day and 182-day Treasury Bills. The average yield for the 182-day and 364-day Treasury Bills declined by 51 basis points

and 61 basis points, respectively, as a result of competitive bidding in open market operations.

In the first half of 2018, Government guaranteed the National Industrial and Commercial Investments Limited (NICIL) \$30 Billion Fixed Rate Bonds. The bonds have been issued for a five (5) year term, with a rate of return of 4.75 percent per annum. The bond was subscribed by various investors. This government guarantee provided a mechanism for NICIL to access the capital markets to raise funds for specific expenditures relating to the operations of GuySuCo.

# F. Key Sector Highlights

#### a. Education

The public education system continued to deliver mixed results with respect to learning outcomes for school-aged children. During the first half of 2018, the National Grade Six Assessment (NGSA) results were revealed. Of the over 14,000 students who sat the NGSA, the pass rate for Mathematics stood at 38 percent, a decline from the 45 percent reported, for 2017. Notwithstanding the improvement in English from 52 percent, in 2017, to 60 percent, in 2018, being commendable, the fact that just over onethird of Guyanese students passed Mathematics is worrying. Guyana requires a populace that is well-rounded with a strong mathematical and analytic skill base, if the economy is to transition to a more diversified, innovative and productive one, as is reiterated in the preliminary inputs of the Green State Development Strategy.

Efforts continued to improve every facet of the public education sector. Of the 3.85 \$46 billion budgeted for the education sector for 2018, \$17.9 billion had been expended. Capital investments for the first half totaled \$1.1 billion, about 19 percent of the budgeted sum. Recurrent expenses were \$16.8 billion, representing 41.6 percent of the budgeted operational costs. Of the budgeted \$4.7 billion for the construction, rehabilitation, extension and maintenance of educational facilities throughout Guyana,

\$1.1 billion was spent. For 2018, such activities include the construction of new secondary schools at Good Hope and Parfaite Harmony, for which procurement was still ongoing at the half year. Final approval is expected in the third quarter and works are expected to commence in the fourth. The reconstruction of St. Rose's High is pending the completion of the demolition process and construction is to commence thereafter. The rehabilitation of the Wismar/Christianburg Secondary School will continue during the second half.

3.86 While the aforementioned will allow for improved capacity and quality of learning environment at the secondary level, especially as the gross enrollment ratio has grown from 73 percent, in 2017, to 88 percent, in 2018, newly trained teachers will also be deployed to reinforce the education system across all levels. Based on the current cohort, the Cyril Potter College of Education expects that over 380 trainees will graduate, in 2018, and join the pool of trained teachers. In addition, over 370 teachers are currently enrolled in the teacher upgrading programme, which, when completed, will prepare them for further development.

To support teachers in the delivery of the national curricula, the Smart Classroom Programme has commenced the conceptualisation process and will undertake a needs assessment at the beginning of the new academic year; this will initially target 93 primary schools across nearly all regions. In addition, to promote an extended coverage of trained teachers, the Government, as previously announced, improved the Remote Area Incentive (RAI) regime. All eligible teachers will receive their new RAI in the third quarter, inclusive of arrears owed for the first half of 2018.

3.88 Government is also pursuing additional targeted interventions at the various levels. At the early childhood level, 200 early childhood resource kits have been distributed across Regions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 10. Results of the nursery diagnostic assessment show improvements in early childhood education - emergent literacy standards have improved from 44 percent, in 2017, to 58 percent, in 2018, and emergent numeracy standards have improved from 46 percent, in 2017, to 61 percent, in

2018. At the primary level, the Inquiry-based Science Education approach, which was piloted across 10 schools since 2012/13, was expanded through the introduction of UNESCO Global Microscience Programme, in over 80 primary schools, during the first half, benefitting over 17,000 students. Microscience kits were procured and distributed to these schools. In addition, 83 primary level teachers have received training on this approach and a national team of trainers will work to support these primary schools with the implementation of the programme. Further, a total of eight science laboratories are at various stages of development, complementary to the aforementioned efforts. A science symposium is planned for November, to increase awareness and promote STEM subjects, in collaboration with the University of Guyana.

3.89 At the post-secondary level, the construction of practical instruction departments at selected secondary schools to support technical vocational education is expected to commence in the second half of 2018, as the procurement process is anticipated to be completed shortly. Additionally, the University of Guyana continues to improve the delivery of tertiary education with the introduction of online testing and the introduction of new programmes to support an evolving economy. During the first half, the University added the diploma programmes in psychology and in land administration management as well as a certificate programme in refrigeration.

Government continues to ensure that young learners are afforded the nutrition required to sustain a healthy and productive academic life and has expanded the hot meal programme to 202 schools to date, above the anticipated 172 at the time of the Budget 2018 Speech. Over 25,000 students are currently benefiting from this intervention and, during the second half, an additional seven schools will join the hot meal programme, which will increase coverage in the hinterland to 100 percent. The breakfast programme will also be ramped up during the second half, with an expected additional 67 schools coming on board.

## b. Health

The 2018 Budget focused primarily on consolidating the efforts of the public health programme to modernise public health services, generally, and improve regional health service delivery, specifically. To this end, \$14.4 billion, of a budgeted \$33.3 billion, for 2018, was expended, in the first half of 2018, on enhancing the public health sector – an improvement over the similar period for 2017. Of that amount, \$707.4 million was spent on improving the capital asset base that supports service delivery and \$13.7 billion on recurrent expenses. The former represented 21 percent of the budgeted capital expenditure and the latter, 46 percent of the recurrent expenditure.

3.92 In an effort to improve the provision of health services across Guyana, during the first half of 2018, 11 specialist doctors were deployed to Regions 1, 2, 6 and 10, with an expected 11 more to be added across Regions 1, 5 and 8, in the second half. These specialists add to the capacity of our healthcare workforce to deliver neonatal, obstetrics, gynecology, pediatric and endocrinology services, among others. To complement the reinforcement of the healthcare workforce, Government has expended \$489.7 million of the budgeted \$2.4 billion to upgrade, maintain and construct health infrastructure across the country, which include works on the Port Kaituma Hospital and the bonds of the Ministry of Public Health's Materials Management Unit. Additionally, \$198.9 million of the budgeted \$600 million for medical equipment was utilised.

Of the \$2.2 billion allocated for the purchase of drugs and medical supplies for the 10 regions, \$1.8 billion was spent at the half year – a significant improvement over the first half of 2017. In spite of the limitations of the public health system, it is expected that healthcare professionals across the country will have improved facilities and supplies to better cater for their respective patient loads and disease profiles than previously.

As gains are made with respect to the expansion of health service, significant efforts have also been expended on improving the quality of healthcare. It is anticipated that the procurement of a mammography machine and a viral load machine will be completed in the second half of 2018. They are expected to bolster the system's capacity to conduct adequate screening and allow for early detection and treatment. In addition, the National Care and Treatment Centre has piloted the point of care testing for non-HIV sexually transmitted infections, during extended hours, to facilitate key populations.

Public education continues to be the gold standard for the promotion of the benefits of breastfeeding to improve child health. Other quality-of-service interventions, for 2018, include the rehabilitation works, which were undertaken, during the first half, on the maternal waiting home in Georgetown, and the advancement of the procurement process to construct a new home, in Annai. Both are expected to be completed towards the end of 2018, with the former benefitting from an added capacity of 10 beds, and the latter completed with a capacity of eight beds.

During the first half, the need to improve the wastewater management system at the 'CC' Nicholson Hospital emerged as a matter of priority, for 2018, prior to the commencement of the rehabilitation of the Obstetric Unit. This critical issue is being addressed to comply with best practices and standards. Procurement of consultancy services for the design of the wastewater management system commenced in the first half and will be completed in the third quarter of 2018. The design is expected to be delivered in early 2019. Georgetown Public Hospital Corporation, on the other hand, will benefit from the procurement of essential obstetric and newborn care equipment, in the third quarter, 2018. In addition to maternal and child health, the recently established Elderly Health Unit, having completed the development of Minimum Standards for Elderly Healthcare in the first half, is currently piloting an elderly health site in Region 3. This facility will offer special services to persons over the age of 60 and will include nutritional counseling, counseling on physical activities, routine screening and home-visits for shut-ins.

With regard to the national situation on mental health issues, the Government continues to intensify its efforts on awareness and detection. As at the end of May 2018, 63 health professionals had received training on mental health, for 2018, as part of the Unit's target batch of 500 over the period 2017-2018. The national efforts to address mental health issues have apparently begun to yield results. The preliminary number of reported suicides, as at the end of June 2018, is 50, compared to 59 for the first half of 2017. Efforts will continue to improve mental health, nationally, as well as minimise the associated stigma.

3.98 On the issue of improving health sector management, the Budgeting for Results platform, developed for the Ministry of Public Health to improve its capacity for resultsbased management and health planning, has been handicapped due to the poor state of the information communication technology (ICT) infrastructure of the Ministry. The Ministry is currently examining potential emergency measures to rectify this issue as a matter of priority. Additionally, the Geographic Health Information System (GHIS), which was piloted in 2017, is currently undergoing evaluation with a final report expected in the second half of 2018; this is expected to guide the manner in which ICT is integrated into the public health system. Further, data collection for the System of Health Accounts, which commenced in 2017, was concluded in the first half of 2018. The final report and accompanying analyses will be completed in the second half.

While much is still required to develop the public health sector into a comprehensively modern and progressive system, there are some optimistic signs. In the first half of 2018, only \$49 million needed to be expended on medevacs as opposed to the same period in 2017 when \$100 million was required. In addition, the percentage of regional hospitals equipped to provide specialist care improved from 60 percent, in 2017, to 75 percent as at mid-2018. However, there remained areas where improvement was slow and that may warrant urgent remedial action. These include: (i) maternal and child health, where the maternal mortality ratio, though falling to 84 per 100,000 live births, at mid-2018, is still well above the target of 70 per 100,000 live births, for 2018; (ii) HIV/AIDS, where preliminary data indicates that the number of new reported cases

of HIV stands at 247 as at end-May, a worrying trend of increase in this epidemic that has been observed for the period 2013-2017; and (iii) adolescent health, where the percentage of pregnant adolescents within the last year was reported to be 24 percent, for 2017, but stands at 23 percent at the half year, 2018.

## c. Housing

3.100 During the first half of 2018, the Central Housing and Planning Authority (CHPA) made progress in the development of a housing strategy. The Authority has benefitted from technical assistance to support the development and implementation of a housing and urban strategy which, in addition to incorporating the recommendations of the position paper on housing, is also aimed at strengthening CHPA's capacity to manage and analyse territorial information and facilitate multi-sectoral knowledge sharing on housing and urban development topics.

3.101 While the development of the strategy is ongoing, the Authority has commenced the sanitisation of the government housing programme's application backlog. The exercise will help the CHPA to ascertain which applications are still relevant and which may not, in an effort to ensure that the Authority's limited resources are focused only on those who are in actual need of a housing solution at the current time. Work on five spatial development plans has commenced, and are at various stages of completion. These plans are intended to guide both central and local governments on zoning and appropriate land usage and development.

3.102 With regard to the provision of affordable housing, following the successful pilot of the model village, in 2018, which saw various solutions, including duplexes and elevated single homes being constructed, the Government has expanded its programme for providing complete housing units. In the first half of 2018, the construction of 75 units of various types was completed while 153 additional units are slated for completion before the end of the year. A total of 78 units has been sold (and pre-sold), as at end-June, 2018. In an effort to nudge occupancy rates and increase security of tenure, the CHPA has embarked on a number of additional initiatives, in 2018, including:

- i. The issuance of 1,217 of the targeted land titles,
- ii. Regularisation of 98 of the targeted 320 squatters, and
- iii. The allocation of 499 house lots.

3.103 In addition, under the Hinterland Sustainable Housing Programme, over 80 percent, or \$194.9 million of the budget, had been expended during the first half of 2018. Of the 130 housing subsidies and 38 roof replacement subsidies scheduled for 2018, 70 and 31, respectively, have been completed. The remainder is expected to be undertaken in the second half. Further, Government has successfully satisfied the preconditions to the US\$30 million loan and preparatory work had commenced, in the first half of 2018, involving tendering for works, which will include road and drainage improvements, starting with Sophia before the end of the year.

#### d. Water

3.104 During the first half of 2018, the sum of \$942.6 million, or about 30 percent of the budget, was expended to improve access to potable water in various communities. New wells were completed at Koko, Region 1, benefiting in excess of 350 persons; and at Sophia and Sparendaam, benefiting over 24,000 persons. Works commenced, also, on the drilling of new wells at Port Mourant and Vergenoegen, and the construction of new water treatment plants at Diamond, Uitvlugt/Cornelia Ida and Sheet Anchor. A new transmission main was installed between Eversham and Phillipi, Region 6, to improve the reliability of water supply to the catchment area. To maintain the quality of service that meets international standards, a mini-laboratory was established at the Eccles water treatment plant to monitor for microbiological and chemical contaminants.

3.105 In the second half of the year, work will continue on the new water treatment plants as well as on the design and rehabilitation of the Shelter Belt treatment plant, which was constructed over six decades ago. It is also expected that new wells will be

completed at Port Mourant and Vergenoegen, by the end of 2018. In addition, Government will begin the construction of new wells at Pouderoyen and Westminster, as well as improve water distribution in Port Kaituma, Lethem and Mabaruma. Further, the improvements to the water supply systems at Wayaleng, Chenapau, Chinoweing, Campbelltown, Rincon, and Kamwatta are also expected to be completed, in 2018, and will benefit over 3,500 persons, who would have access to potable water for the first time. Expansion works at Moblissa and Three Friends are to commence in the third quarter and will be completed by the end of the year.

3.106 The metering programme continues to be rolled out, with the planned installation of 10,000 meters to be completed by the beginning of the fourth quarter. This is anticipated to reduce non-revenue water and result in excess of 50 percent of the customer base being metered, up from 45 percent, in 2017.

#### e. Sanitation

3.107 The Government expended \$34.2 million, of a budgeted \$178.6 million, on related capital investments and \$184.8 million, of a budgeted \$413.7 million, on operational costs, during the first half of 2018. Preliminary designs for sanitary landfill sites at Linden and Mahdia were completed, while the design for Bartica is awaiting the completion of a cadastral survey. Consultations will be held with the relevant municipalities and Strategic Environmental Assessments will, thereafter, be undertaken, with a view to obtaining the relevant licenses, prior to the commencement of the procurement process for construction.

3.108 Further, the design for the construction of Cell 2 of Haags Bosch Sanitary Landfill site is being finalised and the procurement process is expected to get underway, in the second half. The upgrading of access roads to the Lusignan site was completed, in the first half, while works on the access road in Rose Hall continued and are expected to be completed in the second half. Due to constraints, works on the access road to the Belle Vue site has been deferred, to 2019.

3.109 To continue to build awareness and capacity at the local level, various activities were continued and new ones launched, during the first half of 2018, including the launching of composting in two schools. Two workshops will be conducted in the second half, 2018, for Local Democratic Organs, in the area of improved on-site wastewater solutions.

# f. Agriculture

3.110 In the first half of 2018, the Government spent \$14.4 billion, of a budgeted \$19.4 billion on investments and programmes designed to diversify Guyana's agriculture base, improve productivity and strengthen agriculture support services. Of that amount, 13.9 percent related to capital investments. The restructuring of the sugar industry continued as GuySuCo aims to reconfigure its operations in order to improve competitiveness and profitability. While the Special Purposes Unit forged ahead with divestment of the identified estates – the proceeds of which are intended to finance improving operations including in the areas of cogeneration and field and factory improvements - the Government proceeded to secure a syndicated bond of \$30 billion, as interim financing, for the Corporation. Meanwhile, the strategic plan is being updated to guide GuySuCo's modernisation.

3.111 Further, in providing support to displaced workers, more than 200 former employees of GuySuCo benefited from training in farming and vocational skills; additional workers are anticipated to receive training in the second half. A coordinating committee for the sustainability and resiliency programme has been established, and is considering a study to assess the current state of livelihood of ex-employees so as to ensure that efforts are targeted towards promoting gainful employment and sustainable work opportunities in other sectors. With respect to the severance payments for exworkers, Government transferred \$1.9 billion to GuySuCo for the first tranche, in addition to the \$500 million within Budget 2018, which covered full payments for those whose total severance amounted to \$500,000 or below; while the remainder would initially receive 50 percent. To date, 3,985 individuals benefitted from payments. In addition to the \$314 million balance from the first tranche, a sum of \$2.8 billion has been requested for further payments, which the Corporation will utilise to fulfill its severance obligations later this year.

3.112 A feasibility study for the co-generation of electricity at the Albion and Uitvlugt estates was completed, in the first half, and expressions of interest were invited for the development and construction of the co-generation facilities, which may result in the sale of surplus electricity to the national grid.

3.113 As diversification takes root within the sugar industry, so, too, the Government anticipates similar efforts, in the rice industry, to get underway. The partnership between the GRDB and Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI) is anticipated to be operationalised, in the second half, 2018. In addition, promotion of non-traditional crops remains a priority, with 67 demonstration farms being operationalised, in the first half, across all the administrative regions, for crops such as onions, turmeric, ginger, purple cabbage, carrot, broccoli, cauliflower, breadfruit, tomato and coconut. Efforts to improve support services for diversification also progressed. The designs for the establishment of an agricultural centre and reservoir in Lethem are expected to be completed by the end of 2018. In addition, the rehabilitation of the Ebini research station, in Region 10, is expected to continue through the end of 2018 and into 2019.

3.114 As part of the diversification effort, agro-processing has been re-emphasised as a key component of Government's agriculture agenda. In Paramakatoi, Bamboo Creek and Chiung, 59 farmers produced 14,000 seedlings for the expansion of value-added tomato production, during the first half. In addition, the Government has committed to working with the Guyana Manufacturing and Services Association to promote the development of agro-processing, as priority sector for this year's GCRG/GMSA Inter-Ministerial Roundtable. The Roundtable, having already met, in the first half, has tasked the supporting Technical Working Group with examining areas for cooperation.

3.115 Furthering development of the livestock industry, the draft design for the new abattoir, in Region 5, was completed, in the period under review, and a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the relevant stakeholders that will ensure that international standards for meat processing and cattle abattoir facilities will be met. In addition, the Government has taken steps to secure funding for the design of an abattoir in Region 9. Systems, including a grading system, will be put in place to improve the quality of livestock products. The Government will continue to expand the artificial insemination programme.

3.116 In terms of the fisheries subsector, regulations, under the Fisheries Act, were updated and gazetted in May, to promote proper and effective usage of the Vessel Monitoring System and Bycatch Reduction Devices. In order to improve compliance, the process commenced to purchase a vessel for the Fisheries Department. Aside from compliance with standards, work is in progress to acquire certification for the Marine Stewardship Council to institute a branding programme for catch coming from sustainable fishing practices. This should encourage the use of sustainable practices and double as a marketing tool for producers. Furthermore, research continued on feed production for aquaculture, in order to reduce the cost of production. The brood stock was replaced, in the first half of 2018, so as to boost fingerling production, in the second half.

3.117 To provide for food safety across the various industries within the sector, relevant regulations for the standardisation of outputs were drafted and presented to the Select Committee of Parliament. Once the Bill is passed, the Food Safety Authority will be operationalised.

3.118 To support and underpin agriculture activities across the country, especially in low-lying regions, and given climate change effects, the Government expended \$3.7 billion, of a budgeted \$6.1 billion, during the first half, 2018, on improving the national drainage and irrigation systems across the country. For this period, works were completed in relation to the construction, rehabilitation and maintenance of canals and

drains and fair weather dams. The mapping of the drainage and irrigation network advanced with 85 percent being completed at the half year; the remainder will be completed by year-end. Additionally, the contract for the provision of additional fixed and mobile pumps will be signed in the second half of the year, with delivery anticipated by early 2019.

3.119 The Bureau of Statistics continued to undertake preparatory work towards the launch of the agriculture census. This is another effort towards strengthening of the institutions and systems that will lead to evidence-based policymaking for the diversification of the agriculture sector. In addition, The Green Climate Fund approved, in June, \$140 million for the second readiness support for the agriculture sector. This support will be directed towards adaptation and resilience building in the sector.

# g. Infrastructure

3.120 Government continues to invest significant, though limited, human and financial resources towards improving the quality and coverage of public infrastructure across the country. With this in mind, of the \$35 billion allocated, for 2018, \$13.1 billion was spent, in the first half of the year, despite inclement weather and human capacity constraints.

# **Roads and Bridges**

3.121 At the half year, \$5.0 billion, of a budgeted \$14.3 billion, was expended on improving road infrastructure across the 10 administrative regions. Of that amount, \$4.1 billion was spent on rehabilitation and construction works. With respect to the catalytic road transport initiatives outlined in the 2018 Budget, progress has been made as follows:

Expansion of the Sheriff Street-Mandela Road Programme - the relocation of utilities commenced in the first half of the year and is approximately 85 percent complete. However, commencement of construction has been frustrated due to failure by the contractor to honour key contractual obligations, including

mobilisation of key personnel and equipment. The road project is now in jeopardy as the Government has requested termination of the contractor, Sinohydro Corporation.

- Four-Lane East Coast Demerara Highway \$0.9 billion, of a budgeted \$2.7 billion, was expended on expansion works, as at the half year, with the expectation that the four lane carriage to Annandale will be substantially completed by year-end; and
- West Coast Demerara Highway rehabilitation and resurfacing was completed and the Highway will be commissioned in July.

3.122 The design of the first phase of the Linden-Lethem Road is expected to commence during the third quarter of 2018. In addition, the feasibility study and design for the Soesdyke-Linden Highway will also begin in the second half. Within the hinterland regions, the rehabilitation of the Port Kaituma-Matthew's Ridge corridor and upgrading of 2.4 kilometres of internal roads, in Mahdia, have been completed, all of which are expected to increase economic activity and reduce transaction cost. Additionally, works are progressing on the rehabilitation of the Bartica-Potaro road and are expected to continue through to 2019. Of the budgeted \$1.5 billion for road network construction and upgrading in the hinterland, almost 50 percent was expended at the half year.

3.123 In addition, the construction of Guyana's first ever roundabout at the junction of Vlissingen Road, Irving Street, Kitty Public Road, Carifesta Avenue and Rupert Craig Highway was completed during this reporting period and commissioned on June 4, 2018. Already, it has contributed to a smoother traffic flow at these intersections. With respect to improving road safety facilities and access, the installation of elevators for the pedestrian overpasses, on the East Bank, commenced and is scheduled for completion and commissioning, by the end of the third quarter.

3.124 A Public-Private Partnership (P3) model has been agreed as the method of financing the construction of a high capacity, four-lane, stationary-bridge across the

Demerara River. Currently, the Government is soliciting technical assistance to commence developing the PPP prospectus. Additionally, the design for the Kurupukari river crossing will form part of the Linden-Lethem Road study. Overall, \$0.2 billion, of budgeted \$0.8 billion, for 2018, was spent on the maintenance and completion of several bridges during the first half. To the relief of commuters, businesses and residents, the Lusignan and Annandale panel bridges were completed; the disjointed connection at the Hope Canal Bridge approach was also rectified; and the reconstruction of the Bagotsville Bridge on the West Bank Demerara was completed.

# **Air and River Transport**

3.125 For the first half of 2018, Government expended \$1.9 billion, of the \$6.5 billion, allocated to improve air and river transport infrastructure across the country. The majority of the half-year expenditure was associated with the upgrading of the Cheddi Jagan International Airport (CJIA). The check-in and departure lounges of the existing terminal building as well as the installation of two passenger boarding bridges and the extension of the northeastern runway have been completed. Already, passengers have been accessing some of the completed facilities. Works will continue through year-end to the meet the deadline for the utilisation of the loan resources.

3.126 During the period under review, preparatory works for the development of the aviation master plan commenced. Procurement of a consultant to undertake this activity will be completed in the second half of the year. The planned rehabilitation of hinterland airstrips is progressing, having experienced delays with the procurement process, in the first half. The Government hopes to secure a loan of US\$15 million, to improve this form of transport infrastructure, which will finance the reconstruction of the 51 year old onelane Wismar Bridge, upgrade of the Lethem aerodrome and construction of a new riverine transport terminal at Parika. This first phase of this project was presented to the Caribbean Development Bank's Board of Directors meeting in July 2018. A loan of US\$4.4 million has since been approved to commence feasibility studies and designs.

3.127 In relation to river transport, the redesign for the rehabilitation of the Leguan and Bartica (Phase II) Stellings progressed, in the first half, with the tender process anticipated to commence in the second half of the year. The designs for the reconstruction of the Vreed-en-Hoop & Stabroek Stellings will also commence in the second half of the year, the procurement process having been substantially completed in the first half of the year. Further, the evaluation of the tender for the acquisition of an ocean-going passenger and cargo ferry vessel is being finalised, with the expectation that an award will be made in the second half and a mobilisation advance provided. This vessel is anticipated to ply the Georgetown-North West, Region 1, route. Of the \$500 million budgeted for rehabilitation of the existing fleet of river and ocean-going vessels, \$363 million has been expended, as at mid-year.

#### Sea and River Defence

3.128 With respect to climate mitigation measures, \$0.9 billion of the \$2.4 billion that has been allocated, for maintenance, construction and rehabilitation of sea and river defence structures, was spent at the half year. Greater progress was hampered because of issues of access and material shortages. Notwithstanding, the improvement of structures at De Willem, Grove/Look Out and Cottage began, in the first half, and the works are anticipated to be completed in the second half. The construction of the rip rap structure at Ruimzeigt/Waller's Delight and maintenance of the structure at Pomeroon have been completed. Works at Uitvlugt will commence before the end of 2018.

# h. Energy

3.129 The first ever solar farm located in Mabaruma has been substantially completed. Testing is being carried out to efficiently integrate its electricity supply into the local grid system. This initiative is expected to increase the supply of electricity for residents by eight hours and is scheduled to be fully operational by the end of August 2018. Further, feasibility studies for the establishment of solar farms have been completed for Port Kaituma, Bartica, Lethem, Matthew's Ridge, Mahdia and Kwakwani. Financing for the

supply and installation of these solar farms are being pursued with the support of development partners. Further, geotechnical studies for the development of hydropower projects at Kumu and Moco Moco are expected to commence in the third quarter and, once completed, will be incorporated into the overarching feasibility study.

3.130 To intensify efforts and further solidify its commitment to renewable energy, the Government has successfully secured \$80 million under the Guyana-Norway partnership agreement, following an official visit to Norway by a high level delegation of Government. Government intends to utilise these resources on renewable energy interventions including the development of additional solar farms.

3.131 The energy efficiency programme to outfit government buildings before the end of 2018 is on track. A total of 11,273 LED lamps and 1,027 motion sensors has been outfitted to these buildings. Also, a total of 90 Government buildings - above the targeted 74 - would have solar photovoltaic panels installed by the end of 2018, representing 1.9 kilowatts of new installed solar capacity.

3.132 Additionally, work on the rehabilitation of the low and medium voltage network of GPL is ongoing, with a view to complete Lot A, consisting of 328 kilometres of circuit, by early 2019. The procurement process for Lot B, which entails the rehabilitation of a further 310 kilometres, was re-launched in the first half, after deficiencies in the evaluation were noted in 2017. A contract for this Lot is anticipated to be signed by the end of 2018. Works for both lots will cover areas across Regions 3, 4, 5 and 6. Residual works will be financed with the support of the Islamic Development Bank to upgrade 153 kilometres of the low/medium voltage distribution network, procure 6,941 smart meters and upgrade sub-stations in Vreed-en-hoop and Kingston.

#### i. Tourism

3.133 Guyana continues to show great potential as a prime tourist destination. In the first half of 2018, tourist arrivals increased by 18.3 percent to 134,347 visitors, when compared to the same period, in 2017. This outturn was attributed to national events, sporting events, meetings and workshops, held during the review period. Of the visitors for the first half of 2018, those from the Caribbean and United States of America accounted for the largest share, of 48.6 percent and 30.3 percent, respectively. This increasing trend of visitor arrivals will continue in the second half, with the hosting of Caribbean T20 cricket (3 regular matches and the 2 semifinals), ICC Women's T20 Cricket World Cup and at least two international conferences.

3.134 Progress was made in promoting the Guianas Shield with preparatory work being undertaken for a tourism accord between Suriname and Guyana. The finalisation and signing of the accord are expected during the second half of the year. The Accord will facilitate greater cooperation between the two CARICOM nations towards expanding their respective tourism sectors. Further, in supporting cultural heritage and sports events, the Department of Tourism facilitated sports event organisation workshops in the first half and will endeavour to support the creation of a Sports Tourism Calendar of Events and the strengthening of sports tourism marketing, in the second half.

3.135 As part of the implementation of the Tourism Development and Destination Marketing Plan, a new destination website was developed and soft launched, in the first half, as was a digital marketing strategy, which is currently in execution. Additionally, market representative companies have been identified to serve the USA, Canada and German market with services, beginning August 1, 2018. Their primary responsibilities, over their respective one-year engagements, will include raising brand awareness for Destination Guyana, increasing engagement and driving visitation to Guyana through on-site, face-to-face interaction with travel trade, media, influencers, and consumers.

3.136 Further, in support of deepening industry operatives and investors' links, a community-led tourism framework continues to be developed which outlines the process for optimal tourism development within indigenous and non-indigenous communities and is designed to help streamline the process for tourism development. It will include a toolkit and action plan for community tourism development, and is

expected to be completed during the third quarter of 2018. Additionally, tourism initiatives in indigenous communities have been mapped and a remote visitor and market readiness assessment was completed, in the first half of the year. This will inform product development support services.

3.137 Finally, a total of 191 persons were trained, in the first half, in areas such as Customer Service, City-tour Guiding, Housekeeping, Basic Statistics-Accommodation Occupancy Computation, First Aid/CPR and Advanced Food Safety Training. Another 309 persons will be targeted for training in the second half.

# j. Information Communication Technology

1.138 The Government continues to work assiduously to stimulate growth for the budding information and communication technology (ICT) sector. To guide the Government's efforts, the National ICT Strategy is expected to be finalised before the end of the third quarter. The Government is working assiduously to liberalise the telecommunications sector before the end of 2018.

1.139 The Smart Guyana programme will begin its implementation in phases. The financing for the first phase, the National Broadband Project, which seeks to enable access to high-quality ICT, training and eservices, is anticipated to be approved and be available by the end of 2018. Preparatory works – such as on the required data centre, compiling specifications and mobilisation of the contractor, Huawei – have commenced. In addition, interventions to improve access to ICT in the hinterland are anticipated to commence in the second half of 2018, following the finalisation of project implementation arrangements. This intervention will include the establishment of additional ICT hubs, provision of electronic access to public services, training, promotion of local content and the revision of existing policies.

3.140 To support the development of a digital economy and a tech-savvy populace, the Centre of Excellence in Information Technology is expected to accept its first batch of 50

students in August having just received the last shipment of equipment to outfit the Centre. The Centre for Development of Advance Computing has been contracted by the Government of India to provide training, in the second half, for public servants in information technology and to select and train master trainers for six months in India.

# k. Security

3.141 In light of the events that the public security sector faced, in 2017, the Government budgeted \$30.7 billion to support capital and recurrent projects and programmes. Of that amount, \$14 billion was expended, at the half year.

3.142 The modernisation of the Prison Service, which is operating below its full rank complement, is one of several front burner initiatives in the sector. Yet, only \$21 million of the budgeted \$1.5 billion was expended on improving the Service's infrastructure, during the first half of the year. Unfortunately, construction works at the Mazaruni prison were delayed, due to overtopping of the Mazaruni River, which affected timely mobilisation by the contractor. Works are anticipated to intensify throughout the second half and into 2019. The Government is proceeding to finalise the design for the new prison, at Georgetown, with the tender process anticipated to be undertaken and completed before year end. Both initiatives are critical to relieving prison overcrowding, especially at the Lusignan Prison, where the holding area houses over 450 inmates daily. Procurement of surveillance and other equipment will continue in the second half; a sum of \$155 million has been budgeted for this activity in 2018.

3.143 Upgrading initiatives are ongoing also in the Guyana Police Force (GPF). Over the course of the half year, the Force completed the procurement process for the remodeling of six police stations, with works anticipated to commence in the second half. In addition, contracts for rehabilitation works for the New Amsterdam, Lethem and Springlands stations were awarded; the works are expected to be substantially completed by the end of the year. Works on the Cove and John, Matthew's Ridge and Parfaite Harmony stations are expected to commence. Additionally, of the budgeted

\$200 million allocated for the procurement of equipment for the GPF, \$118 million was expended at the half year, on procuring communications-related and ballistics equipment, among others.

3.144 The Police Force has reported a reduction of serious crimes by 11 percent at the end of June, 2018, when compared to the similar period, in 2017. This was due to the expansion of patrols in key areas, primarily in the riverrain and interior locations. To help to improve the response time to reported crimes, a contract was signed for the provision of additional vehicles to various police stations across the country which will complement those received from the Government of the People's Republic of China, in 2017.

3.145 Crime prevention measures also continued to be implemented, in the first half of 2018, with over 100 youths completing training in areas that promote sustainable livelihoods, such as cosmetology and data operation. Another 390 youths are currently undergoing training. At the same time, training of inmates is critical in providing them with the necessary skills for positive re-integration into society and to reduce the rate of recidivism. During the first half of 2018, a total of 542 prisoners received rehabilitative training in areas, including agriculture, culinary arts, anger management and literacy; an additional 838 inmates are expected to undergo training in the second half.

3.146 The Guyana Fire Service is slated to receive its first fire boat, as part of a package of interventions to improve the capacity to respond to fires, both on waterways and land. To expand service coverage, works on the Melanie Damishana and Onverwagt fire stations continued, in the first half, and are scheduled to be completed by the end of 2018. Further, the tender for the construction of the fire station at Mabaruma was awarded. It is expected to be completed by year-end.

# l. Public Administration and Public Financial Management

3.147 The Government has begun the process for undertaking the next Public Expenditure and Financial Accountability (PEFA) Assessment, which is regarded as the hallmark for assessing public financial management (PFM). While the existing PEFA Action Plan continues to be implemented, the next assessment will be conducted in 2019 and will feed into the development of a new PEFA Action Plan.

3.148 While public investments are captured in the PEFA Assessment, the more specific Public Investment Management Assessment (PIMA), which was completed in 2017, serves as the backbone for systemic reforms to the way Government undertakes capital investments. Having successfully developed a draft PIMA Action Plan that seeks to address the areas of deficiency within the Public Sector Investment Programme (PSIP), preliminary work on overhauling public investment management has begun. For Budget 2019, the Government has instituted a pre-appraisal mechanism that allows for proposed new investments to be screened for vital markers such as readiness, strategic alignment, articulation of intended outcomes and impacts and adequate justifications. The intention is to ensure that Budget Agencies are undertaking the required conceptual processes when developing future interventions, so that investments, going forward, are well thought-out. This would reduce implementation delays and maximise value for money and social outcomes for Guyanese.

3.149 Another key area, where significant work is ongoing, is procurement. The terms of reference for training on procurement planning has been completed and training is anticipated to commence, in the second half of 2018. The National Procurement and Tender Administration will partner with the Public Procurement Commission (PPC) to strengthen the regulatory framework for procurement. The drafting of recommendations, stemming from this exercise, is expected to be completed by end-2018, and will include a requirement that all suppliers must be registered on the suppliers' register. Further, draft debarment procedures have been submitted to the PPC for review and operationalisation. Also, the central list of evaluators will continue to

undergo upgrading. All of these initiatives will serve to improve the efficiency of public procurement and reinforce the concept of value for money.

3.150 In an effort to improve the supporting foundation for government operations, the Government continues to engage technical expertise to guide the formulation of a roadmap for the implementation of the Treasury Single Account, as well as the adoption of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards and the review of the government chart of accounts. In concert, work on the National Payments System, such as procurement of key components, including the ICT infrastructure, will be advanced.

3.151 To support PFM reform, an IFMIS (Integrated Financial Management Information System) Committee has been set up and tasked with oversight and leadership of the process. The Committee is attempting to coordinate the ICT solutions necessary to move Government PFM operations into 21st century PFM/IFMIS best practices. In addition, to reinforce a results-based management framework into the process, the annual training in key concepts of monitoring and evaluation will take place, in the second half of 2018, for Budget Agencies.

#### **Economic and Fiscal Risks and Proposed Policy Responses** 4.

- There are a number of downside economic and fiscal risks to the economy, both 4.1 domestic and external, which can frustrate the achievement of the various revised targets.
- Higher than expected levels of rainfall and the impact of climate change 4.2 continue to threaten economic activity across several sectors within the economy – sugar, rice, forestry, mining and construction, among others – which could constrain the overall growth performance for the year. Within the central government, two mitigating factors are the increased expenditure that has been provided for drainage and irrigation; and the reversion of the construction and maintenance of several interior roads that service the mining and forestry industries to the Ministry of Public Infrastructure.
- **Sugar production** continues to be impacted negatively by a sub-optimal mix of 4.3 factors, including less predictable weather, inadequate turnout of harvesters, deficient cash flow alignment and the undue absence of a board to oversee the management of the remaining estates. The SPU will need to accelerate efforts to divest/diversify the closed estates in order to provide a much-needed injection of cash to facilitate retooling and the continued operations of the restructured GuySuCo, under a soon to be named Board. If this does not materialise quickly, there is a real danger of GuySuCo renewing its reliance on the Treasury beyond the sum budgeted in 2018.
- The pace of implementation of the PSIP improved from 23.6 percent, on 4.4 average, to 31.8 percent at the half year, 2018. However, several constraining factors continue to stymie further progress, including: the issue of inadequate leadership across several key sectors, which is further complicated by a limited pool of evaluators and qualified contractors; the absence of procurement planning; and the inability to attract qualified engineering and procurement specialists at the prevailing salaries. Cabinet is in the process of addressing the weak management across Budget Agencies. Having

undertaken the PIMA, an action plan has been drafted and implementation of project appraisal systems is anticipated to improve the pace of implementation in future years.

- As always, the maintenance of a sustainable debt position continues to 4.5 underpin the fiscal deficit anchor. However, Guyana's improved economic position and outlook has implied fewer loans at highly concessional rates. As such, prudence in borrowing cannot be over-emphasised and new loans must be applied strictly to bankable projects. Guyana has continued to engage its bilateral and Paris Club group of creditors and will continue to do so, going forward, as the Government works on the development of an annual borrowing plan.
- **National sovereignty** remains at the forefront of the Government's foreign 4.6 policy agenda. The border controversy, while currently at the highest-level of judicial review, remains an impediment to greater foreign direct investment. The Government was pleased to receive the decision of the Secretary General of the United Nations to refer the matter to the International Court of Justice. Legal work is ongoing towards a favourable outcome. In addition, a potential humanitarian situation arising from the entry of neighbouring citizens of Venezuela, may require additional fiscal outlays as the Government considers a more structured approach to addressing a potential crisis situation.
- Weak institutions within government continue to hamper the quality and 4.7 delivery of government programmes. Institutional strengthening has been identified as a priority for Budget Agencies to accelerate across all sectors.
- Data quality, availability and timeliness continue to be an issue of concern, 4.8 serving to hamper the ability of Heads of Budget Agencies and policy makers from making effective and evidence-based decisions in securing value for money and performance-targeting. Strengthening data and related systems to support effective monitoring and evaluation frameworks remains a high priority for the public sector. Work is ongoing across Budget Agencies and the Bureau of Statistics to that end.

- Credit growth has accelerated in the second quarter of the year, driven by 4.9 lending for business enterprises and real estate. However, many financial institutions still have a high proportion of **non-performing loans** in their total loan portfolio. The recent amendments to the Bank of Guyana Act, once implemented, will to help to strengthen the supervision and management of the financial sector, and prevent further deterioration in the loan portfolio.
- **Commodity prices** for Guyana's major traded goods are expected to remain 4.10 favourable for the rest of the year. However, oil prices continue to gain momentum and, given the country's heavy reliance on oil to meet energy needs, threaten to upset gains made in other productive sectors.

#### **Conclusion** 5.

- The Government has made gains on putting its macroeconomic and development 5.1 agenda on a strong foundation. The initiatives taken during the first half - and which will be accelerated during the second half of 2018 - brought greater clarity to the Government's priorities, with emphasis on spending on growth-enhancing opportunities such as construction. Notwithstanding the constraints and risks that beset the country, overall performance of the economy improved, significantly, compared to the same period last year. Higher positive growth of 4.5 percent was achieved at the half year, and the prospects for the fiscal year are positive and encouraging.
- The revised growth target for 2018 is 3.7 percent, 1.6 percentage points above 5.2 that achieved in 2017. This is anticipated to be driven by improvements in agriculture (except sugar), construction, wholesale and retail trade, and other service activities. The non-financial public sector deficit is expected to improve due to higher revenue collections, notwithstanding the significant portion attributed to arrears collections and lower grant receipts. However, expenditure pressures continue to be faced, especially as the restructuring of the sugar industry advances.
- Diversification and institutional strengthening continue to be pursued even as 5.3 the Government ramps up the capacity-building needs, especially in relation to oil and gas, and complemented by ongoing institutional engagements with the private sector within the manufacturing and services industries. The key to Guyana's development must not be seen, only, in its great natural resources wealth. Rather it must lie in the ability to harness the strengths of its people, who employ technology and innovation to turn the rich natural resources into a bountiful harvest of growth and development. The Good life for all Guyanese continues to be the enduring focus of this administration.



# **APPENDICES**

# APPENDIX A1

## MID-YEAR REAL GDP GROWTH RATES BY SECTOR

	2017	2018	2018	201	7	2018
Item	Revised	Budget	Proj	HZ	7	HY
Agriculture, Fishing and Forestry	-0.04	<b>-0.</b> 7	1.5		2.6	3.4
Sugar	-25.2	-24.0	-32.3	-1	2.4	-30.6
Rice	17.9	2.5	1.7	2	9.6	-3.8
Other Crops	2.4	2.3	2.3		2.8	0.8
Livestock	-2.8	2.0	20.5		3.9	29.1
Fishing	1.0	2.3	3.0		<b>5.</b> 7	5.6
Forestry	4.9	7.9	8.0	-2	21.3	18.1
Mining and Quarrying	-8.8	5.0	-6.3		6.6	-0.4
Bauxite	-0.1	23.3	29.9		2.0	33.6
Gold	-8.3	3.3	-14.1		-1.7	-9.1
Other	-17.6	3.8	17.5		7.0	31.2
Manufacturing	4.2	0.1	-0.6		9.8	-2.4
Sugar	-25.2	-24.0	-32.3	-1	2.4	-30.6
Rice	17.9	2.5	1.7	2	9.4	-3.7
Other Manufacturing	3.1	2.4	2.4		3.0	1.2
Electricity and Mater	4.0				2.0	0.0
Electricity and Water Construction	4.8	5.1	2.9		3.9	0.8
Wholesale and Retail Trade	11.4	15.0	11.0		<b>5</b> ⋅ <b>5</b>	13.4
	8.7	1.1	13.7		5.2	17.4 1.8
Transportation and Storage Information and Communication	3.9	5.3	5·3 2.6		3.4	
Financial and Insurance Activities	2.3	3.0			2,2	3.4
Public Administration	-2.0	4.7	3.2		1.6	3.5
Education	1.3 2.0	1.3 2.4	1.3 2.4		5·4 6.4	6.3 6.5
Health and Social Services	2.5	2.4	2.4		6.8	6.8
Real Estate Activities	3.5	4.0	3.3		2.8	3.5
Other Service Activities	3.5	3.4	9.2		<b>1.</b> 7	18.5
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TOTAL	2.1	3.8	<b>3.</b> 7		2.5	4.5
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Non-Sugar Growth Rate (%)	3.0	4.6	4.5		2.9	5.2

Figures: Percent Source: Bureau of Statistics

## APPENDIX A2

## MID-YEAR REAL SECTOR SHARE OF GDP

Item	2015	2016	2017
	HY	HY	HY
Agriculture, Fishing and Forestry	19.3	16.7	16.7
Sugar	2.6	1.8	1.5
Rice	4.3	3.1	3.9
Other Crops	5.0	5.0	5.0
Livestock	3.0	2.7	2.5
Fishing	2.0	2.2	2.3
Forestry	2.3	1.9	1.5
Mining and Quarrying	9.1	15.3	14.0
Bauxite	1.4	1.4	1.2
Gold	6.0	11.5	11.0
Other	1.6	2.4	1.7
Manufacturing	7.6	6.5	7.0
Sugar	0.7	0.5	0.4
Rice	2.7	2.0	2.5
Other Manufacturing	4.2	4.1	4.1
Electricity and Water	1.7	1.8	1.8
Construction	8.8	8.7	8.9
Wholesale and Retail Trade	14.0	12.2	12.5
Transportation and Storage	11.5	11.5	11.6
Information and Communication	<b>7.3</b>	7 <b>.2</b>	7 <b>.2</b>
Financial and Insurance Activities	<b>4.</b> 7	4.8	4.6
Public Administration	7.4	<b>6.</b> 7	6.8
Education	1.8	<b>1.</b> 7	<b>1.</b> 7
Health and Social Services	2.0	1.8	1.9
Real Estate Activities	1.2	1.2	1.2
Other Service Activities	<b>3.</b> 7	3.9	3.9
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0

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#### APPENDIX B

# MID-YEAR BALANCE OF PAYMENTS ANALYTICAL SUMMARY

	ІТЕМ	2017 ACTUAL	2018 BUDGET	2017 H1	2018 H1	2018 Revised
A	Current Account	(287.4)	(292.6)	(79.2)	(194.1)	(366.3)
1.0	Merchandise (Net)	(196.2)	(226.2)	(112.2)	(218.0)	(253.7)
	1.1 Exports (f.o.b.)	1,435.9	1,450.3	677.5	709.4	1,485.2
	1.1.1 Bauxite	102.3	90.7	50.7	65.6	115.0
	1.1.2 Sugar	48.5	<i>39.7</i>	19.8	10.3	18.0
	1.1.3 Rice	201.0	176.9	77.2	111.1	220.0
	1.1.4 Gold	817.5	852.0	388.8	369.7	852.0
	1.1.5 Timber	35.8	41.6	17.4	17.6	41.6
	1.1.6 Other	219.6	235.4	117.6	130.6	227.1
	1.1.7 Re - exports	11.2	14.1	6.1	4.5	11.5
	1.2 Imports (c.i.f.)	(1,632.1)	(1,676.5)	(789.7)		(1,738.9)
	1.2.1 Fuel & Lubricants	(394.5)	(388.5)	(182.4)		(459.5)
	1.2.2 Other	(1,237.6)	(1,287.9)	(607.3)	(688.5)	(1,279.4)
2.0	Services (Net)	(372.8)	(358.1)	(138.9)		(391.3)
	2.1 Factor	(11.5)	(8.5)	(31.9)		(66.0)
	2.2 Non Factor (Net)	(361.4)	(349.6)	(107.0)	(142.0)	(325.3)
3.0	Transfers 3.1 Official	281.7	291.7	171.9	194.8	278.8
	3.2 Private	281.7	291.7	171.9	194.8	278.8
В	Capital Account	228.0	212.9	55.0	71.8	184.14
1.0	Capital Transfers	23.2	18.6	7-7	8.9	18.6
2.0	Medium and Long Term Capital (Net)	203.2	228.5	80.6	74.5	199.1
	2.1 Non - Financial Public Sector Capital (Net)	43.9	33.0	12.2	(0.8)	35.5
	2.1.1 Disbursements	84.1	92.6	31.6	27.0	92.6
	2.1.2 Amortisation	(40.2)	(59.6)	(19.5)	(27.8)	(57.1)
	2.1.3 Other	-	-	-	-	-
	2.2 Private Sector (Net)	159.3	195.5	68.4	75.4	163.6
3.0	Short Term Capital	1.6	(34.2)	(33.3)	(11.7)	(33.5)
C	Errors and Omissions	(10.2)	0.0	(21.7)	(17.52)	0.0
D	OVERALL BALANCE	(69.5)	(79.7)	(46.0)	(139.8)	(182.1)
E	Financing	69.5	79.7	46.0	139.8	182.1
1.0	Bank of Guyana net foreign assets	12.1	6.5	18.3	110.6	108.9
2.0	Change in Non-Financial Public Sector Arrears	-	-	-	-	-
3.0	Exceptional Financing	57.4	73.2	27.7	29.2	73.2
	3.1 Debt Relief 3.2 Balance of Payments Support	1.9	17.7	1.0	0.6	17.7
	3.3 Debt Forgiveness	55.6	55.5	26.7	28.6	55.5
	3.4 Debt Stock Restructuring	-	-	-	-	33.3

#### APPENDIX C

#### MID-YEAR MONETARY SURVEY

	2017 December
1.0 Total Money & Quasi Money	367,214.3
1.1 Money <sup>1</sup>	157,321.9
1.1.1 Currency	92,150.2
1.1.2 Demand Deposits <sup>2</sup>	57,199.9
1.1.3 Cashiers' Cheques & Acceptances	7,971.7
1.2 Quasi Money	209,892.4
1.2.1 Time Deposits <sup>2</sup>	23,342.8
1.2.2 Savings Deposits <sup>2</sup>	186,549.6
2.0 Domestic Credit (Net)	219,276.2
2.1 Public Sector (Net)	28,110.8
2.1.1 Central Gov't (Net)	79,595.1
2.1.2 Public Enterprises (Net)	(24,963.1)
2.1.3 Other Public Sector (Net)	(26,521.2)
2.2 Private Sector Credit Balance <sup>3</sup>	224,191.8
2.2.1 Agriculture	11,358.6
2.2.2 Mining & Quarrying	5,347.6
2.2.3 Manufacturing	24,521.6
2.2.4 Services	65,873.6
2.2.5 Households <sup>4</sup>	30,409.0
2.2.6 Credit Card Amount <sup>4</sup>	3,097.8
2.2.7 Real Estate Mortgage Loans	77,894.1
2.2.8 Other	5,689.5
2.3 Financial Institutions (Net)	(33,026.4)
3.0 Foreign Assets (Net)	176,990.5
3.1 Assets	199,178.6
3.2 Liabilities	(22,188.1)
4.0 Other Items (Net)	(29,052.4)

2017 HY	2018 HY
346,339.6	372,598.8
139,888.0	155,299.5
80,771.9	89,854.0
55,127.2	60,335.3
3,989.0	5,110.2
206,451.5	217,299.3
22,771.8	24,193.2
183,679.7	193,106.1
190,208.7	236,760.5
4,241.5	44,820.4
66,634.0	98,684.8
(34,066.6)	(24,561.5)
(28,325.9)	(29,302.8)
216,906.8	225,846.6
10,014.0	13,422.6
4,230.9	4,910.3
27,591.9	26,007.6
61,809.9	65,758.4
28,345.6	28,223.3
2,946.4	3,048.9
76,111.2	79,944.9
5,857.0	4,530.5
(30,939.6)	(33,906.5)
177,985.2	158,074.7
196,169.5	180,243.6
(18,184.3)	(22,168.9)
(21,854.4)	(22,236.4)

NB. Figures may not add to totals due to rounding.

#### Notes:

- 1) Narrow Money is further disaggregated to show Cashiers' Cheques & Acceptances.
- 2) Deposits in this table, refer to Private Sector Deposits.
- 3) Private Sector Credit categories were aggregated to reflect the economic sectors in the Real Sector.
- 4) The Credit Card Amount was excluded from the Household/Personal Loans figure and shown as a separate amount.

### **APPENDIX D**

## MID-YEAR CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

	2017
	Dec.
ALL ITEMS	115.2
FOOD	134.4
CLOTHING	95.7
FOOTWEAR AND REPAIRS	94.3
HOUSING	99.3
FURNITURE	91.9
TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATION	118.0
MEDICAL & PERSONAL CARE	126.9
EDUCATION, RECREATION, CULTURE	97.7
MISC. GOODS & SERVICES	119.8

2017	2018
June	June
114.7	116.2
133.7	135.9
95.1	97.2
94.0	87.9
98.9	100.1
91.8	90.8
117.2	120.2
126.2	126.7
97.7	96.6
120.0	119.7

#### MID-YEAR CENTRAL GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

	2017 ACTUAL	2018 BUDGET	2017 HY	2018 HY	2018 REVISED
Total Revenue	194,705.5	201,866.9	97,165.9	109,184.9	216,040.6
Revenue	194,688.5	201,859.9	97,152.1	109,184.9	216,033.6
Tax	171,150.0	181,370.9	85,813.4	100,618.3	195,880.6
Income taxes	67,747.6	71,646.2	36,065.4	41,362.8	77,377.9
Value-Added and Excise taxes	76,019.2	81,569.9	36,413.2	42,538.4	88,095.5
Trade taxes	18,496.8	19,291.1	7,919.2	9,864.1	20,913.0
Other	8,886.4	8,863.8	5,415.6	6,853.0	9,494.3
Non-tax	23,538.5	20,489.0	11,338.7	8,566.6	20,153.0
Private sector	8,287.3	8,289.0	3,787.5	4,834.3	8,320.7
Public enterprise & BOG	15,251.2	12,200.0	7,551.2	3,732.3	11,832.3
Total expenditure	240,116.5	256,798.6	97,259.2	111,822.5	263,509.6
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Current expenditure  Non-interest expenditure 1	181,399.9	197,096.2	81,444.1	92,847.9	203,807.2
Personal emoluments	173,373.3	188,379.5	77,488.4	88,483.0	195,123.6
Other goods and services	54,444.2 49,236.0	58,952.4 52,685.2	25,239.3 16,903.0	27,624.9 19,769.0	58,958.8 53,473.3
Transfer Payments	69,693.2	76,741.9	35,346.1	41,089.2	53,4/3.3 <b>82,691.6</b>
Interest	8,026.6	8,716.7	3,955.7	4,364.9	8,683.6
External	6,056.3	7,294.5	2,988.9	3,602.0	7,204.2
Domestic	1,970.3	1,422.2	966.8	762.9	1,479.4
Primary balance	21,315.2	13,480.4	19,663.7	20,701.9	20,910.0
Current balance	13,288.6	4,763.8	15,708.0	16,337.0	12,226.4
Capital Revenue	17.0	7.0	13.8	-	7.0
Capital Expenditure	58,716.6	59,702.4	15,815.1	18,974.6	59,702.4
Overall Balance before Grants	(45,411.0)	(54,931.7)	(93.3)	(2,637.6)	(47,469.0)
Grants	12,181.8	11,684.8	8,352.8	5,725.5	12,420.1
HIPC Relief Original	1,705.6	2,457.7	1,224.0	1,964.2	3,193.0
Enhanced	963.3	973.0	481.7	479.5	966.0
CMCF	742.3	1,484.7	742.3	1,484.7	2,227.0
MDRI	-	-	-	-	_,,
Other	10,476.2	9,227.1	7,128.8	3,761.3	9,227.1
Projects	4,902.5	6,221.0	1,637.4	1,861.1	6,221.0
Non-projects	5,573.7	3,006.1	5,491.4	1,900.2	3,006.1
Overall Balance after Grants	(33,229.2)	(43,246.8)	8,259.5	3,087.9	(35,048.9)
Financing	33,229.2	43,246.8	(8,259.5)	(3,087.9)	35,048.9
Net External Borrowing	8,740.1	9,211.2	990.0	(585.5)	9,308.6
Disbursments of Loans	17,286.1	21,103.3	4,933.9	5,047.0	21,103.3
Debt Repayments	8,930.8	12,122.9	4,153.7	5,767.3	12,024.5
Danila Jalia	384.8	230.8	209.8	134.8	229.8
Rescheduling		-	-		
Guysuco - Escrow A/C	_ [	_	_ !		
Guysuco - Escrow A/C Overseas Deposit	24 480 1	- 24 025 6	(0.240.5)	(2 502 4)	25 740 2
Guysuco - Escrow A/C	24,489.1	34,035.6	(9,249.5)	(2,502.4)	25,740.3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Audited Actual 2017 expenditure

Figures: G\$m Source: Ministry of Finance

#### MID-YEAR FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF THE NON - FINANCIAL PUBLIC SECTOR

ITEM	2017 ACTUAL	2018 BUDGET	2017 HY	2018 HY	2018 REVISED
Non-Financial Public Sector Revenues	189,298.6	207,697.4	95,731.7	103,118.1	205,835.7
Central Government	194,705.5	201,866.9	97,165.9	109,184.9	216,033.6
Public Enterprises	(5,406.9)	5,830.5	(1,434.2)	(6,066.8)	(10,197.8)
Total Expenditure	247,666.2	266,405.4	100,869.0	108,812.4	269,821.3
Current Expenditure	181,399.9	190,796.2	81,444.1	86,547.9	197,507.2
Non-Interest Expenditure	173,373.3	182,079.5	77,488.4	82,183.0	188,823.6
Personal Emoluments	54,444.2	58,952.4	25,239.3	27,624.9	58,958.8
Other Goods and Services	49,236.0	52,685.2	16,903.0	19,769.0	53,473.3
Transfer Payments	69,693.2	70,441.9	35,346.1	34,789.2	76,391.6
Transfers to the Private Sector Transfers to the public sector	69,693.2	70,441.9	35,346.1	34,789.2	76,391.6
Interest	8,026.6	8,716.7	3,955.7	4,364.9	8,683.6
External	6,056.3	7,294.5	2,988.9	3,602.0	7,204.2
Domestic	1,970.3	1,422.2	966.8	762.9	1,479.4
Current Balance	7,898.6	16,901.2	14,287.6	16,570.1	8,328.6
Capital Expenditure	66,266.2	75,609.2	19,424.9	22,264.4	72,314.1
Central Government	58,716.6	59,702.4	15,815.1	18,974.6	59,702.4
Public Enterprises	7,549.6	15,906.8	3,609.8	3,289.8	12,611.7
Overall Balance before Grants	(58,367.6)	(58,708.0)	(5,137.3)	(5,694.3)	(63,978.5)
Grants	12,181.8	11,684.8	8,352.8	5,725.5	12,420.1
HIPC Relief	1,705.6	2,457.7	1,224.0	1,964.2	3,193.0
Other	10,476.2	9,227.1	7,128.8	3,761.3	9,227.1
Overall Balance after Grants	(46,185.8)	(47,023.2)	3,215.5	31.2	(51,558.4)
Financing	46,185.8	47,023.2	(3,215.5)	(31.2)	51,558.4
Net External Borrowing	10,329.5	11,411.2	1,425.1	(526.0)	10,565.9
Net Domestic Borrowing Net Divestment Proceeds	35,856.3 -	35,612.0	(4,640.6)	494.8	40,992.5 -

## PUBLIC ENTERPRISES CASH FLOW

	CASH FLOW							
ITEM	2017 ACTUAL	2018 BUDGET	2017 H1	2018 H1		2018 REVISED		
Receipts	110,423.1	123,492.2	54,245.1	55,591.6		119,530.0		
Enterprises	89,351.0	100,365.9	43,954.0			97,139.3		
NIS .	21,072.1	23,126.3	10,291.1			22,390.7		
Contributions	19,911.0	21,766.4	9,924.6			21,286.4		
Investment Income	1,161.2	1,359.9	366.5			1,104.3		
Total Expenditure	123,379.6	133,568.5	59,289.2	64,948.3		142,339.5		
Total non-interest expenditure	114,641.2	116,544.7	55,040.0	61,117.8		128,664.2		
Non-financial public enterprise	90,079.7	89,699.4	43,361.8	48,785.8		102,755.3		
Wages and Salaries	23,753.0	20,152.5	11,165.5	10,460.8		23,861.0		
Goods and Services	66,128.5	69,323.4	32,047.8	38,251.4		78,627.3		
Local taxes	198.2	223.5	148.5	73.6		267.0		
The NIS	21,248.0	23,541.1	10,021.1	11,530.3		23,461.0		
Taxes to Central Government	2,113.5	2,104.2	1,657.1	801.7		1,248.0		
Dividends and transfers	1,200.0	1,200.0	-	-		1,200.0		
Primary surplus or deficit (-)	(4,218.1)	6,947.5	(794.9	(5,526.2)		(9,134.2)		
Interest	1,188.8	1,117.0	639.3	540.6		1,063.6		
External	45.0	-	45.0	-		-		
Domestic	1,143.8	1,117.0	594.3	540.6		1,063.6		
Current surplus or deficit (-)	(5,406.9)	5,830.5	(1,434.2	(6,066.8)		(10,197.8)		
Capital expenditure	7,549.6	15,906.8	3,609.8	3,289.8		12,611.7		
Enterprises	7,478.2	15,839.8	3,592.4	3,289.3		12,544.7		
NIS	71.4	67.0	17.4	0.5		67.0		
less Government transfers								
Overall surplus or deficit before special transfers(-)	(12,956.6)	(10,076.3)	(5,044.1	(9,356.7)		(22,809.5)		
Special transfers	-	-	-	-		-		
Overall surplus or deficit after special transfers	(12,956.6)	(10,076.3)	(5,044.1	(9,356.7)		(22,809.5)		
Financing	12,956.6	10,076.3	5,044.1	9,356.7		22,809.5		
External	1,589.4	2,200.0	435.1	59.5		1,257.3		
Domestic	11,367.2	7,876.3	4,609.0	9,297.2		21,552.2		
Divestment proceeds	-	-	-	-		-		

## MID-YEAR CENTRAL GOVERNMENT ABSTRACT OF NON-INTEREST CURRENT EXPENDITURE BY CHART OF ACCOUNT

Acct Cod	Chart of Account	2017 Actual	2018 Budget	ſ	HY 2017	HY 2018	2018 Revised
	tatutory Expenditure	4,370,845,802	4,706,655,000	f	2,168,531,803	2,392,226,101	4,706,655
01	Total Statutory Employment Expenditure	4,252,541,802	4,474,655,000	Ī	2,129,629,803	2,346,615,186	4,474,655
011	Statutory Wages and Salaries	33,981,727	38,263,000	f	20,634,056	12,541,340	38,26
012	Statutory Benefits and Allowances	6,186,757	6,392,000			1,532,012	6,39
013	Statutory Pensions and Gratuities		4,430,000,000		3,247,531		4,430,00
01,5	Suratory 1 cholono and Oracando	4,212,373,318	4,430,000,000	F	2,105,748,216	2,332,541,834	4,430,00
02	Statutory Payment to Dependents Pension Funds	118,304,000	232,000,000		38,902,000	45,610,915	232,000
021	Statutory Payments to Dependents Pension Funds	118,304,000	232,000,000		38,902,000	45,610,915	232,00
otal A	ppropriation Expenditure	169,002,497,050	183,672,866,000	-	75,319,847,502	86,090,792,703	190,416,914
01 To	tal Employment Costs	55,092,782,212	59,638,469,000		25,566,492,745	27,991,009,553	59,638,468
11 To	tal Wages and Salaries	41,429,038,969	44,336,169,000		21,163,482,528	23,251,116,919	44,296,71
111	Administrative	5,822,095,919	6,307,438,000		2,887,457,645	3,228,738,553	6,338,58
112	Senior Technical	7,896,427,895	8,807,537,000		4,101,168,436	4,759,421,311	8,851,00
113	Other Technical and Craft Skilled	5,416,495,054	5,929,168,000		2,742,862,724	3,194,887,326	5,953,74
114	Clerical and Office Support	5,902,608,350	6,630,271,000		3,101,475,823	3,704,698,547	6,642,22
115	Semi-Skilled Operatives and Unskilled	4,978,928,910	5,247,241,000		2,430,663,656	2,815,094,795	5,277,53
116	Contracted Employees	10,807,943,460	10,601,844,000		5,629,074,810	4,984,334,489	10,336,92
117	Temporary Employees	604,539,381	812,670,000		270,779,434	563,941,898	896,68
13 (	Overhead Expenditure	7,635,445,747	9,059,750,000		4,392,388,262	4,739,892,634	9,099,20
31	Other Direct Labour Costs	912,719,308	909,091,000		447,502,854	520,111,224	917,47
32	Incentives	10,000,000	12,000,000		5,000,000	-	12,00
33	Benefits and Allowances	3,634,943,571	4,551,340,000		2,346,874,266	2,399,197,471	4,575,36
34	National Insurance	2,388,983,347	2,856,581,000		1,241,958,273	1,440,399,342	2,869,99
35	Pensions	688,799,521	730,738,000		351,052,869	380,184,597	724,35
14	Other Employment Costs	6,028,297,496	6,242,550,000		10,621,955	-	6,242,550
141	Other Employment Costs	6,028,297,496	6,242,550,000		10,621,955	-	6,242,55
20	Total Other Charges	113,909,714,838	124,034,397,000		49,753,354,757	58,099,783,150	130,778,445
21	Expenses Specific to the Agency	391,008,477	479,658,000		176,746,571	178,362,871	479,658
211	Expenses Specific to the Agency	391,008,477	479,658,000		176,746,571	178,362,871	479,65
22	Materials, Equipment and Supplies	7,823,044,605	8,550,289,000		1,795,004,667	3,393,592,737	8,550,579
221	Drugs and Medical Supplies	4,086,685,049	4,496,696,000		618,218,224	2,284,441,851	4,496,69
222	Field Materials and Supplies	1,451,419,893	1,672,304,000		478,185,142	485,199,733	1,672,45
223	Office Materials and Supplies	819,488,618	835,926,000		315,146,947	267,615,892	835,92
224	Print and Non-Print Materials	1,465,451,045	1,545,363,000		383,454,354	356,335,261	1,545,50
23	Fuel and Lubricants	2,215,517,668	2,743,594,000		928,513,876	1,095,852,379	2,656,519
231	Fuel and Lubricants	2,215,517,668	2,743,594,000		928,513,876	1,095,852,379	2,656,5
24	Rental and Maintenance of Buildings	5,432,278,298	5,404,805,000	Ī	1,598,630,028	1,644,396,972	5,414,885
241	Rental of Buildings	1,288,187,303	1,339,361,000	Ī	603,068,487	679,319,468	1,349,44
242	Maintenance of Buildings	3,610,904,137	3,484,256,000		780,951,641	777,783,904	3,484,25
243	Janitorial and Cleaning Supplies	533,186,858	581,188,000		214,609,900	187,293,600	581,18
25	Maintenance of Infrastructure	5,633,247,094	6,056,439,000	ļ	1,966,722,864	2,261,287,664	6,183,413
251	Maintenance of Roads	1,964,907,982	2,273,300,000	ŀ	917,485,324	911,298,272	2,273,30
252	Maintenance of Bridges	409,077,818	416,930,000		108,214,709	82,345,250	416,93
	Maintenance of Drainage and Irrigation Works	1,158,240,644	1,070,350,000			510,009,867	
253	Maintenance of Sea and River Defences				371,300,759		1,157,32
254		394,439,652	474,600,000		150,939,875	201,112,928	474,60
255	Maintenance of Other Infrastructure	1,706,580,998	1,821,259,000		418,782,197	556,521,347	1,861,25

## MID-YEAR CENTRAL GOVERNMENT ABSTRACT OF NON-INTEREST CURRENT EXPENDITURE BY CHART OF ACCOUNT

626	Transport, Travel & postage	5,382,977,489	5,233,600,000
6261	Local Travel and Subsistence	2,182,183,850	2,154,228,000
6262	Overseas Conferences and Official Visits	330,408,454	337,000,000
6263	Postage, Telex and Cablegrams	76,040,491	86,252,000
6264	Vehicle Spares and Service	1,369,039,435	1,343,112,000
6265	Other Transport, Travel and Postage	1,425,305,259	1,313,008,000
627	Utility Charges	4,544,810,234	4,885,481,000
6271	Telephone Charges	626,768,733	688,315,000
6272	Electricity Charges	3,206,473,944	3,586,472,000
6273	Water Charges	711,567,557	610,694,000
628	Other Goods and Services Purchases	9,552,564,684	10,239,361,000
6281	Security Services	3,721,961,734	4,493,379,000
6282	Equipment Maintenance	1,265,661,000	1,350,825,000
6283	Cleaning and Extermination Services	480,337,697	487,417,000
6284	Other	4,084,604,253	3,907,740,000
629	Other Operational Expenses	8,260,547,607	9,091,990,000
6291	National and Other Events	876,518,859	911,414,000
6292	Dietary	4,237,552,151	5,236,649,000
6293	Refreshment and Meals	308,132,956	254,494,000
6294	Other	2,838,343,641	2,689,433,000
630	<b>Education Subvention and Training</b>	6,924,514,906	7,840,885,000
6301	Education Subventions and Grants	3,647,870,414	4,272,281,000
6302	Training (Including Scholarships)	3,276,644,492	3,568,604,000
631	Rates and Taxes and Subventions to Local Authorities	572,341,979	270,885,000
6311	Rates and Taxes	137,126,979	229,670,000
6312	Subventions to Local Authorities	435,215,000	41,215,000
632	Subsidies and Contributions to Local & Int'l Org	42,056,892,160	45,826,760,000
6321	Subsidies and Contributions to Local Organisations	34,324,515,627	37,098,228,000
6322	Subsidies and Contributions to International Organisations	1,722,314,241	1,297,675,000
6323	Constitutional Agencies	6,010,062,292	7,430,857,000
633	Refunds of Revenue	4,136,833	10,500,000
6331	Refunds of Revenue	4,136,833	10,500,000
634	Pensions	15,115,832,804	17,400,150,000
6341	Non-Pensionable Employees	192,674,254	250,000,000
6342	Pension Increases	2,888,096,100	3,310,650,000
6343	Old Age Pensions and Social Assistance	12,035,062,450	13,839,500,000
635	Other Public Debt	-	-
6351	Other Public Debt	-	-
Grand	l Total	173,373,342,852	188,379,521,000

2,102,986,705	2,007,100,350
847,102,797	852,692,512
144,140,872	136,781,845
26,213,363	26,378,807
515,630,222	551,505,765
569,899,451	439,741,421
1,641,196,341	1,805,705,348
247,280,014	287,610,393
1,138,707,150	1,246,383,075
255,209,177	271,711,880
3,555,560,074	3,932,242,606
1,445,848,725	1,932,160,220
438,010,713	569,493,650
170,484,299	171,399,750
1,501,216,337	1,259,188,986
3,137,584,429	3,450,414,860
261,897,471	399,980,905
1,576,110,986	2,002,092,460
96,078,016	105,116,116
1,203,497,956	943,225,379
2,477,422,505	3,022,066,712
1,561,380,503	1,940,985,577
916,042,002	1,081,081,135
119,387,321	129,328,102
105,493,598	114,710,432
13,893,723	14,617,670
22,730,573,574	26,982,855,696
18,418,757,729	22,750,191,524
1,485,170,029	1,059,933,511
2,826,645,816	3,172,730,661
4,066,833	4,796,457
4,066,833	4,796,457
7,518,958,969	8,191,780,396
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#### NON-INTEREST CURRENT EXPENDITURE BY AGENCY

Agency	2017 Actuals	2018 Budget	2017 HY	2018 HY
Ministry of the Presidency	4,702,179	7,648,694	1,875,728	3,151,875
Office of the Prime Minister	536,390	694,819	252,652	293,637
Ministry of Finance	21,786,179	23,865,614	7,199,148	7,695,460
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	5,022,074	5,089,440	3,055,379	2,847,236
Parliament Office	1,430,316	1,482,100	653,577	694,591
Audit Office of Guyana	722,068	766,357	352,182	378,509
Public and Police Service Commission	85,707	92,140	38,848	34,010
Teaching Service Commission	80,640	114,742	38,532	38,755
Guyana Elections Commission	1,626,969	2,739,910	804,305	822,604
Ministry of Indigenous Peoples' Affairs	931,831	1,036,686	264,675	349,535
Ministry of Agriculture	14,520,297	12,256,036	9,645,592	11,412,432
Ministry of Tourism	-	-	-	-
Ministry of Business	1,084,070	1,366,034	494,707	645,606
Ministry of Natural Resources	490,469	830,930	211,793	309,962
Ministry of Public Infrastructure	7,268,880	7,879,054	3,565,679	3,915,723
Ministry of Public Telecommunication	1,934,858	2,131,855	873,959	1,037,294
Ministry of Education	16,113,037	17,116,298	6,576,061	6,748,953
Ministry of Communities	1,970,741	1,764,334	957,348	817,405
Ministry of Public Health	19,343,850	20,947,496	7,707,275	9,252,772
Ministry of Social Protection	14,484,678	16,586,796	7,038,813	7,755,766
Ministry of Public Security	14,388,738	15,557,133	6,759,509	7,124,622
Ministry of Legal Affairs	545,995	867,095	139,380	285,565
Guyana Defence Force	11,152,187	11,512,948	5,288,095	5,656,610
Supreme Court	1,547,678	1,564,354	709,133	818,161

#### NON-INTEREST CURRENT EXPENDITURE BY AGENCY

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Agency Public Prosecutions	2017 Actuals 153,969	2018 Budget 160,290	2017 HY 76,571	2018 HY 77,387
Office of the Ombudsman	48,311	56,144	22,353	28,443
Public Service Appellate Tribunal	30,016	46,884	714	25,009
Ethnic Relations Commission	50,598	86,534	23,229	31,844
Judicial Service Commission	10,020	10,020	3,046	1,830
Rights Commissions of Guyana	113,397	141,596	47,954	51,436
Public Procurement Commission	110,373	169,786	56,200	169,786
Region 1: Barima / Waini	2,234,496	2,296,755	658,605	757,062
Region 2: Pomeroon / Supenaam	3,153,824	3,546,310	1,369,524	1,724,786
Region 3: Essequibo Islands / West Demerara	4,515,353	4,719,138	1,989,435	2,541,122
Region 4: Demerara / Mahaica	5,231,230	5,721,254	2,093,972	3,092,250
Region 5: Mahaica / Berbice	2,585,963	2,849,863	1,173,614	1,389,067
Region 6: East Berbice / Corentyne	5,535,877	5,918,360	2,078,445	2,941,263
Region 7: Cuyuni / Mazaruni	2,047,611	2,288,337	754,325	920,190
Region 8: Pataro / Siparuni	1,361,133	1,574,576	600,335	336,404
Region 9: Upper Takatu / Upper Essequibo	1,708,513	1,925,031	708,194	844,249
Region 10: Upper Demerara / Upper Berbice	2,712,827	2,957,778	1,329,493	1,463,809
GRAND TOTAL	173,373,343	188,379,522	77,488,379	88,483,019

APPENDIX E6  NON-INTEREST CURRENT EXPENDITURE BY SECTOR  Sector 2017 Actuals 2018 Budget 2017 HV 2018 HV													
Sector	2017 Actuals	2018 Budget	2017 HY	2018 HY									
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION SECTOR	36,924,352	43,530,502	14,535,026	16,306,211									
Ministry of the Presidency	4,702,179	7,648,694	1,875,728	3,151,875									
Office of the Prime Minister	536,390	694,819	252,652	293,637									
Ministry of Finance	21,786,179	23,865,614	7,199,148	7,695,460									
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	5,022,074	5,089,440	3,055,379	2,847,236									
Parliament Office	1,430,316	1,482,100	653,577	694,591									
Office of the Auditor General	722,068	766,357	352,182	378,509									
Public and Police Service Commission	85,707	92,140	38,848	34,010									
Teaching Service Commission	80,640	114,742	38,532	38,755									
Guyana Elections Commission	1,626,969	2,739,910	804,305	822,604									
Ministry of Indigenous Peoples' Affairs	931,831	1,036,686	264,675	349,535									
ECONOMIC SERVICES SECTOR	16,094,836	14,453,000	10,352,092	12,368,000									
Ministry of Agriculture	14,520,297	12,256,036	9,645,592	11,412,432									
Ministry of Tourism	-	-	-	-									
Ministry of Business	1,084,070	1,366,034	494,707	645,606									
Ministry of Natural Resources	490,469	830,930	211,793	309,962									
INFRASTRUCTURE SECTOR	9,203,738	10,010,909	4,439,638	4,953,018									
Ministry of Public Infrastructure	7,268,880	7,879,054	3,565,679	3,915,723									
Ministry of Public Telecommunication	1,934,858	2,131,855	873,959	1,037,294									
SOCIAL SERVICES SECTOR	51,912,306	56,414,924	22,279,497	24,574,896									
Ministry of Education	16,113,037	17,116,298	6,576,061	6,748,953									
Ministry of Housing & Water	-	-	-	-									
Ministry of Communities	1,970,741	1,764,334	957,348	817,405									
Ministry of Public Health	19,343,850	20,947,496	7,707,275	9,252,772									
Ministry of Social Protection	14,484,678	16,586,796	7,038,813	7,755,766									

Figures: G\$'000 Source: Ministry of Finance

NON-INTEREST CURRENT EXPENDITURE BY SECTOR												
Sector	2017 Actuals	2018 Budget	2017 HY	2018 HY								
PUBLIC SAFETY SECTOR	28,151,283	30,172,784	13,126,184	14,270,693								
Ministry of Public Security	14,388,738	15,557,133	6,759,509	7,124,622								
Ministry of Legal Affairs	545,995	867,095	139,380	285,565								
Guyana Defence Force	11,152,187	11,512,948	5,288,095	5,656,610								
Supreme Court	1,547,678	1,564,354	709,133	818,161								
Public Prosecutions	153,969	160,290	76,571	77,387								
Office of the Ombudsman	48,311	56,144	22,353	28,443								
Public Service Appellate Tribunal	30,016	46,884	714	25,009								
Ethnic Relations Commission	50,598	86,534	23,229	31,844								
Judicial Service Commission	10,020	10,020	3,046	1,830								
Rights Commissions of Guyana	113,397	141,596	47,954	51,436								
Public Procurement Commission	110,373	169,786	56,200	169,786								
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT SECTOR	31,086,827	33,797,402	12,755,942	16,010,202								
Region 1: Barima / Waini	2,234,496	2,296,755	658,605	757,062								
Region 2: Pomeroon / Supenaam	3,153,824	3,546,310	1,369,524	1,724,786								
Region 3: Essequibo Islands / West Demerara	4,515,353	4,719,138	1,989,435	2,541,122								
Region 4: Demerara / Mahaica	5,231,230	5,721,254	2,093,972	3,092,250								
Region 5: Mahaica / Berbice	2,585,963	2,849,863	1,173,614	1,389,067								
Region 6: East Berbice / Corentyne	5,535,877	5,918,360	2,078,445	2,941,263								
Region 7: Cuyuni / Mazaruni	2,047,611	2,288,337	754,325	920,190								
Region 8: Pataro / Siparuni	1,361,133	1,574,576	600,335	336,404								
Region 9: Upper Takatu / Upper Essequibo	1,708,513	1,925,031	708,194	844,249								
Region 10: Upper Demerara / Upper Berbice	- 2,712,827	2,957,778	1,329,493	1,463,809								
GRAND TOTAL	173,373,343	188,379,522	77,488,379	88,483,019								

## MID-YEAR GOVERNMENT SUMMARY OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY SECTOR AND TYPE OF FINANCING

	SECTOR AND SOURCE	2017 ACTUAL	2018 BUDGET
1.0	Agriculture	3,339.229	4,346.276
	1.1 Specific	1,112.365	1,990.000
	1.2 Non-Specific	2,226.864	2,356.276
3.0	Fishing	26.171	55.500
	3.1 Specific	0.000	0.000
	3.2 Non-Specific	26.171	55.500
5.0	Power Generation	3,441.002	3,012.663
	5.1 Specific	2,487.597	2,394.163
	5.2 Non-Specific	953.404	618.500
6.0	Manufacturing	619.885	458.750
	6.1 Specific	96.107	100.000
	6.2 Non-Specific	523.778	358.750
7 <b>.0</b>	Construction	26,450.707	22,060.775
	7.1 Specific	13,558.893	11,689.320
	7.2 Non-Specific	12,891.814	10,371.455
8.0	Transport & Communication	3,563.972	5,888.473
	8.1 Specific	0.000	3,953.323
	8.2 Non-Specific	3,563.972	1,935.150
9.0	Housing	234.552	405.800
	9.1 Specific	140.000	250.000
	9.2 Non-Specific	94.552	155.800
10.0	Environment and Pure Water	3,589.071	4,063.900
	10.1 Specific	1,430.000	2,830.000
	10.2 Non-Specific	2,159.071	1,233.900
11.0	Education	3,232.746	4,264.558
	11.1 Specific	833.769	1,250.000
	11.2 Non-Specific	2,398.977	3,014.558
12.0	Health	2,616.962	3,368.300
	12.1 Specific	425.966	690.000
	12.2 Non-Specific	2,190.996	2,678.300
13.0	Culture/Youth	685.239	878.673
	13.1 Specific	0.000	63.000
	13.2 Non-Specific	685.239	815.673
14.0	National Security and Defence	852.029	577.629
	14.1 Specific	0.000	41.600
	14.2 Non-Specific	852.029	536.029

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2017 H1	2018 H1
1,146.679	1,680.879
382.491	368.194
764.188	1,312.685
11.656	0.000
0.000	0.000
11.656	0.000
1,226.880	949.688
1,200.000	530.446
26.880	419.242
141.141	306.025
38.864	120.889
102.277	185.136
7,591.912	7,884.256
3,646.885	3,428.345
3,945.027	4,455.912
570.230	1,239.565
0.000	373.066
570.230	866.499
61.890	215.229
34.077	194.890
27.813	20.339
460.068	1,347.449
90.508	919.260
369.559	428.189
817.564	791.142
211.969	151.092
605.595	640.050
367.522	689.351
70.497	116.336
297.025	573.014
80.109	122.427
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297.279	724.377

Figure: G\$M

Source: Ministry of Finance

# MID-YEAR GOVERNMENT SUMMARY OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY SECTOR AND TYPE OF FINANCING

	SECTOR AND SOURCE	2017 ACTUAL	2018 BUDGET
15.0	Public Safety	3,515.591	3,330.387
	15.1 Specific	630.027	590.000
	15.2 Non-Specific	2,885.564	2,740.387
16.0	Tourist Development	10.287	0.500
	16.1 Specific	0.000	0.000
	16.2 Non-Specific	10.287	0.500
17.0	Administration	3,462.595	3,953.397
	17.1 Specific	397.031	704.664
	17.2 Non-Specific	3,065.564	3,248.733
18.0	Financial Transfers	633.166	1,020.065
	17.1 Specific	0.000	83.280
	17.2 Non-Specific	633.166	936.785
19.0	Social Welfare	2,443.411	2,016.777
	19.1 Specific	1,048.982	695.000
	19.2 Non-Specific	1,394.429	1,321.777
20.0	Overall Total	58,716.615	59,702.423
	20.1 Specific	22,160.737	27,324.350
	20.2 Non-Specific	36,555.878	32,378.073

2017	2018
H1	H1
640.103	556.093
176.799	274.723
463.304	281.370
1.357	0.500
0.000	0.000
1.357	0.500
1,124.601	911.960
237.422	122.744
887.179	789.216
477.673	523.805
0.000	16.851
477.673	506.954
798.397	1,031.845
455.874	291.261
342.523	740.584
15,815.060	18,974.592
6,545.385	6,908.098
9,269.674	12,066.495

Figure: G\$M

Source: Ministry of Finance

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<u> </u>			ACTU			$\neg \leftarrow$	L		BUDGE			$ \leftarrow$ $\bot$			MID-YEAR 201			
AGENCY	EMBIOLOGIS LIMITORIALIS	CHARCES	REAL COLUMN	EXPERIMENTAL TOTAL	EMPEROMATICAL.	ELECTRICAL TOPIC	EMPLO COSTS	OHHER CHARGES	RAPROCHERONO CONTROLOGO CONTROLOG	EXAPERATION A.	Experiment Total	EXTREME TO THE	EMPLO COSTS	OTHER CHARGES	Rankson Lean	EXTREMOTIVE TOTAL	REAL PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF T	Expressor Control
o5 Ministry of Presidency o51 Policy Development and Administration	1,264,293 815,104	3,414,236	4,678,529 2,102,526	23,650 23,650	1,162,918	5,865,097	1,950,623 873,611	5,674,007	7, <b>624,630</b>	25,063 25,063	1,836,659 456,417	9,486,352	922,40°		3,140,850	11,025	377.332 99.631	3,529,207 1,779,153
052 Defence and National Security 053 Public Service Management 054 Natural Resource	81,644 152,593	1,287,422 153,146 1,047,893	2,102,526 234,790 1,200,486	23,650	57,243 101,869	2,025,1/5 292,033 1,302,355	88,121 200,677	210,645 1,055,594	2,200,612 298,766 1,256,271	25,063	82,719 113,850	381,485 1,370,121	3/2,53 39,94 115,96	7 63,503	1,008,497 103,449 566,487	= =	8,800 54,165	1,7/9,153
Management o55 Citizenship and Immigration Services o56 Social Cohesion o57 Environmental Management	156,696 58,256	207,669 51,534	364,365 109,790		180,535 1,977	544,900 111,767	238,048 186,165	336,879 203,879	574,927 390,044		67,100 3,500	642,027 393.544	78,29 95,21		151,183 166,783	- - -	40,310 2,387	191,493 169,170
o5/ Environmental Management and Compliance o58 Cultural Preservation and Conservation o59 Youth	=	666,572	666,572		322,294 - -	988,866	- 119,563 198,387	897,947 582,525 585,861	897,947 702,088 784,248		237,900 250,224 320,000	1,135,847 952,312 1,104,248	- 86,88 109,88		484,451 353,900 248,338	-	51,999 46,234 31,380	536,450 400,133 279,718
o5A Sports  O2 Office of the Prime Minister	100.186	436,204	536,390		294,990	831,380	46,051 89,809	473,476	519,527		304.949	824.476 839,819	23,68	4 183,398	293,637		42,426	249,508
o21 Prime Minister's Secretariat	100,186	436,204	536,390 536,390	4,330,677	294,990 294,990 3,536,753	831,380	89,809 89,809 6,846,769	605,010	694,819	4,662,000	145,000	839,819	45,01	1 248,626	293,637 293,637 5,317,307	2,378,153	24,897	9,674,576
031 Policy and Administration  032 Public Financial Management	6,161,744	7,086,525	13,248,269	4,330,677	3.421,018	16,669,287 8,653,645	6,383,612 463,157	7,949,634	14,333,246 4,870,368	4,662,000	4,297,064 130,151	18,630,310 9,662,519	73,02		3,123,176 2,194,131	2,378,153	1,952,870	5.076.045 4.598.530
04 Ministry of Foreign Affairs	1,630,798	3,391,276	5,022,074	-	208,662	5,230,736	2,047,014	3,042,426	5,089,440	-	487,709	5,577,149	1,110,036		2,847,236	ē	90.354	2,937,590
041 Development of Foreign Policy 042 Foreign Policy Promotion 043 Development of Foreign Trade Policy	217,879 1,404,911 8,008	1,817,576 1,562,054 11,647	2,035,455 2,966,965 19,654		119,780 87,922 960	2,155,235 3,054,887 20,614	302,684 1,738,644 5,686	1,383,567 1,641,069 17,790	1,686,251 3,379,713 23,476		212,000 275,709 -	1,898,251 3,655,422 23,476	163,19 944.34 2.49		1,057,325 1,786,516 3,394	-	25,062 65,292 -	1,082,387 1,851,808 3,394
07 Parliament Office 071 National Assembly	- -	1,430,316 1,430,316	1,430,316 1,430,316	÷	75.502 75.502	1,505,819 1,505,819	-	1,482,100 1,482,100	1,482,100 1,482,100	-	<b>96,000</b> 96,000	1,578,100 1,578,100	-	<b>694,591</b> 694,591	<b>694,591</b> 694,591	=	<b>16,198</b> 16,198	710,789 710,789
08 Auditor General 081 Office of the Auditor General		722,068 722,068	722,068 722,068	-	32,728 32,728	754.796 754.796		<b>766,35</b> 7	766,357 766,357		17,519 17,519	783.876 783.876	-	378,509 378,509	378,509 378,509	_	17. <b>519</b> 17.519	396,028 396,028
og Public and Police Service Commission og Public and Police Service	-	85,707	85,707	-	4,225	89,932	-	92,140	92,140	-	3,000	95,140	-	34,010	34,010	-	2,104	36,114
Commission  10 Teaching Service	=	85,707	85,707	-	4,225	89,932	-	92,140	92,140	<u> </u>	3,000	95,140	-	34,010	34,010	<u> </u>	2,104	36,114
101 Teaching Service Commission	-	<b>80,640</b> 80,640	<b>80,640</b> 80,640	-	14,864 14,864	95,504 95,504	-	114,742 114,742	114,742 114,742	-	10,416 10,416	125,158 125,158	-	38,755 38,755	38,755 38,755	-	<b>957</b> 957	39,712 39,712
11 Guyana Elections Commission 111 Elections Commission	<del>-</del> -	1,626,969 1,626,969	1,626,969 1,626,969	- -	120,000 120,000	1,7 <b>46,969</b> 1,746,969	-	2,739,910 2,739,910	2,739,910 2,739,910	-	160,090 160,090	2,900,000 2,900,000	-	<b>822,604</b> 822,604	<b>822,604</b> 822,604	-	-	<b>822,604</b> 822,604
112 Elections Administration  17 Ministry of Indigenous People's Affairs	142,569	789,262	931,831		1,354,026	2,285,856	168,725	867,961	1,036,686		1,183,274	2,219,960	105,286	244,255	349-535		605,833	955,367
171 Policy Development & Administration	142,569	789,262	931,831		1,354,026	2,285,856	168,725	867,961	-,-,00,000		1,183,274	-,9,900	105,280	244,255	349,535	<del></del>	605,833	955.367
21 Ministry of Agriculture 211 Ministry Administration	735.863 550.952	13,784,434	14.520,297 13.838,390	-	3,649,517 2,288,663	18,169,813 16,127,053	7 <b>29.305</b> 549.548	11,526,731 11,045,370	12,256,036 11,594,918	-	<b>4,602,617</b> 2,454,670	16,858,653 14,049,588	397,11° 288,37		11,412,432	-	1,773,262 1,262,389	13,185,695 12,417,282
212 Crops and Livestock Support Services 213 Fisheries	78,130	64,648	142,778		1,302,092 26,171	1,302,092	67,893	78,880	146,773		2,071,230 55.500	2,071,230	47.92		- 79,676 177,864	-	505,984	505,984 79,676
214 Hydrometeorological Services 25 Ministry of Business	106,781	939,874	1,084,070	=	32,591 609,500	571,720 1,693,571	111,864	1,207,429	514.345 1,366,034	-	799,378	535,562 2,165,412	60,82 76,58		177,864 645,606	-	4,890 355,280	1,000,886
251 Policy Development and Administration 252 Business Development, Support and Promotion	95,223 20,301	141,939 440,708	237,162 461,009		30,403 567,320	267,565 1,028,329	94,835 30,542	162,086 610,300	256,921 640,842		89,550 709,328	346,471 1,350,170	50,38 9,73		103,935 306,526	-	16,882 337,898	120,816 644,424
253 Consumer Protection	9,693	57,983	67,677		1,490	69,167	10,360	80,563	90,923		-	90,923	4,80	6 40,628	45.434	-	-	45,434

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AGENCY	EMILIO COSTS	CHARCES	KZARZANITOWA ROPALOZIA POTRALOZI POTRAL	EXPERIMENTAL TOTAL	Extremonation Cortal	STATES OFFICE OF STATES	EMINIC CORTS	OTHER CHARGES	STREET TOTAL	EXPERIOR TO THE STATE OF THE ST	EMPEROMETER TO	EXPERIOR LITTERS	EMPLO COSTS	OHUR CHARLES	EXTERNATION TO THE TOTAL TO THE	STATE TORKE	Nation Services	LEXPENDITURE OF THE PROPERTY O
254 Tourism Development and Promotion	18,979	299,244	318,223		10,287	328,510	22,868	354.480	377-348	,	500	377,848	11,659		189,711		500	190,211
26 Ministry of Natural Resources	247,440	243,029	490,469		298,760	789,229	386,208	444,722	830,930		279,100	1,110,030	186,011	123,951	309,962		211,811	521,773
261 Policy Development and Administration	243,312	90,584	333,896		298,760	632,656	168,438	149,872	318,310		279,100	597,410	78,584		146,119	-	211,811	357,930
262 Natural Resource Management	-	17,512	17,512		-	17,512	195394	139,000	334,394		-	334-394	93,679	30,788	124,467	-		124,467
263 Environmental Management	-	-	-		=	-	-	-	-		-	-	=	Ē	=	-		-
264 Petroleum Management	4,128	134.934	139,061			139,061	22,376	155,850	178,226			178,226	13,748	25,629	39,377	-		39-377
32 Ministry of Public Infrastructure 321 Policy Development and	671,192	6,597,689	7,268,880	-	29,368,293	36,637,174	711,136	7,167,918	7,879,054	÷	24,186,106	32,065,160	388,288	3,527,435	3,915,723	-	8,166,752	12,082,476
Administration	79,598	3,702,184	3,781,782		3,061,074	6,842,856	79,851	3,928,503	4,008,354		2,702,934	6,711,288	42,352		2,033,570	-	616,680	2,650,250
322 Public Works 323 Transport	589,174 2,419	2,827,039 68,466	3,416,213 70,885		16,434,041 9,873,179	19,850,254 9,944,064	628,308 2,977	3,156,031 83,384	3,784,339 86,361		14,956,603 6,526,569	18,740,942 6,612,930	344,222	1,505,050	1,849,272 32,882	-	5,623,552 1,926,520	7,472,824 1,959,402
	2,419	08,400	/0,005		4.0/3.1/4	9,944,004	2.9//	0,1,104	30,401		0,520,509	0,012,930	1,/19	31,100	32,002		1,920,520	1,959,402
33 Ministry of Public Telecommuncation 331 Policy Development and	401,387	1,533,471	1,934,858	-	357,919	2,292,776	97,119	2,034,736	2,131,855	-	2,564,206	4,696,061	50,667	986,627	1,037,294	-	37,172	1,074,466
Administration 332 Public Telecommunications	89,347 307.559	143,664 1,360,470	233,012 1,668,029		750 354,214	233,762 2,022,243	87,314	137,568 1,837,568	224,882 1,837,568		5,605 2,557,125	230,487 4.394.693	46,610	44,960 935,082	91,570 935,082	-	5,574 30,518	97,144 965,599
333 Tourism Development 334 Industry Innovations	4,481	29,336	33,817		- 2,955	- 36,772	9,805	- 59,600	69,405		1,476	70,881	4.057	6,585	10,642	-	1,080	11,723
334 industry innovations	4,461	293336	33,61/		2,955	30,//2	9,605	59,000	69,405		1,4/6	/0,661	4,05/	0,505	10,042		1,080	11,723
40 Ministry of Education 401 Policy Development and	4,801,991	11,311,046	16,113,037	-	2,713,359	18,826,395	5,110,883	12,005,415	17,116,298	-	2,870,953	19,987,251	2,325,322		6,748,953	-	389,794	7,138,746
Administration	618,091	1,028,750	1,646,841		47,755	1,694,595	718,058	1,092,245	1,810,303		309,784	2,120,087	283,943		831,599	-	62,750	894,349
402 Training and Development 403 Nursery Education	423,466 376,901	1,350,332 1,142,119	1,773,798		106,437 199,773	1,880,234	420,951 429,537	1,530,462 1,570,169	1,951,413 1,999,706		133,805 107,906	2,085,218	199,853 209,803		663,973 531,834	-	31,072 54,257	695,045 586,090
404 Primary Education	920,371	1,991,645	2,912,016		152,581	3.064,598	1,052,846	2,335,047	3,387,893		102,782	3.490,675	514,561	927,458	1,442,019	-	17,861	1,459,880
405 Secondary Education 406 Post-Secondary/Tertiary	1,656,667	1,567,528	3,224,195		620,221	3,844,416	1,806,579	1,824,953	3,631,532		1,321,031	4.952.563	923,839	511,674	1,435,512	-	168,934	1,604,447
Education 407 Cultural Preservation and	611,298	3,307,048	3,918,346		934,571	4,852,917	682,912	3,652,539	4,335,451		895,645	5,231,096	193,323	1,650,692	1,844,015	-	54,920	1,898,935
Conservation	95,752	362,008	457,760		87,666	545,426	-	-	-			-	-	-	-	-		-
408 Youth 409 Sports	60,553 38,892	164,397 397,218	224,950 436,110		239,597 324,758	464,548 760,868	-	-	-			-	-		-	-		-
42 Ministry of Communities 421 Sustainable Communities	269,759	1,700,982	1,970,741	=	4,376,204	6,346,946	350,763	1,413,571	1,764,334	-	4,751,320	6,515,654	207,533	609,872	817,405	-	1,575,193	2,392,599
Management 422 Sustainable Communities	170,970	357,479	528,449		1,068,126	1,596,575	210,534	506,525	717,059		1,052,320	1,769,379	118,367	201,792	320,158	=	503,585	823,743
Development	98,789	1,343.504	1,442,293		3,308,078	4.750,372	140,229	907,046	1,047,275		3,699,000	4,746,275	89,166	408,081	497,247	-	1,071,609	1,568,855
43 Ministry of Public Health	6,322,007	13,021,843	19,343,850	-	1,756,285	21,100,135	6,649,604	14,297,892	20,947,496	-	2,508,461	23,455,957	3,492,167	5,760,605	9,252,772	-	431,936	9,684,708
431 Policy Development and Administration	440,273	980,380	1,420,653		261,208	1,681,862	439,177	1,068,322	1,507,499		281,500	1,788,999	268,728	493,209	761,938	-	28,082	790,020
432 Diseases Control	355-393	1,241,606	1,596,999		488,180	2,085,179	361,555	1,467,003	1,828,558		355,864	2,184,422	203,966	258,016	461,983	-	59,300	521,283
433 Family Health Care Services 434 Regional and Clinical Services	224,558 4,850,061	767,690 8,797,376	992,248 13,647,437		51,695 883,141	1,043,943 14,530,579	228,666 5.135.485	852,822 9,621,085	1,081,488 14,756,570		233,000 1,498,366	1,314,488 16,254,936	126,632 2,634,780		320,428 6,935,231	-	65,226 256,263	385,654 7,191,493
435 Health Sciences Education	111,525	481,065	592,590		57,239	649,829	125,778	493,031	618,809		42,231	661,040	2,034.760		249,388	-	23,065	272,453
436 Standards and Technical Services	173,663	580,913	754,576		4,471	759,047	179,272	612,461	791,733		61,500	853,233	93,213	266,232	359,445	-	-	359,445
437 Disability and Rehabilitation Services	166,533	172,813	339,346		10,351	349,697	179,671	183,168	362,839		36,000	398,839	98,424	65,936	164,360	-	-	164,360
49 Ministry of Social Protection 491 Policy Development &	865,078	13,619,601	14,484,678	-	304,101	14,788,779	940,448	15,646,348	16,586,796	-	401,257	16,988,053	539,431	7,216,336	7,755,767	-	87,317	7,843,084
Administration	147,580	126,627	274,207		137,673	411,880	161,061	133,094	294,155		174,561	468,716	89,308		142,104	-	23,346	165,450
492 Social Services 493 Labour Administration	366,067	12,815,221 362,112	13,181,288 486,540		63.552 19.397	13.244.839	399.343 125.675	14,734,012 446,731	15.133.355 572.406		57.196 4.000	15,190,551 576,406	245,902 69,766	6,793,029	7.038,931 310.662	-	699 1,335	7,039,630 311,997
493 Labour Administration 494 Child Care and Protection	124,429 227,002	362,112 315,641	486,540 542,643		19,397 83,479	505,938 626,122	125,675 254,369	446,731 332,511	572,406 586,880		165,500	576,406 752,380	134,454	240,895 129,616	310,662 264,070		1,335 61,937	311,997 326,007
54 Ministry of Public Security 541 Policy Development and	9,072,394	5,299,826	14,372,220	16,519	3,478,702	17,867,441	9,905,742	5,630,799	15,536,541	20,592	3,156,387	18,713,520	5,328,124	1,793,449	7,121,573	3,048	536,586	7,661,208
Administration	382,190	316,181	698,371		659,892	1,358,263	389,289	333,525	722,814		452,500	1,175,314	228,194		350,957	-	259,236	610,193
542 Police Force 543 Prison Service	7.055.085	3,502,501	10,557,586	7,730	880,161	11,445,477	7,689,322	3,802,364 944,620	11,491,686 1,837,954	7.992	688,216 1,686,000	12,187,894	4,089,925		5,246,325 805,710	3,048	158,471	5.407.844 858.813
543 Prison Service 544 Police Complaints Authority	813,210 11,989	1,031,764 8,002	1,844,974 19,991	8,788	1,499,506 4,679	3.344.479 33,458	893.334 14,251	944,620 7,909	1,837,954 22,160	12,600	1,686,000	3.523.954 35,450	467,942 6,387	337,768 2,323	805.710 8,709	-	53,103 98	858,813 8,808
545 Fire Service	691,874	360,564	1,052,438		314,803	1,367,241	791,546	443,976	1,235,522		318,981	1,554,503	460,300	143.513	603,813	-	61,052	664,865
546 Customs Anti-Narcotics Unit	118,045	80,815	198,861		119,662	318,523	128,000	98,405	226,405	-	10,000	236,405	75-377	30,682	106,059	-	4,626	110,685

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AGENCY	EMBRO COSTS	CHARCES	STANSON TOWNS	ENTREMONICARE, ENTREMONICARE, ENTREMONICARE,	LATTE CHARLES	Extress out Conf.	EMPLO COSTS	OTHER CHARCES	STANSON TOWNS	Examena Long.	Roman Loral	ELECTRICION DE LE CONTROL DE LA CONTROL DE L	EMPLOYARES !	Onthe Chaucus	Extressor Total	EXTREMENTAL TOTAL	ESTRESION LUCIO	Example of the factor of the f
52 Ministry of Legal Affairs	211,979	334,016	545.995	-	86,024	632,019	201,829	665,267	867,096	-	200,213	1,067,309	105,574		285,565	-	31,871	317,436
521 Main Office	11,777	63,712	75.489		67,693	143,182	12,040	283,749	295,789		195,000	490,789	3,770		140,498	-	29,210	169,707
522 Ministry Administration 523 Attorney General's Chambers	28,877 149,661	30.738 235,417	59.615 385.078		16,692	76,306 385,078	31,328 149,015	32,613 344,832	63,941 493,847		719 4,000	64,660 497,847	18,249 74,113		30,114 104,226	-	718 1,449	30,832 105,676
524 State Solicitor	21,664	4.149	25,813		1,640	27,453	9,446	4.073	13,519		494	14,013	9,446	1,281	10,727	_	494	11,221
525 Deeds Registry	-	-				-	-		-				-	-	-	-		-
53 Guyana Defence Force 531 Defence and Security Support	5,573,871	5,578,317	11,152,187 11,152,187	-	844.786 844.786	11,996,973 11,996,973	6,024,810 6,024,810	5,488,138 5,488,138	11,512,948	-	<b>539,910</b> 539,910	12,052,858 12,052,858	3,280,705	2,375,905 2,375,905	5,656,610 5,656,610	-	720,916 720,916	6,377,526 6,377,526
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55 Supreme Court	-	1,547,678	1,547,678	-	248,800	1,796,478	-	1,564,354	1,564,354	-	310,376	1,874,730	-	818,161	818,161	-	61,963	880,124
551 Supreme Court of Judicature		1,547,678	1,547,678		248,800	1,796,478	-	1,564,354	1,564,354		310,376	1,874,730	-	818,161	818,161	-	61,963	880,124
56 Public Prosecutions	=	153,969	153,969	-	3,166	157,135	=	160,290	160,290	=	14,000	174,290	-	77,387	77,387	-	1,355	78,742
561 Public Prosecutions	-	153,969	153,969	-	3,166	157,135	-	160,290	160,290	-	14,000	174,290	-	77,387	77,387	-	1,355	78,742
57 Office of the Ombudsman	-	48,311	48,311	-	-	48,311	-	56,144	56,144		1,669	57,813	-	28,443	28,443		1,669	30,112
571 Ombudsman	-	48,311	48,311	-	-	48,311	-	56,144	56,144	-	1,669	57,813	-	28,443	28,443	-	1,669	30,112
58 Public Service Appellate																		
Tribunal 581 Public Service Appellate	-	30,016	30,016	-	4,546	34,561	-	46,884	46,884	-	5,000	51,884	-	25,009	25,009	-	1,770	26,780
Tribunal	-	30,016	30,016		4,546	34,561	-	46,884	46,884		5,000	51,884	-	25,009	25,009	-	1,770	26,780
59 Ethnic Relations Commission	-	50,598	50,598	-	1,474	52,072	-	86,534	86,534		-	86,534		31,844	31,844		-	31,844
Ethnic Relations Commission		50,598	50,598		1,474	52,072	-	86,534	86,534			86,534		31,844	31,844	-	-	31,844
60 Judicial Service Commission	-	10,020	10,020	-	-	10,020		10,020	10,020		-	10,020		1,830	1,830		-	1,830
601 Judicial Service Commission		10,020	10,020		-	10,020		10,020	10,020		-	10,020	-	1,830	1,830	-	-	1,830
61 Rights Commissions of Guyana	ē	113,397	113,397	-	5,447	118,844		141,596	141,596		1,030	142,626		51,436	51,436		700	52,136
611 Rights Commissions of Guyana		113,397	113,397		5.447	118,844		141,596	141,596		1,030	142,626	-	51,436	51,436	-	700	52,136
62 Public Procurement Commission	-	110,373	110,373	-	27,946	138,319		169,786	169,786		7,880	177,666		169,786	169,786		7,880	177,666
621 Public Procurement Commission		110.373			27.946			169.786	169,786		7.880	177,666		169.786	169,786		7.880	177.666
71 Region 1: Barima/Waini 711 Regional Administration and	1,012,296	1,222,200	2,234,496	-	320,665	2,555,161	997,403	1,299,352	2,296,755	-	350,000	2,646,755	546,799	210,263	757,062	-	52,093	809,155
Finance 712 Public Works	43,246 39,471	135,119 244.487	178,365 283,958		25,931 49.891	204,296	44,450 41.844	142,302 255.425	186,752 297,269		14,500	201,252 404.269	24,850		62,905 54,311	-	6,550 672	69,455 54.983
713 Education Delivery	712,852	432,128	1,144,980		123,507	1,268,487	715,829	456,878	1,172,707		118,200	1,290,907	388,358		462,747	-	12,018	474.765
714 Health Services	216,728	410,465	627,193		121,336	748,529	195,280	444.747	640,027		110,300	750,327	113,798	63,302	177,099	-	32,853	209,953
72 Region 2:																		
Poomeroon/Supernaam 721 Regional Administration and	1,664,319	1,489,505	3,153,824	-	430,907	3,584,731	1,835,175	1,711,135	3,546,310	-	461,000	4,007,310	1,005,159	719,627	1,724,786	-	149,674	1,874,460
Finance	93,128	107,818	200,947		15,651	216,598	100,453	108,643	209,096		46,270	255,366	58,849		109,043	-	2,884	111,926
722 Agriculture	69,511	255,775	325,286		45,882	371,168	81,358	274,633	355,991		40,000	395,991	44,460	86,070	130,532	-	23,147	153,679
723 Public Works	32,940	112,770	145,710		67,573	213,283	36,591	92,599	129,190		68,230	197,420	21,718		66,951	-	40,001	106,953
724 Education Delivery 725 Health Services	1,134,703 334,937	552,043 461,099	1,686,746 795,137		157,887 143,914	1,844,632 939,051	1,256,538 360,235	704,985 530,275	1,961,523 890,510		193,800 112,700	2,155,323 1,003,210	682,749 197,389	257,044 281,087	939,789 478,472	-	45-135 38-507	984,923 516,978
73 Region 3: Essequibo Islands/ West Demerara	2,685,380	1,829,973	4,515,353	-	419,262	4,934,615	2,733,461	1,985,677	4,719,138	-	463,999	5,183,137	1,436,744	1,104,378	2,541,122	-	258,389	2,799,511
731 Regional Administration and Finance	105,358	95,069	200,427		17,085	217,513	105,016	100,754	205,770		11,499	217,269	64,87	58,298	123,169	-	9,388	132,557
732 Agriculture	70,426	258,171	328,597		48,692	377,289	83,983	277,263	361,246		109,000	470,246	44,880		176,158	-	44.943	221,101
733 Public Works	16,049	89,968	106,017		64,983	171,000	21,009	110,631	131,640		119,129	250,769	8,960	28,765	37,727	-	80,634	118,361
734 Education Delivery	2,034,803	583,848	2,618,651		179,050	2,797,700	2,102,377	647,625	2,750,002		149,871	2,899,873	1,061,666		1,460,861	-	76,255	1,537,117
735 Health Services	458,744	802,917	1,261,662		109,451	1,371,113	421,076	849,404	1,270,480		74,500	1,344,980	256,367	486,840	743,206	-	47,168	790,375

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AGENCY	EMPLO COSTS	CHARCES	RAME CHARLES	Surround Surround	EST EXALTED TO THE	EXPENDENT CONTROL	EMPLO COSTS	OTHER CHARCES	EXTREMO TRACES	EXPERIMENTAL TOTAL	LEAT ESTABLISHED LOCAL	ELEPHOTE TOTAL	,	THE COSTS	OTHER CHARGES	LEATHER COMMITTEE	EXECUTIVE CORP.	RAME CALLERS	Extracounting Total
74 Region 4: Demerara/Mahaica 741 Regional Administration and Finance	2,935,172 78,502	<b>2,296,059</b> 118,612	5,231,230 197,115	Ē	<b>502,410</b> 27,560	5,733,639 224,674	3,211,328 80,244	<b>2,509,926</b> 113,401	<b>5,721,254</b> 193,645	-	511,908 17,635	6,233,162 211,280	1,7	01,146 49,225	<b>1,391,104</b> 49,745	<b>3,092,250</b> 98,970	-	186,555 12,792	3,278,805 111,762
742 Agriculture	92,832	254.564	347,396		44,100	391,496	105,144	245,871	351,015		45,800	396,815		52,535	143,960	196,495	-	20,348	216,843
743 Public Works	27,716	104,483	132,200		79,530	211,729	24,595	114,000	138,595		90,000	228,595		15,351	24,354	39,704		46,384	86,089
744 Education Delivery	2,560,916	950,699	3,511,615		262,929	3.774.543	2,821,824	1,000,000	3,821,824		259,408	4,081,232	1,	470,437	455-299	1,925,736	-	85,811	2,011,548
745 Health Services	175,206	867,700	1,042,906		88,292	1,131,197	179,521	1,036,654	1,216,175		99,065	1,315,240		113,599	717,746	831,345	-	21,219	852,564
75 Region 5: Mahaica/Berbice 751 Regional Administration and	1,414,019	1,171,944	2,585,963	-	396,400	2,982,362	1,477,393	1,372,470	2,849,863	-	415,000	3,264,863	7	75,142	613,925	1,389,067	-	185,324	1,574,391
Finance 752 Agriculture	59,943 5,572	84,667 192,691	144,610 198,263		13,246 76,925	157,855 275,188	61,509 5,627	112,572 206,566	174,081		2,200 59,800	176,281 271,993		31,310	38,389 90,325	69,699 93,339	-	1,816 34.097	71,515 127,436
753 Public Works	5-5/2 44,155	111,806	155,962		107,081	263,043	37.063	137,314	174,377		155,450	329,827		24.415	64,201	93.339 88,616	-	90,793	179,436
754 Education Delivery	1,045,416	416,588	1,462,003		94,900	1,556,903	1,094,011	506,315	1,600,326		144,950	1,745,276		556.704	174,703	731,407	-	34.536	765,943
755 Health Services	258,933	366,192	625,125		104,248	729.373	279,183	409,703	688,886		52,600	741,486		159,699	246,307	406,006	-	24,081	430,087
76 Region 6: East Berbice/																			
Corentyne 761 Regional Administration and	2,870,054	2,665,823	5,535,877	-	512,876	6,048,753	3,136,423	2,781,937	5,918,360	-	544,200	6,462,560	1,62	8,806	1,292,456	2,941,262	-	264,988	3,206,250
Finance	69,561	80,584	150,145		11,197	161,342	63,659	83,182	146,841		13,580	160,421		37,464	31,424	68,888	-	10,427	79,316
762 Agriculture	79,946	612,464	692,410		106,880	799.290	80,305	643,771	724,076		117,209	841,285		43,120	330,283	373,403	-	65,710	439.114
763 Public Works	40,857	201,737	242,594		149,999	392,593	40,982	221,024	262,006		141,400	403,406		24,294	62,113	86,408	-	113,876	200,284
764 Education Delivery 765 Health Services	2,077,256	721,903	2,799,159		96,800	2,895,959	2,391,585	737,673	3,129,258		109,511	3,238,769		.197.515	323,494	1,521,010	-	38,516	1,559,526
705 rieaun Services	602,434	1,049,135	1,651,569		148,000	1,799,569	559,892	1,096,287	1,656,179		162,500	1,818,679		346,413	545,141	891,553	-	36,458	928,011
77 Region 7: Cuyuni/Mazaruni 771 Regional Administration and	863,209	1,184,401	2,047,611	_	223,820	2,271,430	914,969	1,373,368	2,288,337	_	255,232	2,543,569	4	53,190	467,000	920,190	-	78,802	998,992
771 Regional Administration and Finance	56,297	175,274	231,571		1,748	233,320	57,750	210,000	267,750		16,744	284,494		31,393	77,732	109,124	-	3,111	112,235
772 Public Works	6,095	145,180	151,275		30,565	181,840	5.483	162,851	168,334		54.000	222,334		1,578	27,946	29,524		27.935	57,459
773 Education Delivery	576,101	586,462	1,162,563		111,290	1,273,853	625,865	669,117	1,294,982		120,700	1,415,682	:	293.450	228,273	521,723	-	27,373	549,096
774 Health Services	224,716	277,485	502,201		80,217	582,418	225,871	331,400	557,271		63,788	621,059		126,769	133,049	259,818		20,384	280,202
78 Region 8: Potaro/Siparuni 781 Regional Administration and	339,103	1,022,030	1,361,133	-	215,589	1,576,722	390,643	1,183,933	1,574,576	-	226,265	1,800,841	10	98,320	138,084	336,404	-	59,212	395,616
Finance	35,688	91,099	126,787		10,107	136,893	40,358	94,415	134,773		2,100	136,873		18,235	22,479	40,714	-	1,145	41,859
782 Public Works 783 Education Delivery	25,836	160,885	186,721		45,561	232,283	28,417	149,210	177,627		110,465	288,092		11,731	11,450	23,182	-	28,253	51,435
783 Education Delivery 784 Health Services	180,006 97,574	558,760 192,085	738,765 289,658		64,166 92,154	802,932 381,813	221,511 100,357	702,038 215,919	923.549 316,276		58,300 54,400	981,849 370,676		116,940 51,414	73.714 30,266	190,654 81,679	-	6,623 23,190	197,278 104,869
785 Agriculture	974374	19,201	19,201		3,600	22,801	100(3:1)	22,351	22,351		1,000	23,351		-	175	175	-	2,1,140	175
79 Region 9: Upper Takatu/Upper Essequibo 791 Regional Administration and	807,583	900,930	1,708,513	-	387,141	2,095,653	916,947	1,008,084	1,925,031	-	447,274	2,372,305		85,023	359,226	844,249	-	180,980	1,025,229
Finance	53,623	114,500	168,123		41,396	209,518	63,818	122,434	186,252		48,015	234,267		32,435	48,917	81,352	-	22,855	104,207
792 Agriculture 793 Public Works	13,578	23,551	37,129		20,598	57,726	14,091	26,429	40,520		43,350	83,870		6,842	8,939	15,781	-	31,327	47,108
793 Public Works 794 Education Delivery	16,636 572,935	155,696 354,128	172,332 927,063		145,099 105,845	317,432 1,032,908	13,775 651,575	176,004 397,862	189,779 1,049,437		139,708	329,487 1,160,986		11,443 335,737	48,349 133,626	59,793 469,363	-	47,345 69,649	107,137 539,012
795 Health Services	150,811	354,126 253,055	403,866		74,203	478,069	173,688	285,355	459.043		104,652	563,695	L	98,566	119,394	409,303 217,960		9,804	227,764
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80 Region 10: Upper Demerara/Upper Berbice 801 Regional Administration and Finance	1,485,190	1,227,637	2,712,827	-	368,048	3,080,875	1,655,336	1,302,442	2,957,778	-	460,800	3,418,578	81	30,228	583,581	1,463,809	-	51,035	1,514,844
802 Public Works	77,367 15,844	126,889 176,884	204,257 192,728		58,075 170,426	262,332 363,154	75,569 17,703	130,298 200,547	205,867 218,250		96,100 104,300	301,967		45,553 9,597	62,071 36,397	107,624 45,994	-	1,498 13,262	109,122 59,256
803 Education Delivery	15,844	176,884 591,261	1,766,565		170,426 79,665	363,154 1,846,230	1,352,194	200,547 616,837	1,969,031		162,000	322,550 2,131,031		9.597 597,888	36,397 273,033	45.994 970,921	-	13,262	59,256 985,419
804 Health Services	216,676	332,602	549,278		59,881	609,159	209,870	354,760	564,630		98,400	663,030		127,189	212,080	339,269	-	21,778	361,047
Grand Total	55,092,782	113,909,715	169,002,497	4,370,846	58,716,615	232,089,956.806	59,638,470.000	124,034,396.000	183,672,866.000	4,707,655.000	59,702,423	248,082,943.000	27,991,	392,729	58,908,720.222	86,090,792.947	2.392.226.101	18,974,592	107,457,611

### MID-YEAR CENTRAL GOVERNMENT

#### ABSTRACT OF REVENUE BY HEAD

	ITEM	2017 ACTUAL	2018 BUDGET	2017 HY	2018 HY	2018 REVISED
	TOTAL REVENUE	197,016,448	233,372,030	109,970,840	119,477,834	248,598,020
	TOTAL CURRENT RECEIPTS	177,322,021	201,859,924	97,152,046	109,184,852	216,033,579
	CURRENT RECEIPTS TAXES					
I	CUSTOMS AND TRADE TAXES	16,381,968	19,363,881	8,118,726	9,836,334	20,912,991
II	VALUE-ADDED AND EXCISE TAXES <sup>1</sup>	67,506,981	81,569,873	36,113,238	42,496,441	88,095,463
III	INTERNAL REVENUE	67,856,581	80,437,182	41,581,455	48,285,508	86,872,157
IV	STAMP DUTIES	339,589	426,063	195,052	175,168	426,063
V	OTHER TAX REVENUE	277	3,305	253	4	3,305
	FEES, FINES, ETC.					
XI	FINES, FEES. ETC.	1,361,965	1,507,502	684,021	652,063	1,510,110
	REVENUE FROM PROPERTY AND ENTERPRISE					
XII	INTEREST	1,001,736	1,002,049	500,862	2,975	1,005,514
XIII	RENTS, ROYALTIES, ETC.	4,302,979	4,632,828	1,584,941	2,300,459	4,640,818
XIV	LAND DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES					
XV	DIVIDENDS AND TRANSFERS	14,276,069	11,200,000	7,051,154	3,732,282	10,832,282
	MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS					
XVI	MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS	4,293,877	1,717,241	1,322,344	1,703,618	1,734,877
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	TOTAL CAPITAL RECEIPTS	19,694,427	31,512,106	12,818,794	10,292,982	32,564,441
	CAPITAL RECEIPTS					
XXI	MISCELLANEOUS CAPITAL REVENUE	1,501,540	1,491,668	756,111	1,484,675	2,234,003
XXII	EXTERNAL GRANTS	5,368,226	8,917,095	7,128,804	3,761,279	9,227,095
XXIV	EXTERNAL LOANS	12,824,661	21,103,343	4,933,879	5,047,028	21,103,343

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> IMF Classification

#### MID-YEAR CENTRAL GOVERNMENT

### TAX REMISSIONS BY CATEGORY

	ITEM	2017 HY	2018 HY
	TOTAL TAX REMISSIONS	24,500,594	29,417,505
I	HOSPITALS	66,530	77,504
II	COMPANIES/BUSINESSES	17,672,920	24,463,976
III	CHURCHES/CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS	845,487	641,053
IV	PUBLIC OFFICIALS/OFFICERS	701,684	674,097
V	DEPARTMENTS	3,138,372	1,301,017
VI	REMIGRANTS	481,301	391,323
VII	DIPLOMATS	679,035	442,800
VIII	FOREIGN-FUNDED PROJECTS	915,265	1,425,734

Figure: G\$'000 Mid-Year Report 2018 Source: Ministry of Finance 85 Central Government Tax Remissions by Category

#### APPENDIX F

#### MID-YEAR TOTAL PUBLIC DEBT STOCK SUMMARY

ITEM	2017 ACTUAL	2018 BUDGET	2017 HY	2018 HY	2018 REVISED
TOTAL PUBLIC DEBT STOCK	1,670.51	1,755.89	1,637.24	1,637.17	1,755.8
Total Public External Debt Stock	1,240.59	1,304.75	1,200.22	1,255.08	1,304.7
1.0 Multilateral	725.52	762.86	705.93	731.59	762.86
CDB	150.73	156.70	145.32	148.74	156.7
CDF	7.96	8.06	6.47	9.77	8.0
EEC	6.58	5.99	6.48	6.16	5.9
IADB	503.30	511.53	492.17	505.49	511.5
IDA	35.56	59.20	33.65	40.03	59.2
IFAD	8.62	9.59	8.57	9.12	9.5
OFID	12.77	11.79	13.26	12.28	11.7
2.0 Bilateral	479.87	507.50	459.16	488.72	507.50
2.1 Paris Club Creditors:	15.83	7-73	19.35	11.97	7-7;
Italy	3.15	2.89	3.09	3.06	2.8
T&T	12.11	4.31	15.64	8.33	4.3
USA	0.58	0.53	0.63	0.58	0.5
2.2 Non-Paris Club Creditors:	464.03	499.77	439.81	476.75	499.7
Argentina	15.22	15.56	15.05	15.39	15.5
Bulgaria	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
China (Eximbank)	181.27	213.09	157.18	196.54	213.0
India (Eximbank)	16.76	22.37	17.56	16.21	22.3
Kuwait	77.58	80.29	75.81	78.68	80.2
Libya	43.51	43.79	43.49	43.78	43.7
Serbia	1.36	1.38	1.34	1.37	1.3
UAE	7.91	8.04	7.91	8.04	8.0
Venezuela (PDVSA)	120.43	115.24	121.47	116.75	115.2
3.0 Private Creditors	35.21	34-39	35.13	34.77	34-39
3.1 Commerical Banks	22.54	21.74	22,47	22,11	21.74
Barclays Bank	3.47	3.47	3.47	3.44	3.4
Lloyds Bank (O/Draft)	1.76	1.68	1.69	1.72	1.6
Republic Bank Limited (T & T)	17.31	16.58	17.31	16.95	16.5
3.2 Others 1/	12.66	12.66	12.66	12.66	12.60
TOTAL DOMESTIC DEBT	429.92	451.14	437.02	382.10	451.1.
4.0 Domestic Securitites	430.09	449.95	435.57	380.82	449.9
4.1 Treasury Bills	387.37	409.69	394-22	341.03	409.6
91-Days 2/	4.83	33.89	4.83	4.78	33.8
182-Days	54.88	38.50	61.83	30.95	38.50
364-Days	327.66	337.31	327.56	305.30	337.3
4.2 Debentures 3/	41.34	40.24	41.34	<b>39.</b> 77	40.2
BOG Variable Interest Rate Debentures	18.88	18.96	18.88	18.70	18.9
NIS Debenture (GOG/NIS No. 1/2016) 4/	22.46	21.28	22.46	21.08	21.2
4.3 Bonds	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.0
Defence Bonds	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.0
5.0 Domestic Loan	1.36	1.19	1.45	1.28	1.1
NIS Loan (CARICOM Building Project)	1.36	1.19	1.45	1.28	1.1

#### Notes:

Notes:

1/ Includes Ruston Bucyrus Bond, Guyana Perpetual Railway Stock and External Payments Deposit Scheme (EPDS) debts.

2/ Includes K-Series

3/ Excludes Bank of Guyana Non-Interest Bearing Debentures

4/ Payment to NIS to assist in recovering from losses due to their investment in CLICO (Guyana) as per Debenture Agreement dated September 16, 2016.

#### **APPENDIX G**

### MID-YEAR EXPENDITURE OF KEY SECTORS

SECTOR	2017 Actual	2018 Budget	2017 HY	2018 HY
Education	41,102,974,000	45,977,339,000	16,095,876,415	17,855,336,987
Health	30,737,545,000	33,323,133,000	10,779,697,233	14,386,558,013
Agriculture	20,519,616,000	19,388,204,000	11,542,166,080	14,398,256,404
Infrastructure	39,351,601,000	35,051,909,000	12,533,423,211	13,103,842,398
Public Security	29,813,754,144	30,721,378,000	12,959,474,971	14,033,799,894
GRAND TOTAL	161,525,490,144	164,461,963,000	63,910,637,910	73,777,793,696

#### APPENDIX H

<b>General Administration Sector</b>	US\$218,020	
1. Project Title	Capacity Building for Local Government Reform	
Executing Agency	Ministry of Communities	
Development Partner	Caribbean Development Bank	
Date of Signature	March 1, 2018	
Investment (US\$)	\$218,020	
Γype of Investment	Grant	
Details	The objective of this project is to harmonise existing legislation on local government and drafting of regulations and related support to further the implementation of Guyana's Local Government Reform Initiative. The consultant will work in close collaboration with the Ministry of Legal Affairs and other relevant public and private sector entities to draft amendments to existing and new legislation and regulations.	
Social Services Sector	US\$1,133,535	
1. Project Title	Institutional Strengthening to Guyana Social Safety Net	
Executing Agency	Ministry of Social Protection	
Development Partner	Inter-American Development Bank	
Date of Signature	January 15, 2018	
Investment (US\$)	\$666,700	
Type of Investment	Grant	
Details	The objective of this project is to strengthen the capacity of the Ministry of Social Protection to effectively deliver social assistance programs to the vulnerable population within a well-defined social protection policy framework. Specifically, the project will seek to improve the system to identify and target the population eligible for social assistance, as well as improve the management efficiency of social assistance benefits.	
2. Project Title	Infrastructure Assessment of the Library at the University of Guyana	
Executing Agency	Ministry of Education	
Development Partner	Caribbean Development Bank	
Date of Signature	May 29, 2018	
Investment (US\$)	\$175,835	
Type of Investment	Grant	
Details	The Project is set to benefit the University of Guyana and the Ministry of Education. The Project's Development Objectives are to improve: (a) student learning outcomes through reform of curriculum and teaching practices; and (b) the learning environment in the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Guyana (UG).	
3. Project Title	Equipping of the Palms Geriatric Facility in Georgetown	
Executing Agency	Ministry of Social Protection	
Development Partner	Islamic Development Bank	
Date of Signature	April 1, 2018	
Investment (US\$)	\$291,000	
Type of Investment	Grant	
The overall objective of the TA is to support the efforts of the Government of Guyana for improving the quality of life for the elderly through provision of standard care and serv Specifically, the project aims to: (i) contribute to the improvement of quality care and stails  tails  provision through equipping the Palms Geriatric Facility and (ii) support the Government developing a Comprehensive Strategic Plan and Sustainable Financial resources by introducing the Waqf Property Development concept for the facility by engaging a short individual consultant.		