

Ceylon (continued)

Description	Total Cost During 1951-57	
	Rs. million	
	Schemes	New
	in hand	Schemes
ELECTRIFICATION OF RAILWAY SUBURBAN SERVICES		
To run an efficient and economical service. Electrification is expected to increase the existing traffic by at least 30 per cent. owing to the better service. There is a demand for a much improved service. With the improved service the suburbs should be quickly developed. This will ease the present housing problem		31
POWER		
DEVELOPMENT OF HYDRO-ELECTRIC SCHEME		
Under the proposed scheme an additional generating capacity of 50,000 kilowatts will be installed	71	
ERECTION OF TRANSMISSION LINES AND SUB-STATIONS		
This is a complementary project to the hydro-electric power scheme. It is proposed to erect 941 miles of transmission lines with 60 sub-stations		31.7
INDUSTRIES		
VEGETABLE OIL PROJECT		
This chiefly concerns copra and its products and secondarily certain oil seeds. It is a comprehensive project comprising the following:—		
(a) Continuous solvent extraction.		
(b) Batch solvent extraction.		
(c) Splitting of the fat to produce glycerine, which has to be refined and concentrated, and fatty acid which will be refined by distillation.		
(d) Cattle food compounding, utilising the poonnac from the extraction plants and blending it with other suitable food materials.		
(e) Refining of the oils.		
(f) Production of fatty alcohol		12
PAPER		
The factory is designed to manufacture the ordinary types of paper for writing and printing. The Monosulphite process will be adopted. The manufacture of kraft paper, used to make bags for cement, is also included	12	
CAUSTIC SODA		
The manufacture of caustic soda utilising salt produced in the local salterns by solar evaporation has been investigated, and the project has advanced to the stage of calling for tenders. Schemes for the utilisation of the by-product chlorine are also to be included. The by-product hydrogen will be used for hydrogenation in the manufacture of lauryl alcohol		7
FERTILISER		
The proposal is to manufacture ammonium sulphate and super-phosphate. The raw material used for the production of synthesis gases will be wood. Sulphur and phosphatic rock will have to be imported		35
SUGAR		
A factory to produce sugar utilising the sugar-cane that is grown locally		11
SOCIAL CAPITAL		
Housing	47	
Health	132	
Education	196	