

I.

Army.

A. SUPREME MILITARY AUTHORITY AND ITS ORGANS

The King is the supreme head of the Army.

Ministry of War.

The Ministry of War is organised in 4 departments as follows:
1. Adjutant-General’s Department.
2. General Staff Department.
3. Quartermaster-General’s Department.
4. Aeronautical Department.

B. COMPOSITION OF THE ARMY

The Army on peace footing consists of 2 Army Corps, each of two Divisions, one Cavalry Regiment and one Regiment of Engineers. Each of these Divisions is composed of two regiments of infantry of three battalions each, one regiment of artillery of two groups and one medical unit.

C. RECRUITING SYSTEM

Universal liability to military service has been in force for eighteen years, and the law received its present form in 1917. Every able-bodied man at the age of 21 or 22 is liable to be called to military service. The normal duration of service consists of (a) two years with the colours;
(b) seven years in the first reserve during which the reservist is liable to be called upon for repetition training for a maximum period of two months per year; (c) ten years in the second reserve, during which the reservist is liable to be called for repetition training for a maximum period of thirty days per year; (d) six years in the third reserve.

D. EFFECTIVES OF THE ARMY

The effectives of the active army amount, approximately, to 25,000 officers, non-commissioned officers and men.

II.

Navy.

1929

5 river gunboats:
    Rathanaosindra (1925), armoured gunboat .................. 1,016
    Makut (1888) ................................................. 609
    Bhal (1904) .................................................. 508
    Sugrib (1901) ................................................ 508
    Suriya (1908) ............................................... 228.6

3 destroyers:
    Phra Ruany .................................................. 1,046.5
    Sua Tayanjl ................................................ 381
    Sua Kamronsindhu ................................ .. 381

4 torpedo-boats:
    Nrs1 to 4 of 101.6 tons each .......................... 406.4

Miscellaneous: 10 units.

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1 The figure is not official, and its accuracy cannot be guaranteed.
### Budget Expenditure on National Defence.

The budget expenditure on national defence was as follows for the years 1926-27, 1927-28, 1928-29 and 1929-30:

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