5. Budget

The police budget consists of a national budget and prefectoral budgets. The national government covers expenses to operate the NPA, directly appropriated expenses for Prefectural Police (PP) activities of national significance, and subsidies to supplement PP budgets.

Each prefectoral government pays all expenses to operate its PP, excluding the direct appropriation from the national treasury. However, with the exception of some personnel expenses for Superintendents and lower ranking officers including installation costs, the PP budget can be supplemented by subsidies from the national government.

A. Direct Appropriation from the National Treasury
The following are the major expenses directly appropriated by the national government for use by the PP:
- Salaries and some allowances for Assistant Commissioners and above ranking officers;
- Expenses for police school training, including maintenance and management of training facilities;
- Expenses for the maintenance and management of police communications and telephone charges for police telephone lines;
- Expenses for the purchase of police equipment such as police vehicles, boats and helicopters.

B. Appropriation by Prefectural Government
Prefectural governments appropriate funds for the following use by the PP except for the expenses listed in A:
- Salaries and allowances for Superintendents and lower ranking officers, as well as other personnel expenses including uniforms;
- Expenses for police facilities;
- Expenses for PP activities such as crime prevention, criminal investigation and traffic enforcement.