

Community Affairs Legislation Committee

Examination of Budget Estimates 2009-2010

Additional Information Received

CONSOLIDATED VOLUME 6

CROSS PORTFOLIO INDIGENOUS MATTERS

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and

**EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE
RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

Please note that Additional Information received relating to the Cross Portfolio Indigenous issues hearing for FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO and HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO is included in the volumes for these portfolios

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE EXAMINATION OF BUDGET EXPENDITURE FOR 2009-2010

Included in this volume are answers to written and oral questions taken on notice and tabled papers relating to the supplementary budget estimates hearing on Indigenous matters pursuant to Senate Resolution of 26 August 2008 held on 23 October 2009

*** Please note that the tabling date of 26 November 2009 is the proposed tabling date**

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	tabled by FaHCSIA			
	XT3	2009-10 Closing the Gap - Northern Territory cross agency expenditure report as at 30 September 2009 by agency and theme		29.10.09
	tabled by FaHCSIA			
	XT4	National partnership agreement on remote Indigenous housing capital works activity FY 2009-10		26.11.09
	tabled by FaHCSIA			

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

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History of SIHIP

Outcome 7 - Indigenous

POSSIBLE QUESTION: Background response to set broad context for responses on SIHIP.

TALKING POINTS

1. Discussions with the Northern Territory Government began in early 2007 on how to deliver a larger housing construction program in response to the high level of need in remote Indigenous communities in the NT.
2. This discussion recognised that previous approaches had proved ineffective - delivering new housing in limited numbers supported by limited repairs and maintenance programs and delivered through a variety of small community based housing providers.
3. In particular construction of new houses was not reducing overcrowding and in many places conditions were worsening as a result of high population growth exacerbated by the generally short life-spans for new housing.
4. It was recognised by both the NT Government and the then Howard Government that housing investment in these communities was a critical underpinning to essential services delivered by government and that improvement in housing standards was essential to achieving improved outcomes in areas such as health, education and employment.

5. Both governments also recognised the importance of ensuring that any large-scale investment would deliver significant numbers of robust houses at a reasonable cost.
6. And the value of maximising this investment as a significant opportunity for Indigenous people to secure real jobs with training and work experience that could lead to sustainable employment outcomes and increased economic independence.
7. The governments agreed that an analysis of possible contract methodologies was warranted to identify a method that optimised outcomes and addressed the inefficiencies of existing program delivery methods for remote Indigenous housing.
8. The company selected [***using a select tender***] for this assessment looked at all the various contracting methods in terms of how they could deal with the challenges in delivering remote Indigenous housing and deliver the best possible outcomes for Indigenous communities and government.
9. The clear recommendation was that an Alliance contracting method was the best arrangement. This advice was accepted by both governments.
10. Following that decision a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Northern Territory and Australian Governments in September 2007 which committed over \$500 million in Australian Government funding to a major capital works program which would be delivered under an Alliance methodology.
11. The NT Government added \$100 million over five years to the capital budget.

12. In April 2008 the Government announced the Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program, or SIHIP - a \$672 million program that would provide substantial capital works to 73 remote communities as well as a number of targeted town camps over five years using an Alliance methodology [**original \$527m + \$100m from NTG + \$20m extra + \$25m extra for Tennant Creek, Groote and Tiwi**].
13. Major works including new housing would be delivered in 16 of these communities while refurbishment work to existing house would be provided for the other 57 communities.
14. The targeted town camps would also receive major works including the upgrade of infrastructure services such as power, water, sewerage, roads, drains and street lighting to bring these urban living areas up to the same standard as other suburbs in their respective towns.
15. In terms of this funding, the amount of construction work to be delivered and the number of communities where this work will occur, it was – and is - easily the largest Indigenous housing program undertaken in this country.
16. Following this announcement the NT Government began the procurement process for the Alliance consortiums that would deliver this work.
17. This was an open process run in two stages and completed in October 2008. Three consortiums were chosen, which included some of Australia's largest and most experienced construction companies [**Leightons, Lang O'Rourke etc**].

18. These Alliance consortiums have spent the last 12 months working with Indigenous communities, scoping out the initial capital works and commencing construction. They have also assessed the different housing solutions that could be used to provide large numbers of durable housing at a reasonable cost.
19. Recently the program has been in the public eye, particularly around ensuring that it is achieving the targets set by government of constructing 750 new houses and providing 230 rebuilt houses and 2500 refurbished houses by the end of 2013.
20. The review of SIHIP conducted in August examined these issues and put in place a number of arrangements to ensure that the program will achieve these goals. This includes streamlined management arrangements and greater involvement by the Australian Government in the day to day program management and delivery of the program.
21. We are already seeing the impact of these changes - with Program Management costs reduced from 11.4% to 8% and Alliance Partners setting target costs for new housing, rebuilds and refurbishments that will ensure program targets are met.
 - The capacity to work closely with the Alliance Partners to make the changes required to refocus the program on its key targets is an example of the flexibility and responsiveness of Alliancing.
22. Capital work under the program is now gathering pace - with a number of new houses underway, and 60 rebuilds and refurbishments now underway or completed. This is expected to increase to more than 180 rebuilds and refurbishments underway or completed by December 2009.

23. Arrangements are also being made to transport materials and establish work camps in northern communities so that capital works can continue through the wet season in a financially responsible way.
24. The pace of the program will continue to increase – from 2010 for each year of the program SIHIP will build more than double the number of houses built on average over the last five years:
 - As outlined in the SIHIP Review this would mean 150 houses built by the end of 2010. The current estimate however is that 200 houses will have been completed by that time.
25. An integral element of the housing delivery method is to require long term secure tenure to underpin construction and ongoing housing management and repairs and maintenance. Long term secure tenure ensures responsibility and accountability by government for the provision of publicly funded housing.
26. Both governments have been working closely with the NT Land Councils to obtain long term leases to secure the substantial investment that SIHIP would deliver.
27. There are 19 locations in the Northern Territory where long term leases are required to underpin current allocations of SIHIP funding. As of today leases to government of 40 years or more are in place in 9 locations. In principle agreement for a lease has been provided for several others and negotiations are proceeding elsewhere.

NB: Leases have been signed for 16 of the Alice Springs town camps but execution of these leases is stalled pending legal proceedings.

28. In short, secure tenure is already settled over sufficient locations for SIHIP to operate at capacity for at least the next two calendar years.

29. As the review of SIHIP noted, the tenure requirements have not resulted in any delay in the construction program.
30. Secure tenure is essential to ensure responsibility and accountability for the major public expenditure but also to underpin the reformed tenancy management system which is a central element of ensuring lasting and well maintained assets.
31. The next major challenge is for the Northern Territory Government to bed down the new remote public tenancy management system over a large number of remote communities frequently with limited services infrastructure and housing stock that has historically been and often remains in poor condition.
32. At the heart of effective tenancy arrangements is clarity about the rights and obligations of the tenant and of the landlord. These arrangements have rarely been effective and enforceable under previous land tenure arrangements. The land owner tended not to be and not to have capacity to be manager of the property while the housing manager tended not to have any property rights at all.
33. The new arrangements ensure fair and consistent rules while catering for the unique cultural circumstances which operate in communities. Tenants must pay their rent and look after their houses but also will have enforceable rights and clarity that government is responsible for providing effective repairs and maintenance.
34. While there have been some teething problems in establishing these new arrangements both governments understand how critical it is to have an effective property and tenancy management system to support the major capital improvements to housing that SIHIP will deliver – something that was expressly acknowledged in the Review.

35. As part of the increased role for Australian Government we will be working closely with the Northern Territory Government to support them in establishing this new system.

**2008-09 Northern Territory Emergency Response
Cross Agency Expenditure Report
as at 30 June 2009
BY AGENCY**

AGENCY	THEME	MEASURE	Total Admin Budget \$m	YTD Admin Exp \$m	% Spent	Total Dept Budget \$m	YTD Dept Exp \$m	% Spent	Total NTER Reportable Budget (Admin + Dept) \$m	Total YTD Exp (Admin + Dept) \$m	% Spent
AGD	Promoting Law & Order	Violence & Child Abuse Taskforce (ACC)				4.2	4.2	100%	4.2	4.2	100%
		Aboriginal Interpreter service	0.7	0.7	100%	0.1	0.1	100%	0.8	0.8	100%
		Indigenous Legal Aid	4.9	4.9	100%				4.9	4.9	100%
		Night Patrol services	14.5	14.5	100%	0.6	0.6	100%	15.1	15.1	100%
		Promoting Law & Order (AFP)				9.2	8.1	88%	9.2	8.1	88%
	Total AGD		20.1	20.1	100%	14.0	13.0	92%	34.1	33.1	97%
DEEWR	Enhancing Education	Enhancing Education	18.6	18.3	98%	0.5	0.5	100%	19.1	18.8	98%
		School Nutrition	6.9	6.9	100%	0.5	0.5	100%	7.4	7.4	100%
		Greater Enrolment; + 200 Teachers	11.6	6.9	59%				11.6	6.9	59%
	Subtotal		37.1	32.1	87%	1.1	1.1	100%	38.2	33.2	87%
	Supporting Families	Creches	2.3	2.2	99%				2.3	2.2	99%
		Subtotal		2.3	2.2	99%				2.3	2.2
	Employment & Welfare Reform	Further Welfare & Employment Reform	31.7	31.3	99%	21.1	21.1	100%	52.8	52.4	99%
		Subtotal		31.7	31.3	99%	21.1	21.1	100%	52.8	52.4
	Total DEEWR		71.1	65.6	92%	22.2	22.2	100%	93.2	87.8	94%
	DHS	Employment & Welfare Reform	Centrelink Services and Activities (Note 3)				5.8	5.2	90%	5.8	5.2
Income Management - Debit Card Set Up						7.0	4.6	65%	7.0	4.6	65%
Income Management - DHS Only (Note 1)			0.2	0.2	100%	4.3	4.3	100%	4.4	4.4	100%
Total DHS			0.2	0.2	100%	17.1	14.1	82%	17.3	14.2	82%
DoHA	Improving Health	Follow Up Health Care	13.6	14.4	106%				13.6	14.4	106%
		Improve Child and Family Health	39.0	39.0	100%	6.5	5.1	78%	45.5	44.1	97%
	Total DoHA		52.6	53.3	101%	6.5	5.1	78%	59.1	58.4	99%
FaHCSIA (Excluding NTER - Flexible Funding Pool Special A/C)	Coordination	Community Engagement	0.9	0.9	100%	2.9	2.8	95%	3.8	3.7	96%
		Leadership and Coordination Activities	11.5	11.5	100%	21.4	18.7	88%	32.9	30.2	92%
		Government Business Managers				36.5	35.2	97%	36.5	35.2	97%
		Remote Accommodation				7.3	7.2	98%	7.3	7.2	98%
		NTER Asbestos	0.9	0.1	0%	0.4	0.1	25%	1.3	0.2	16%
	Subtotal		13.3	12.5	94%	68.5	64.0	93%	81.8	76.5	94%
	Employment & Welfare Reform	Income Management - FaHCSIA only	5.1	5.1	100%	4.4	4.1	91%	9.6	9.2	96%
		Income Management - Appropriated to FaHCSIA and Paid to Centrelink (Note 3)				84.5	82.0	97%	84.5	82.0	97%
	Subtotal		5.1	5.1	100%	89.0	86.1	97%	94.1	91.2	97%
	Law & Order	Promoting Law & Order	15.6	15.6	100%	0.6	0.6	104%	16.2	16.2	100%
		Subtotal		15.6	15.6	100%	0.6	0.6	104%	16.2	16.2
	Supporting Families	Early Childhood Programs	0.4	0.4	100%				0.4	0.4	100%
		Playgroups	0.6	0.6	100%	0.1	0.1	104%	0.6	0.6	100%
		Youth Alcohol Diversion	8.8	8.8	100%	0.7	0.8	104%	9.5	9.6	100%
Family Support Package		9.5	9.5	100%	0.3	0.3	102%	9.8	9.8	100%	
Subtotal		19.3	19.3	100%	1.1	1.2	103%	20.4	20.5	100%	
Total FaHCSIA		53.4	52.6	99%	159.1	151.8	95%	212.5	204.4	96%	
PM&C - Ombudsman's Office	Coordination				1.0	1.0	102%	1.0	1.0	102%	
Total (Excluding NTER - Flexible Funding Pool Special A/C)			197.3	191.8	97%	220.0	207.2	94%	417.2	398.9	96%
FaHCSIA	Employment & Welfare Reform	NTER - Flexible Funding Pool Special A/C	68.0	68.0	100%	7.9	7.9	100%	76.0	76.0	100%
Total Budget			265.3	259.8	98%	227.9	215.1	94%	493.2	474.9	96%

Notes:

- 1) DHS Income management - \$154,000 in Administered funding identified and expended since last report
- 2) The figure provided previously of \$0.8m represented funds allocated to specific activities, the revised figure of \$1.02m includes overheads and senior staffing
- 3) Budget and Expenditure for Centrelink have been adjusted down to exclude Depreciation of \$2.079m for Income Management and \$0.32m for Centrelink Services and Activities

**2008-09 Northern Territory Emergency Response
Cross Agency Expenditure Report
as at 30 June 2009
BY THEME**

THEME	AGENCY	MEASURE	Total Admin Budget \$'m	YTD Admin Exp \$'m	% Spent	Total Dept Budget \$'m	YTD Dept Exp \$'m	% Spent	Total NTER Reportable Budget (Admin + Dept) \$m	Total YTD Exp (Admin + Dept) \$m	% Spent	
Coordination	FaHCSIA	Community Engagement	0.9	0.9	100%	2.9	2.8	95%	3.8	3.7	96%	
	FaHCSIA	Leadership and Coordination Activities	11.5	11.5	100%	21.4	18.7	88%	32.9	30.2	92%	
	FaHCSIA	Government Business Managers				36.5	35.2	97%	36.5	35.2	97%	
	FaHCSIA	Remote Accommodation				7.3	7.2	98%	7.3	7.2	98%	
	FaHCSIA	NTER Asbestos	0.9	0.1	12%	0.4	0.1	25%	1.3	0.2	16%	
		FaHCSIA sub total		13.3	12.5	94%	68.5	64.0	93%	81.8	76.5	94%
	Omb Off.	Commonwealth Ombudsman Support (Note 2)				1.0	1.0	102%	1.0	1.0	102%	
Total Coordination			13.3	12.5	94%	69.5	65.0	94%	82.8	77.5	94%	
Enhancing Education	DEEWR	Enhancing Education	18.6	18.3	98%	0.5	0.5	100%	19.1	18.8	98%	
	DEEWR	School Nutrition	6.9	6.9	100%	0.5	0.5	100%	7.4	7.4	100%	
	DEEWR	Greater Enrolment; + 200 Teachers	11.6	6.9	59%				11.6	6.9	59%	
Total Enhancing Education			37.1	32.1	87%	1.1	1.1	100%	38.2	33.2	87%	
Employment & Welfare Reform	FaHCSIA	Income Management - FaHCSIA only	5.1	5.1	100%	4.4	4.1	91%	9.6	9.2	96%	
	FaHCSIA	Income Management - Appropriated to FaHCSIA and Paid to Centrelink (Note 3)				84.5	82.0	97%	84.5	82.0	97%	
	FaHCSIA sub total			5.1	5.1	100%	89.0	86.1	97%	94.1	91.2	97%
	DEEWR	Further Welfare & Employment Reform	31.7	31.3	99%	21.1	21.1	100%	52.8	52.4	99%	
	DHS	Centrelink Services and Activities (Note 3)				5.8	5.2	90%	5.8	5.2	90%	
	DHS	Income Management - Debit Card Set Up				7.0	4.6	65%	7.0	4.6	65%	
	DHS	Income Management - DHS Only (Note 1)	0.2	0.2	100%	4.3	4.3	100%	4.4	4.4	100%	
DHS sub total			0.2	0.2		17.1	14.1	82%	17.3	14.2	82%	
Total Employment & Welfare Reform			37.0	36.6	99%	127.2	121.2	95%	164.1	157.8	96%	
Improving Health	DoHA	Follow Up Health Care	13.6	14.4	106%				13.6	14.4	106%	
	DoHA	Improve Child and Family Health	39.0	39.0	100%	6.5	5.1	78%	45.5	44.1	97%	
Total Improving Health			52.6	53.3	101%	6.5	5.1	78%	59.1	58.4	99%	
Promoting Law & Order	AGD (ACC)	Violence & Child Abuse Taskforce (ACC)				4.2	4.2	100%	4.2	4.2	100%	
	AGD	Aboriginal Interpreter service	0.7	0.7	100%	0.1	0.1	100%	0.8	0.8	100%	
	AGD	Indigenous Legal Aid	4.9	4.9	100%				4.9	4.9	100%	
	AGD	Night Patrol services	14.5	14.5	100%	0.6	0.6	100%	15.1	15.1	100%	
	AGD (AFP)	Promoting Law & Order (AFP)				9.2	8.1	88%	9.2	8.1	88%	
	AGD sub total			20.1	20.1	100%	14.0	13.0	92%	34.1	33.1	97%
FaHCSIA	Promoting Law & Order	15.6	15.6	100%	0.6	0.6	104%	16.2	16.2	100%		
Total Promoting Law & Order			35.7	35.7	100%	14.6	13.5	93%	50.4	49.3	98%	
Supporting Families	DEEWR	Creches	2.3	2.2	99%				2.3	2.2	99%	
	FaHCSIA	Early Childhood Programs	0.4	0.4	100%				0.4	0.4	100%	
	FaHCSIA	Playgroups	0.6	0.6	100%	0.1	0.1	104%	0.6	0.6	100%	
	FaHCSIA	Youth Alcohol Diversion	8.8	8.8	100%	0.7	0.8	104%	9.5	9.6	100%	
	FaHCSIA	Family Support Package	9.5	9.5	100%	0.3	0.3	102%	9.8	9.8	100%	
	FaHCSIA sub total			19.3	19.3	100%	1.1	1.2	103%	20.4	20.5	100%
Total Supporting Families			21.5	21.5	100%	1.1	1.2	103%	22.7	22.7	100%	
Total (Excluding NTER - Flexible Funding Pool Special A/C)			197.3	191.8	97%	220.0	207.2	94%	417.2	398.9	96%	
Employment & Welfare Reform	FaHCSIA	NTER - Flexible Funding -Special A/C	68.0	68.0	100%	7.9	7.9	100%	76.0	76.0	100%	
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**2009-10 Closing the Gap - Northern Territory
Cross Agency Expenditure Report
as at 30 September 2009
BY AGENCY**

Agency	Theme	Measure	Administered			Departmental			Total		
			Budget \$m	YTD Exp \$m	%	Budget \$m	YTD Exp \$m	%	Budget \$m	YTD Exp \$m	%
AGD	Law and Order	Aboriginal Interpreter service	0.6	0.2	33%				0.6	0.2	33%
		Indigenous Legal Aid	2.5	-	0%				2.5	-	0%
		Law & Order	21.7	4.8	22%	0.8	0.2	25%	22.5	5.0	22%
		National Indigenous Violence and Child Abuse Taskforce (ACC)				5.5	2.1	37%	5.5	2.1	37%
		NTER - Promoting Law & Order (AFP)				9.3	2.7	29%	9.3	2.7	29%
		Welfare Rights Outreach Project	1.0	-	0%				1.0	-	0%
	AGD Total			25.8	5.0	20%	15.6	5.0	32%	41.3	10.0
DEEWR (Note 3)	Enhancing Education	Accelerating Literacy (see Note 4)	1.2	-	0%	0.3	0.1	25%	1.4	0.1	4%
		Greater Enrolment/200 Teachers	20.0	0.7	3%				20.0	0.7	3%
		Quality Teaching (see Note 4)	1.2	-	0%	0.3	0.1	25%	1.4	0.1	5%
		School nutrition	11.0	1.0	9%	1.3	0.3	25%	12.3	1.3	11%
		Teacher housing	11.0	-	0%	0.2	0.1	25%	11.2	0.1	0%
	Subtotal	44.3	1.7	4%	2.0	0.5	25%	46.3	2.2	5%	
	Welfare Reform and Employment	Language Literacy & Numeracy	0.8	0.0	5%	0.2	0.0	25%	1.0	0.1	8%
		Subtotal	0.8	0.0	5%	0.2	0.0	25%	1.0	0.1	8%
	Supporting Families	Creches	4.3	0.4	10%	0.2	0.0	25%	4.4	0.5	10%
		Subtotal	4.3	0.4	10%	0.2	0.0	25%	4.4	0.5	10%
DEEWR Total			49.4	2.1	4%	2.4	0.6	25%	51.8	2.7	5%
DHS	Enhancing Education	School Nutrition (Centrelink)				1.4	0.2	14%	1.4	0.2	14%
		Subtotal				1.4	0.2	14%	1.4	0.2	14%
	Welfare Reform and Employment	Basics Card - Income Management Card replacement Project (DHS)				4.3	1.8	41%	4.3	1.8	41%
		Income Management (DHS)	3.2	-	0%	1.2	0.5	41%	4.4	0.5	11%
		Income Management (Centrelink)				82.3	19.2	23%	82.3	19.2	23%
		Income Management Card Replacement Project (Centrelink)				5.9	0.3	5%	5.9	0.3	5%
	Subtotal	3.2	-	0%	93.8	21.8	23%	97.0	21.8	22%	
DHS Total	3.2	-	0%	95.2	22.0	23%	98.4	22.0	22%		
DoHA (Note 2)	Improving Health	Better Outcomes for Hosp. and Health	1.5	-	0%				1.5	-	0%
		Indigenous Health and Related Services	5.3	0.1	2%	1.2	0.3	25%	6.5	0.4	6%
		Improved Child and Family Health	49.4	2.5	5%	4.2	1.1	25%	53.6	3.5	7%
DoHA Total			56.2	2.6	5%	5.5	1.4	25%	61.7	4.0	6%
FaHCSIA (Note 1)	Coordination on the Ground	Coordination and Policy Advice				3.9	1.0	25%	3.9	1.0	25%
		Field Operations - Capital				2.4	0.6	25%	2.4	0.6	25%
		Field Operations - GBM's				25.1	6.3	25%	25.1	6.3	25%
		Local Priorities Fund	10.0	0.5	5%				10.0	0.5	5%
		NTER Asbestos	15.2	0.1	1%	0.5	0.1	25%	15.7	0.3	2%
		Resetting the Relationship	4.6	-	0%	5.0	1.3	25%	9.6	1.3	13%
		Subtotal	29.8	0.6	2%	36.9	9.2	25%	66.7	9.8	15%
	Welfare Reform and Employment	Community Stores	3.4	0.1	3%	4.5	1.1	25%	7.9	1.2	15%
		Financial Management	4.3	0.7	16%	0.6	0.1	25%	4.9	0.8	17%
		Income Management - FaHCSIA				2.8	0.7	25%	2.8	0.7	25%
	Subtotal	7.7	0.8	10%	8.0	2.0	25%	15.6	2.8	18%	
	Law and Order	Remote Policing & Substance Abuse	7.0	0.0	0%	0.9	0.2	25%	7.9	0.2	3%
		Subtotal	7.0	0.0	0%	0.9	0.2	25%	7.9	0.2	3%
	Supporting Families	Early Childhood	0.4	0.1	34%	0.1	0.0	25%	0.5	0.2	32%
Playgroups		0.1	-	0%	0.2	0.1	25%	0.3	0.1	16%	
The Way Forward		5.1	-	0%	0.4	0.1	25%	5.5	0.1	2%	
Youth Diversion		8.8	-	0%	0.5	0.1	25%	9.3	0.1	1%	
Subtotal	14.4	0.1	1%	1.2	0.3	25%	15.6	0.4	3%		
FaHCSIA Total			58.9	1.5	3%	46.9	11.7	25%	105.8	13.2	13%
PM&C (Ombudsman)	Coordination on the Ground	Commonwealth Ombudsman Support				0.8	0.2	29%	0.8	-	0%
		PM&C (Ombudsman) Total				0.8	0.2	29%	0.8	0.2	29%
Treasury (DEEWR)	Enhancing Education	Accelerating Literacy (See Note 4)	6.8	-	0%				6.8	-	0%
		Quality Teaching (See Note 4)	6.6	-	0%				6.6	-	0%
DEEWR Subtotal			13.4	-	0%				13.4	-	0%
Treasury (DoHA)	Improving Health	Health and Related Services	8.0	3.1	39%				8.0	3.1	39%
		DoHA Subtotal	8.0	3.1	39%				8.0	3.1	39%
Treasury (FaHCSIA)	Coordination on the Ground	Field Operations - Interpreters	0.9	0.2	25%				0.9	0.2	25%
		Welfare Reform and Employment	Community Stores	0.3	0.1	17%				0.3	0.1
	Law and Order	Policing	31.4	6.9	22%				31.4	6.9	22%
		Supporting Families	The Way Forward	5.1	1.1	21%				5.1	1.1
FaHCSIA Subtotal			37.7	8.3	22%				37.7	8.3	22%
Treasury Total			59.0	11.4	19%				59.0	11.4	19%
Total Funding (excluding Special Account)			252.5	22.6	9%	166.3	40.9	25%	418.8	63.5	15%
FaHCSIA	Welfare Reform and Employment	Indigenous Employment Special Account	68.4	68.4	100%	7.9	7.9	100%	76.3	76.3	100%
Total Funding			320.9	91.0	28%	174.2	48.7	28%	495.1	139.7	28%

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**2009-10 Closing the Gap - Northern Territory
Cross Agency Expenditure Report
as at 30 September 2009
BY THEME**

Theme	Agency	Measure	Administered			Departmental			Total		
			Budget \$m	YTD Exp \$m	%	Budget \$m	YTD Exp \$m	%	Budget \$m	YTD Exp \$m	%
Coordination on the Ground	FaHCSIA (Note 1)	Coordination and Policy Advice				3.9	1.0	25%	3.9	1.0	25%
		Field Operations - Capital				2.4	0.6	25%	2.4	0.6	25%
		Field Operations - GBMs				25.1	6.3	25%	25.1	6.3	25%
		Local Priorities Fund	10.0	0.5	5%				10.0	0.5	5%
		NTER Asbestos	15.2	0.1	1%	0.5	0.1	25%	15.7	0.3	2%
		Resetting the Relationship	4.6	-	0%	5.0	1.3	25%	9.6	1.3	13%
		Subtotal	29.8	0.6	2%	36.9	9.2	25%	66.7	9.8	15%
	Treasury (FaHCSIA)	Field Operations - Interpreters	0.9	0.2	25%				0.9	0.2	25%
		Subtotal	0.9	0.2	25%				0.9	0.2	25%
	PM&C (Ombudsman)	Commonwealth Ombudsman Support				0.8	0.2	29%	0.8	0.2	29%
	Subtotal				0.8	0.2	29%	0.8	0.2	29%	
Coordination and Policy Advice Total			30.7	0.8	3%	37.7	9.5	25%	68.4	10.3	15%
Enhancing Education	DEEWR (Note 3)	Accelerating Literacy (see Note 4)	1.2	-	0%	0.3	0.1	25%	1.4	0.1	4%
		Greater Enrolment/200 Teachers	20.0	0.7	3%				20.0	0.7	3%
		Quality Teaching (see Note 4)	1.2	-	0%	0.3	0.1	25%	1.4	0.1	5%
		School Nutrition	11.0	1.0	9%	1.3	0.3	25%	12.3	1.3	11%
		Teacher Housing	11.0	-	0%	0.2	0.1	25%	11.2	0.1	0%
		Subtotal	44.3	1.7	4%	2.0	0.5	25%	46.3	2.2	5%
	Treasury (DEEWR)	Accelerating Literacy (see Note 4)	6.8	-	0%				6.8	-	0%
		Quality Teaching (see Note 4)	6.6	-	0%				6.6	-	0%
		Subtotal	13.4	-	0%				13.4	-	0%
	DHS	School Nutrition (Centrelink)				1.4	0.2	14%	1.4	0.2	14%
	Subtotal				1.4	0.2	14%	1.4	0.2	14%	
Enhancing Education Total			57.7	1.7	3%	3.5	0.7	20%	61.1	2.4	4%
Welfare Reform and Employment	DEEWR (Note 3)	Language, Literacy & Numeracy	0.8	0.0	5%	0.2	0.0	25%	1.0	0.1	8%
		Subtotal	0.8	0.0	5%	0.2	0.0	25%	1.0	0.1	8%
	DHS	Basics Card - Income Management Card Replacement Project (DHS)				4.3	1.8	41%	4.3	1.8	41%
		Income Management (DHS)	3.2	-	0%	1.2	0.5	41%	4.4	0.5	11%
		Income Management (Centrelink)				82.3	19.2	23%	82.3	19.2	23%
		Income Management Card Replacement Project (Centrelink)				5.9	0.3	5%	5.9	0.3	5%
		Subtotal	3.2	-	0%	93.8	21.8	23%	97.0	21.8	22%
	FaHCSIA (Note 1)	Community Stores	3.4	0.1	3%	4.5	1.1	25%	7.9	1.2	15%
		Financial Management	4.3	0.7	16%	0.6	0.1	25%	4.9	0.8	17%
		Income Management - FaHCSIA				2.8	0.7	25%	2.8	0.7	25%
	Subtotal	7.7	0.8	10%	8.0	2.0	25%	15.6	2.8	18%	
Treasury (FaHCSIA)	Community Stores	0.3	0.1	17%				0.3	0.1	17%	
	Subtotal	0.3	0.1	17%				0.3	0.1	17%	
Employment & Welfare Reform Total			12.0	0.9	7%	101.9	23.8	23%	113.9	24.7	22%
Improving Health	DoHA (Note 2)	Better Outcomes for Hosp. and Health	1.5	-	0%				1.5	-	0%
		Indigenous Health and Related Services	5.3	0.1	2%	1.2	0.3	25%	6.5	0.4	6%
		Improved Child and Family Health	49.4	2.5	5%	4.2	1.1	25%	53.6	3.5	7%
		Subtotal	56.2	2.6	5%	5.5	1.4	25%	61.7	4.0	6%
	Treasury (DoHA)	Health and Related Services	8.0	3.1	39%				8.0	3.1	39%
	Subtotal	8.0	3.1	39%				8.0	3.1	39%	
Improving Health Total			64.2	5.7	9%	5.5	1.4	25%	69.7	7.0	10%
Law and Order	AGD	Aboriginal Interpreter service	0.6	0.2	33%				0.6	0.2	33%
		Indigenous Legal Aid	2.5	-	0%				2.5	-	0%
		Law & Order	21.7	4.8	22%	0.8	0.2	25%	22.5	5.0	22%
		National Indigenous Violence and Child Abuse Taskforce (ACC)				5.5	2.1	37%	5.5	2.1	37%
		NTER - Promoting Law & Order (AFP)				9.3	2.7	29%	9.3	2.7	29%
		Welfare Rights Outreach Project	1.0	-	0%				1.0	-	0%
		Subtotal	25.8	5.0	20%	15.6	5.0	32%	41.3	10.0	24%
	FaHCSIA (Note 1)	Policing	7.0	0.0	0%	0.9	0.2	25%	7.9	0.2	3%
		Subtotal	7.0	0.0	0%	0.9	0.2	25%	7.9	0.2	3%
	Treasury (FaHCSIA)	Policing	31.4	6.9	22%				31.4	6.9	22%
	Subtotal	31.4	6.9	22%				31.4	6.9	22%	
Law and Order Total			64.2	12.0	19%	16.5	5.2	32%	80.6	17.2	21%
Supporting Families	DEEWR (Note 3)	Creches	4.3	0.4	10%	0.2	0.0	25%	4.4	0.5	10%
		Subtotal	4.3	0.4	10%	0.2	0.0	25%	4.4	0.5	10%
	FaHCSIA (Note 1)	Early Childhood	0.4	0.1	34%	0.1	0.0	25%	0.5	0.2	32%
		Playgroups	0.1	-	0%	0.2	0.1	25%	0.3	0.1	16%
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		Subtotal	14.4	0.1	1%	1.2	0.3	25%	15.6	0.4	3%
	Treasury (FaHCSIA)	The Way Forward	5.1	1.1	21%				5.1	1.1	21%
		Subtotal	5.1	1.1	21%				5.1	1.1	21%
	Supporting Families Total			23.7	1.6	7%	1.4	0.3	25%	25.1	2.0
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**National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing
Capital Works Activity FY 2009-10**

Jurisdiction	Community Name	No of New Houses #	No of Refurbishments #
Western Australia	Ardyaloon Beagle Bay Bidyadanga Bindi Bindi Bungardi Coonana Darlungaya Djugerari Jigalong Kalumburu Kupungarri Kurnangki Mardiwah Loop Mungullah Nicholson Block Pandanus Park Parukupan Pia Wadjari Tjuntjuntjara Wannan Warmun Wirrimanu Wongatha Wonganara Yardgee Yiyili	75	150*
South Australia	Amata Mimili Fregon Pipalytjara	44**	63
Queensland	Aurukun Coen Doomadgee Hope Vale Kowanyama Lockhart River Mornington Island Mossman Gorge Napranum Palm Island Wujal Wujal	65	150***

Jurisdiction	Community Name	No of New Houses #	No of Refurbishments#
NSW	Armidale	50	50****
	Bourke		
	Brewarrina		
	Broken Hill		
	Cobar		
	Coonamble		
	Dubbo		
	Lake Cargelligo		
	Lightning Ridge		
	Moree		
	Narrabri		
	Nyngan		
	Tamworth		
	Wagga Wagga		
Walgett			
Wilcannia			
Tasmania	Cape Barren Island	2	12
	Flinders Island		

communities will receive a combination of new houses and refurbishments or refurbishments only.

* The target is 150 refurbishments, however, the Western Australian Government has indicated that up to 170 refurbishments may be completed this financial year.

**This includes 4 temporary accommodation units.

*** The target for Queensland is 150, however, the Queensland Government has indicated that up to 493 refurbishments may be completed this financial year.

**** The location of refurbishment activity is still under consideration by the NSW Government. The location of new houses includes those selected for the purposes of providing Employment Related Accommodation to residents from remote communities.

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
CROSS PORTFOLIO SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10
DEPT OF EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

Outcome: 4

DEEWR Question No. CA025_10

Senator Scullion asked on 23 October 2009, EEWHR Hansard pages 57 & 58.

Question

Work Experience

The types of activities and perhaps by region the number of people participating in remote area Indigenous Work Experience activities.

Senator SCULLION—I realise that this is a big request, and no doubt Dr Harmer will find a balance for me. If the information is available on the public record do not worry about it. I would like the types of activities and perhaps by region the number of people participating. That would be very useful. Dr Harmer may respond with regard to where we are up to in the assessment of the new process that was introduced on 1 July.

Answer

In the lead up discussions to the first part of Senator Scullion's question, the Department advised the hearing that in remote areas there were 4709 job seeker placements in Work Experience activities from 1 July 2009 to 30 September 2009.

At 31 October, there were 5975 job seeker placements in Work Experience activities in remote areas - an increase of 1266 or 26.9%. The breakdown of these remote job seeker placements, by activity type and state, is included in the table below.

Table 1: Remote Job Seeker Placements by State by Activity Type

State	CDEP	Training	Brokered Unpaid Work Experience	Defence Force (Reserves)	Part Time/Casual Paid Employment	Voluntary Work in community/non profit sector	Group Based Activities	Total
New South Wales	65	140	0		26	2	43	276
Northern Territory	2,456	465	17		61	18	49	3,066
Queensland	768	265	0	2	61	7	67	1170
South Australia	69	87	0		36	15	41	248
Western Australia	579	540	10		58	13	15	1215
Total	3937	1497	27	2	242	55	215	5975

^ "Group based activities" includes activities such as Work for the Dole, Green Corps and Drought Force.