

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2012-13 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 7

**Question No:** 331

**Topic:** Brewarrina Shearing School

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Scullion** asked:

When is the next Brewarrina Shearing School intake likely to commence?  
What impact has the Government's decision to replace the IEP with the Remote Jobs and Communities Program likely to have on the ILC Indigenous employment and training projects?

**Answer:**

The latest intake at the Merriman Shearing School commenced on Monday 18 March 2013.

In relation to the introduction of the Remote Jobs and Communities Program (RJCP) and the transition of remote Indigenous Employment Program into RJCP the Indigenous Land Corporation (ILC), Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations and the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs are working together to ensure job seekers benefit from the new program and are able to take up training and employment opportunities with the ILC.