

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2007-2008 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome

DEST Question No. E64B_08

Senator Crossin provided in writing.

Question:

For each of the following Budget Measures

- Expanding the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme to Year 9 students (\$15.6m over three years; \$3.7 million in 2006-07)
- Using sport to improve young Indigenous people's education and life prospects (\$19.6m over four years; \$3.4 million in 2006-07)

Can you please tell us:

1. How much has been expended in 2006-07?
2. Please provide departmental/ administered breakdown?
3. Please provide details of what has been achieved on the ground to date?
4. What outcomes have been achieved to date?

Answer:

Indigenous Budget Measures

Expanding the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme to vocational education and training students (\$21.8m over four years; \$3.1m in 2006-07)

1. This element commenced in January 2007. At 10 July 2007 approximately \$1.6 million had been committed, and approximately \$0.8 million had been paid under Provider Administered arrangements.
2. The breakdown of departmental and administered funds allocation for VET Tuition is:

2006-07 (\$m)			2007-08 (\$m)			2008-09 (\$m)			2009-10 (\$m)			TOTAL (\$m)		
Admin	Dept	Sub-total	Admin	Dept	Sub-total	Admin	Dept	Sub-total	Admin	Dept	Sub-total	Admin	Dept	Total
2.9	0.1	3.1	6.0	0.1	6.1	6.1	0.1	6.2	6.2	0.1	6.4	21.3	0.5	21.8

Source: Portfolio Budget Statements 2006-07 – Education, Science and Training Portfolio, p.22

3. & 4. At 10 July 2007, 13 education providers had agreements to deliver VET Tuition. The VET Tuition element has been operational from the beginning of 2007. 2007 performance reports by providers are due 31 May 2008.

Expanding the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme to Year 9 students (\$15.6m over three years; \$3.7 million in 2006-07)

1. Year 9 tuition is a component of the Year 9, 10, 11 and 12 Tuition programme element. Expenditure of Year 9 tuition since January 2007 cannot readily be isolated from within the full programme expenditure.
2. The breakdown of departmental and administered funds allocation for Year 9 tuition is:

2006-07 (\$m)			2007-08 (\$m)			2008-09 (\$m)			TOTAL (\$m)		
Admin	Dept	Sub-total	Admin	Dept	Sub-total	Admin	Dept	Sub-total	Admin	Dept	Total
3.7	-	3.7	7.8	-	7.8	4.1	-	4.1	15.6	-	15.6

Source: Portfolio Budget Statements 2006-07 – Education, Science and Training Portfolio, p.22

3. & 4. At 10 July 2007, 29 agreements had been executed or were in the process of being negotiated with education providers to provide tutorial assistance to Year 9, 10, 11 and 12 students. The Year 9 tuition has been operational from the beginning of 2007. 2007 performance reports by providers are due 31 May 2008.