

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
2 and 3 NOVEMBER 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation

Output Group 3.2: Labour Market Strategies

Output 3.2.3: CDEP Management

Question Number: W450-06

Question:

Senator Crossin asked in writing:

At the last estimates a figure of 225 CDEPs nationwide was provided. Is this still the case or have there been any closures, suspensions or mergers since then? If so which ones? Are any still under any special administration arrangements?

Answer:

The previous estimate was based on CDEP organisations contracted for the 2004-05 financial year. These contracts have expired and 221 organisations were contracted to provide CDEP services as a result of the 2005-06 contracting process. Since that time two CDEP organisations have handed their responsibilities over to new CDEP organisations and an additional CDEP organisation has been contracted as follows:

- Turkey Bore and Tjutjunpiri Community Aboriginal Corporation withdrew their application for funding for 2005-06 (Ninti Corporate Services Pty Ltd commenced on 5 September 2005 to provide services previously provided by this CDEP);
- The Kununurra Regional Economic Aboriginal Corporation (KREAC) was restructured (East Kimberley CDEP Pty Ltd commenced 1 October 2005 to provide services previously provided by this CDEP); and
- Gapuwiyak Community Council Incorporated was contracted on 4 July 2005.

There are currently 222 CDEP organisations.

In regard to special administrative arrangements, there are currently 5 CDEP organisations under Funds Controllers.