

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 1
Output Group: 1.2

DEST Question No. E695_07

Senator Crossin provided in writing on 1 November 2006.

Question:

- a) Can you give an updated breakdown of the release of PSPI funds in the NT?
- b) The dates these funds were released to schools/clusters?
- c) Can you do this by remote and urban school please?
- d) When do you expect to release round 2 funds for 2006?
- e) Can you list homework centres separately in 2006?

Answer:

- a) Yes. See Attachment A.
- b) DEST enters into a funding agreement with the relevant provider for each approved initiative and funds are released in accordance with the arrangements specified in the agreements. Agreements will usually provide for release of funds by installments over the life of the initiative at particular milestone points.
- c) Yes. See Attachment A.
- d) Announcements for Whole of School Intervention Strategy projects for Round 2 were made in November 2006. Since that time negotiations have been undertaken with providers to enter into funding agreements. Funds are released by DEST in accordance with the timelines specified in individual funding agreements.
- e) The list at Attachment A identifies Homework Centres approved in 2006.