

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government

Budget Estimates 25 May 2011

**Question: 13**

**Topic: EKDP Tenders**

**Asked By: Senator MACDONALD**

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**Senator IAN MACDONALD:** In response to question no. 12—and again I thank you for the response—I was asking in the last estimates about the \$44 million of projects that are not yet tendered. I was told they are tendered but have not yet started. The answer to my question on notice was that all projects have now been tendered. Can you tell me about that? Who has been engaged to do those projects?

**Ms Fleming:** I would have to take that on notice, but I might be able to get you an answer to that in this session.

**Answer:** At Additional Estimates, there were \$44 million worth of projects that were tendered but not started, and \$11.7 worth of projects untendered.

The \$44 million worth of projects that were tendered but not started, as at Senate Estimates in February 2011 were:

- Short Stay Patient Accommodation (\$4.0m) – now under construction
- Kununurra Hospital Expansion (\$20.0m)
- Remote Aged Care (\$4.0m)
- Remote Clinics (\$5.5m)
- Community Meeting Rooms (\$2.3m)

These projects are collectively valued at \$35.8m and are part of a managing contractor contract awarded to John Holland.

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- Wyndham Early Learning Centre (\$1.6m) – contract awarded to Freo Group Ltd - now under construction
- Wyndham Community Jetty (\$7.0m) – contract awarded to Maritime Constructions Pty Ltd - now under construction

The contractual status of the four projects, valued at \$11.7 million that were untendered, as at Senate Estimates in February 2011:

- Jungdranung Early Childhood Building (\$1.0m) - Contract awarded to Kimberley Green Constructions – now under construction
- Health Service Provider Housing (\$5.0m) – Contract awarded to Franmore Constructions – now under construction
- Kununurra Hostel Oval (\$1.25m) – Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley are managing the various elements of this work (which consists of water reticulation, car park construction, surface preparation), and will either complete the work with internal resources or manage small sub-contracts
- MG-Gelganyem Shared Facility (\$4.5m) – Contract awarded to Norbuilt Pty Ltd – now under construction.