

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Budget Estimates 26 May-6 June 2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Torres Strait Regional Authority

Outcome/Program: 1.1 Prime Minister and Cabinet

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Senator: Senator Jan McLucas

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Question: Senator McLUCAS: Yes. So that grant program covers CDEP, the Major Infrastructure Program and the grants program. Is there anything else that is covered?

Mr de Mamiel: Yes, there are a significant number of activities in each of the eight programs. If you wanted that detail we could certainly provide that. We do not have it here today.

Senator McLUCAS: That might help, actually. If you could provide that on notice—

Mr de Mamiel: We will take that on notice.

Senator McLUCAS: I am looking for a disaggregation of CDEP. When does that finish? The MIP5—that finishes and, yes, I understand that you are hoping to get another MIP up. But then, with all those grants, even if you could break them down to the eight programs that would assist in trying to work out the halving of that income over the forward estimates.

Mr de Mamiel: Yes.

Answer:

Part A.

The Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) Grants budget for 2014/2015 is as follows:

Name	TSRA Program Area	Amount \$
Arts Grants	Culture Arts & Heritage	600,000
Arts Development Program	Culture Arts & Heritage	215,000
CDEP Wages	Economic Development	3,176,460
Community Economic Incentive Scheme	Economic Development	500,000
Industry Development	Economic Development	2,800,000
Community Training Projects	Economic Development	739,540
Torres Strait Island Media Association	Governance & Leadership	1,000,000
Prescribed Body Corporate Support	Governance & Leadership	140,000
Capacity Building	Governance & Leadership	218,000

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Seawalls	Healthy Communities	3,500,000
Major Infrastructure Program	Healthy Communities	7,400,000
Sport and Recreation NGO funding	Healthy Communities	500,000
Healthy Community Grants	Healthy Communities	600,000
Regional Council Infrastructure Support –water services	Healthy Communities	1,800,000
Safe Communities NGO Support	Safe Communities	1,300,000
Transport Infrastructure development	Safe Communities	500,000
	Total	24,989,000

Answer:

Part B.

The TSRA grants disaggregation over the forward estimates is as follows:

Torres Strait Regional Authority	Budget Estimate	Budget Estimate	Budget Estimate	Budget Estimate	Budget Estimate
Grants disaggregation	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/2017	2017/18
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
CDEP Wages	4,915	4,736	4,715	4,136	0
Major Infrastructure Program #5	7,600	7,400	3,400		
Seawalls	2,500	3,500	0	0	0
Other	11,351	9,353	11,060	12,877	12,999
Total grants funding	26,366	24,989	19,175	17,013	12,999