SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10

Outcome 3

DEEWR Question No. EW774_10

Senator MacDonald provided in writing.

Question

Education Projects - Obesity Project

- (i) What is the status of the Centre for Obesity project?
- (ii) Why is the project still at a planning stage?
- (iii) How much has the Commonwealth expended to date on this project?
- (iv) Is the project running to schedule and within budget?
- (v) Has the Department and Minister been provided with any advice as to the status and progress of this project?

Answer

- (i) The concept design for the project is nearing completion and lodgement of the Project Application to the Department of Planning is on schedule for 30 November 2009. Following lodgement, the design process will continue in order to develop the necessary detailed tender documentation to progress to tender for the main works in September 2010.
- (ii) The project is at the design stage, the planning stage has recently been completed. In order to maintain the programme, the design and planning activities were carried out concurrently.
- (iii) \$10 million.
- (iv) The project is on track and within budget.
- (v) The Department has been provided with progress reports regarding the status and progress of this project.