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Senator Urquhart asked:

With relation to AusAid climate change adaptation programs, can the Department (with assistance from Foreign Affairs if required) provide a detailed account of exactly which programs, facilitated by, or with the assistance of, the Department, are continuing and those that are ending or being adjusted in terms of focus, outcome and or funding.

Answer:

The Department of the Environment administers one Australian Aid-funded climate change adaptation programme. The \$32 million *Pacific-Australia Climate Change Science and Adaptation Planning* (PACCSAP) programme commenced in 2011 and will end in 2014.

The PACCSAP programme works with countries across the Pacific to:

1. improve scientific understanding of climate change in the pacific
2. improve adaptation planning to build resilience to climate change impacts, and
3. increase awareness of climate science, impacts and adaptation options.