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Question:

On page 10 of the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet's submission to the Senate Inquiry into the Indigenous Advancement Strategy, it states that "some funding has been set aside for demand driven opportunities."

- a) How much funding is available – or has been set aside - for demand-driven applications?
- b) How many demand driven projects have been applied for to date and for what value? How many were successful?
- c) How much funding has been committed through the demand-driven process?
- d) How much has been committed through ad hoc or direct funding?

Answer:

- a) As of 31 October 2015, over \$2.2 billion is available for funding through any mechanism under the IAS Guidelines, including activities currently defined as Demand Driven.
- b) Providing a determinant number of applications is difficult due to the iterative nature of the application process. One application may include many projects, of which only one or several may be successful. Similarly, an application could be submitted and rejected for the same project a number of times before it is successful.
- c) Refer to PM52.
- d) Refer to PM52.