

Question No: 124

Question: Allocations to NT Special Education Program

Date: 11/08/92

Member: Mr BELL

To: MINISTER for EDUCATION and TRAINING

1. Under the Commonwealth Program for Schools 1991, what applications were received for the following funding allocations to the NT -

- (a) Schools Support, Government Grants, \$280 000;
- (b) Schools Support, Non-Government Grants, \$220 000; and
- (c) Intervention Support Joint grants, \$158 000.

2. Which of the above applications were successful.

3. What programs are available for children who were the subject of any unsuccessful applications.

4. What was the 'on cost' component of each of these programs.

5. How was the 'on cost' component calculated.

6. What submissions sponsored by each of the following organisations did or did not receive funding under these programs -

- (a) Acacia Hill Special School;
- (b) Henbury Avenue Special School;
- (c) Ludmilla Special School;
- (d) School of the Air, Alice Springs; and
- (e) School of the Air, Katherine.

ANSWER

1. The Commonwealth Special Education Program operates on a calendar year basis.

Allocations for both 1991 and 1992 are attached -

1991 Schools Support - Government Grants

Refer attachment A.

1992 Schools Support - Government Grants

Refer attachment B.

1991 Schools Support - Non-Government Grants

Refer attachment C.

1992 Schools Support - Non-Government Grants

Refer attachment D.

1991 Intervention Support Joint Grants

Refer attachment E.

1992 Intervention Support Joint Grants

Refer attachment F.

2. The outcome of the above applications is to be found within attachments A to F attached.

3. Unsuccessful applications, if considered to be valid Special Education requests, are met as far as possible within existing resources.

4. The oncost component for the Commonwealth Special Education Program is 15.6% for each element of the program in 1991 and 16.1% for each element of the program in 1992.

5. Note: Mr Bell has requested this information previously. (Refer Appropriation Bill 1991-1992, Supplementary and Other Questions - Rationalisation of Services).

The Oncost Component consists of 2 elements -

(i) Secretariat Levy (1991 - 7.5%, 1992 - 8%)
Departmental Levy (1991 - 8.1%, 1992 - 8.1%)

For 1992 a levy was applied for Advisory services -

School Support - Government Grants - 2%.
Intervention Support Joint Grants - 2%.

All administration and meeting costs are provided through the Commonwealth Programs Secretariat which is fully funded from levies applied to Commonwealth programs. The amount levied against the Commonwealth Special Education Program for this purpose was \$50 437 for 1991, \$52 320 for 1992.

(ii) Departmental Levy (1991 - 8%, 1992 - 8%)

This Levy was calculated through the identification of costs incurred by the department in providing indirect administrative support to the program such as payment of salaries to program staff, payment of accounts, coordination of projects by departmental officers and any other tasks which could not be economically transferred to the Commonwealth Programs Secretariat.

The department is reimbursed for the cost of providing these indirect administrative duties.

(iii) Advisory Levy (1992 - 2%)

This levy was calculated through the identification of salary and operational costs incurred for the 2 advisory officers.

School Support Government Grants - 2%, Intervention Support Joint Grants - 2%.

6. (a) Acacia Hill Special School

1991 School Support Government Grants

PROJECT TITLE AMOUNT AMOUNT
REQUESTED RECEIVED

Renovations to Facilities \$ 3 335.00 \$ 2 979.73
Physiotherapy Project \$ 3 000.00 \$ 3 000.00

1991 School Support Joint Intervention

Community Integration \$ 9 722.00 \$ 9 742.04
Posture Perfect \$ 8 910.00 \$ 7 313.00
Safe Outdoor Play Area \$ 1 075.00 \$ 1 075.00

TOTAL 1991 \$26 042.00 \$24 109.77

1992 School Support Government Grants

PROJECT TITLE AMOUNT AMOUNT
REQUESTED RECEIVED

Community & Home
Integration \$ 9 594.00 \$ 0.00

TOTAL 1992 \$ 9 594.00 \$ 0.00

(b) Henbury Avenue School

1991 Schools Support Government Grants

PROJECT TITLE AMOUNT AMOUNT
REQUESTED RECEIVED

Step Project \$21 526.00 \$ 0.00
Aids and Equipment \$ 1 500.00 \$ 1 000.00
Assistance and Integration \$30 782.40 \$15 000.00
Integration Equipment \$ 8 300.00 \$ 4 500.00

1991 School Support Joint Intervention

PROJECT TITLE AMOUNT AMOUNT
REQUESTED RECEIVED

Support for Students Travel \$10 260.00 \$ 0.00
School/Adult Transition \$17 716.00 \$ 0.00

TOTAL 1991 \$90 084.40 \$20 500.00

1992 School Support Government Grants

Integration into High School \$19 680.00 \$16 824.00
Community Integration \$42 261.03 \$33 918.50

1992 School Support Joint Intervention

Support for Attendance \$17 220.00 \$ 0.00

Community Outreach \$19 680.00 \$ 0.00

TOTAL 1992 \$98 841.03 \$50 742.50

(c) Ludmilla Special School

1991 School Support Government Grants

PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT RECEIVED
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Integration Support	\$24 661.50	\$24 662.00
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1991 School Support Joint Intervention

Assessment Mobility Simulator	\$11 294.60	\$ 0.00
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Wheelchair Hoist	\$ 6 480.00	\$ 6 480.00
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Assessment Mobility Simulator	\$11 294.60	\$11 294.60
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TOTAL 1991 \$53 730.70 \$42 436.60

1992 School Support Government Grants

PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT RECEIVED
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Communication Assessment	\$ 6 494.00	\$ 6 494.00
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1992 School Support Joint Intervention

Integration Support	\$29 520.00	\$19 680.00
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TOTAL 1992 \$36 014.00 \$26 174.00

(d) School of the Air, Alice Springs

(i) 1991 Applications NIL

(ii) 1992 Applications NIL

(e) School of the Air, Katherine

(i) 1991 Applications NIL

(ii) 1992 Applications NIL

Note: Mr Bell may be referring to the funding of a Special Teacher for Katherine School of the Air. This was funded under the Disadvantaged Schools Program for 1992.

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