

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Higgins to the Minister for Public Employment:

Workforce Planning and Development

1. Has the overall employment of people with a disability improved under this Government? If yes, can you provide data to support this? Has a review into the disability employment strategy taken place?
2. Budget Paper 3, page 169 states that the Government is committed to increasing the percentage of the workforce who identify as Aboriginal to 16% by 2020. How does the Government plan on doing this? Can you detail how many of the current Aboriginal workforce in the NTPS were born in the Northern Territory or have resided here long-term?
3. What are the 2026 Indigenous employment targets of Government? How does the Government plan on achieving those targets?
4. What are you doing, if anything, to ensure that individuals employed under Special Measures Plans from remote communities are specifically recorded as such?
5. How many additional people have moved to the Northern Territory since the Government introduced the Part Time Public Holidays? How is the Government measuring this?
6. In November, your Office provided an answer suggesting that the gender ratio in your office was not reflective of the Territory population. Can you explain why that is the case and whether this is consistent with the government's diversity policy?

7. In November, your office provided an answer suggesting that \$12,800 had been spent on “unconscious bias training”, is this figure just for your office? Can the minister explain what this training is and why it is needed? Up to this point in time, how much has been spent across government on “unconscious bias training” and how much has been allocated for future training?

8. How many reviews into Special Measures unsuitability were conducted in the past twelve months? How does this compare to historical figures?