

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics:

**Remote Housing Construction**

1. How much does it cost on average to build a three-bedroom home in a remote community?
2. How much does it cost on average to build a three-bedroom home in an urban setting?
3. Remote housing land doesn't need to be bought. It is owned by the Aboriginal people who live there, land they gained under the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976* or on town leases in Alice Springs. Is this correct?
4. Is there a minimum requirement in the remote housing contracts for a number of apprentices and trainees?
  - a. How many?
  - b. For what periods?
  - c. What trades?
  - d. Is the progression of those apprenticeships monitored, and if so, how?
5. Contractors need to submit an Indigenous Development Plan which is monitored throughout the life of the contract, including employment. Are copies of this Plan available to the public? If so, where can they be found?
6. What are the consequences if apprenticeships are terminated ahead of their terms (by the employer and/or the apprentice)?
7. Please provide details as to a typical new remote house – square metres, materials, numbers of bedrooms, toilets, bathrooms and provide a plan drawing of a typical dwelling.