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To: Hon. Lauren Moss

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QUESTION

Minister, could you give us details of your control projects for the neem trees on the Victoria River?

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Answer

The answer I have is that the most established infestations are in Wickham River, Victoria River Downs station, Victoria River upper reaches on Aboriginal and Aboriginal lease land around Kalkarindji, in Daguragu, and Timber Creek.

The focus has been on the upper catchment area as the most strategic area. They have an annual ongoing neem eradication program. The Territory Natural Resource Management Organisation funded and the Victoria River District Cattlemen's Association recently undertook a project on Aboriginal leased land around Kalkarindji, which involved lessee and local Aboriginal people.

We continue to provide education and awareness where needed.