

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Chief Minister:

Level Five Staffing

1. How many ministerial / political staff are employed on level 5 of Parliament House by the office of the Chief Minister?
 2. How are these positions allocated to Ministers? Please provide a full breakdown of the staff position titles and salary levels of all staff in each ministerial office.
 3. Please provide a full breakdown of the staff (position titles and salary levels) of all staff attached to the individual 9 Northern Territory Ministers.
 4. How many media advisors (press secretaries or media staff) are attached to each ministerial portfolio?
 5. How many social media staff are attached to each Minister? What salary levels are these social media staff employed on?
 6. What is the role of the social media staff on level 5 of Parliament House?
 7. Why do some Ministers have social media staff and other Ministers do not?
 8. How many media advisors are employed on level 5 of Parliament House? Please provide detail of the salary levels these staff are employed on?
 9. How many full time equivalent staff are employed at level 5 of Parliament House?
 10. How many "executive" staff are employed at level 5 of Parliament House? Please provide a breakdown of the salary levels of all the executive staff.
 11. How many administrative staff are employed at level 5 of Parliament House? Please provide details as to the administrative level of each staff member.
 12. How many executive staff are employed to directly assist the Chief Minister? Please provide a breakdown of the positions titles and salary levels of these staff?
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ANSWER:

As of 16 August 2022, the Office of the Chief Minister (OCM) employs 71 staff (Headcount), across nine Ministerial Offices and two shared service teams.

Generally, a Minister's Office team will consist of a Chief of Staff, Policy Advisor (1-3 Policy Advisors, depending on number of portfolios), a Press Secretary and an Executive Assistant.

The Strategic Communications and Engagement Unit is a shared service team that provides advice across OCM.

OCM employee expenses are detailed in the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet Annual Report. Roles range from Administrative Officer 4 to Executive Officer Contracts.