

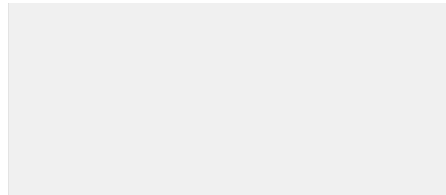
Question No : 329

Question : Crocodile Association

Question Date : 22/02/94

Member : Mr BAILEY

To : MINISTER for CONSERVATION



1. What was the total value of grants and loans provided to individual crocodile farmers and the Crocodile Association during the following financial years -

- (a) 1991-92; and
- (b) 1992-93.

2. What was the purpose of the loans and grants and to whom were they provided.

3. What benefit was devised from these loans or grants.

4. Were any reports prepared as a result; if so, what were they.

ANSWER

1. There were no grants or loans provided to individual crocodile farmers or the Crocodile Association in either 1991-92 or 1992-93 financial years by the Conservation Commission. However, the Department of Industries and Development provided the following funding -

1991-92	\$2491.60
1992-93	\$7363.87.

2. Funds were made available under the Export Market Assistance Scheme which is designed to reimburse exporters for expenses incurred in market research, advertising and promotion, freight of samples, exhibitions, trade fairs and other approved activities where these are below the EMDG threshold.

1991-92	Lagoon Croc Farm Pty Ltd	\$2491 60
1992-93	Croc Farm (NT) Pty Ltd	\$6272 87
	Lagoon Croc Farm Pty Ltd	\$1091 00.

3. It gives exporters and potential exporters the opportunity to visit countries and gain first-hand knowledge of the markets and make personal contact with business people, to assist in optimising export opportunities.

4. Reports were made available to officers of the Department of Industries and Development in line with the requirements of the scheme on a commercial-in-confidence basis.