

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Ms Purick to the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice:

**Programmes While on Remand**

1. How many people are on remand in the Holtze Jail?
2. What programmes of education and or rehabilitation are provided for people on remand?
3. List the names of programs available, to people on remand?
4. Are these programmes delivered “in-house” or by an external provider and if so, what are the names of the providers and the programs delivered?
5. When a person is placed on remand, is an assessment undertaken upon entry to the jail as to the relevant programs that may be beneficial for improvement of the individual while on remand?

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**ANSWER**

1. As at midnight of 21 January 2024, there were 662 people on remand at Darwin Correctional Centre.
2. Refer to table at Answer 4.
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4. Programs delivered:

<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Provider</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
<b>Education</b>		
Quicksmart	University of New England	An English literacy and numeracy program that works on establishing new neural pathways in the brain to support learning.
Vocational Education and Training and Short courses	Charles Darwin University (CDU)	A range of vocational education and training skills sets, short courses and certificate courses provided through CDU.
Tertiary Enabling Program and higher education	University of Southern Queensland	Distance tertiary enabling and some higher education courses provided.

<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Provider</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
<b>Psycho-educational / criminogenic</b>		
Safe, Sober, Strong (SSS)	Northern Territory Correctional Services (NTCS)	SSS is an eight-day psychoeducational program covering emotional regulation, problem solving, substance use and release planning.
Family Violence Program	NTCS	A five-day psychoeducational program.
<b>Other Services</b>		
Elders Visiting Program	NTCS	The program is available to those on remand and sentenced, female and male prisoners and is delivered over a three day period with each community representative scheduled to visit a correctional centre, three times per year.
Prisoners Aid	Darwin Prisoner Aid Association	Provision of support to prisoners for discharge and court appearances, access to a poetry program and assistance with repatriation. Christmas gifts for all female prisoners and/or children.
Chaplaincy	Anglicare NT	Religious, spiritual and pastoral care to adult prisoners, including remandees, upon request.
Prison In-reach Alcohol and other Drugs (AOD) assessment and counselling	Department of Health	Alcohol and drug counselling.
Brief psychological support	Department of Health	Short term psychological intervention available for all prisoners including those on remand.
Strong Steps counselling (AOD)	CAAPS Aboriginal Corporation	Alcohol and drug counselling.
Aboriginal Mental Health First Aid training	National Wellbeing Alliance	The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mental Health First Aid course teaches participants how to provide initial support to an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander adult who may be experiencing a mental health problem or mental health crisis, until professional support is received, or the crisis resolves. This training is open to all adult prisoners and is delivered over a two day period.

5. Yes.