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(Paper No. 455)

- * 5130 TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ACQUISITIONS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) Reports suggest that only around half of the Sydney Metro acquisitions in Clyde, Burwood/Concord and Five Dock precincts have reached an agreement - is this correct?
 - (2) Did the government stop negotiations several weeks before Gazettal in Clyde, Burwood/Concord and Five Dock?
 - (a) If so, why?
 - (3) What per cent of RMS acquisitions are resolved by agreement?
 - (4) What per cent of Sydney Metro acquisitions are resolved by agreement?
 - (5) How many full time acquisition staff do the following agencies employ?
 - (a) RMS or RMS division of TfNSW
 - (b) TfNSW
 - (c) Local Councils
 - (d) OSL
 - (e) Sydney Metro
 - (f) Sydney Water
 - (6) How many full time contractor acquisition staff do the following agencies employ?
 - (a) RMS or RMS division of TfNSW
 - (b) TfNSW
 - (c) Local Councils
 - (d) OSL
 - (e) Sydney Metro
 - (f) Sydney Water
 - (7) What is the total number of claims (resolved or unresolved) that Sydney Metro have in Westmead?
 - (8) How many matters in Westmead have now been referred to the Valuer General?
 - (9) What is the total number of claims (resolved or unresolved) that Sydney Metro have in Clyde?
 - (10) How many matters in Clyde have now been referred to the Valuer General?
 - (11) What is the total number of claims (resolved or unresolved) that Sydney Metro have in Burwood/Concord?
 - (12) How many matters in Burwood/Concord have now been referred to the Valuer General?
 - (13) What is the total number of claims (resolved or unresolved) that Sydney Metro have in Five Dock?
 - (14) How many matters in Five Dock have now been referred to the Valuer General?
 - (15) What is the total number of property investors having their properties acquired in Westmead, Clyde, Five Dock and Burwood/Concord?
 - (a) Of these, how many were paid stamp duty?
 - (16) How long do acquisition negotiations normally go for?
 - (17) How long did negotiations go for regarding the three homes being acquired for the Riverwood commuter carpark?

- (18) Has there been a reduction in the acquisition timeframe for the three homes being acquired for the Riverwood commuter carpark?
- (a) If so, why was the statutory timeframe reduced?
- (19) What is the acquisition by agreement total so far for financial year 2020-21 (as per the categories for last financial years: <https://www.propertyacquisition.nsw.gov.au/data-2020-summary-acquisitions>) for the following agencies:
- (a) RMS or RMS division of TfNSW
- (b) TfNSW
- (c) Local Councils
- (d) OSL
- (e) Sydney Metro
- (f) Sydney Water
- (20) What is the compulsory acquisition total so far for financial year 2020-21 (as per the categories for last financial years: <https://www.propertyacquisition.nsw.gov.au/data-2020-summary-acquisitions>) for the following agencies:
- (a) RMS or RMS division of TfNSW
- (b) TfNSW
- (c) Local Councils
- (d) OSL
- (e) Sydney Metro
- (f) Sydney Water
- (21) What is the hardship acquisition total so far for financial year 2020-21 (as per the categories for last financial years: <https://www.propertyacquisition.nsw.gov.au/data-2020-summary-acquisitions>) for the following agencies:
- (a) RMS or RMS division of TfNSW
- (b) TfNSW
- (c) Local Councils
- (d) OSL
- (e) Sydney Metro
- (f) Sydney Water
- (22) What is the government acquisition total so far for financial year 2020-21 (as per the categories for last financial years: <https://www.propertyacquisition.nsw.gov.au/data-2020-summary-acquisitions>) for the following agencies:
- (a) RMS or RMS division of TfNSW
- (b) TfNSW
- (c) Local Councils
- (d) OSL
- (e) Sydney Metro
- (f) Sydney Water
- (23) What is the overall acquisition total so far for financial year 2020-21 (as per the categories for last financial years: <https://www.propertyacquisition.nsw.gov.au/data-2020-summary-acquisitions>) for the following agencies:
- (a) RMS or RMS division of TfNSW

- (b) TfNSW
- (c) Local Councils
- (d) OSL
- (e) Sydney Metro
- (f) Sydney Water

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) No.
- (2) The legislative process was followed as set out in the Just Terms Act.
- (3) Transport for NSW (TfNSW) seeks to complete acquisitions by agreement rather than by compulsory acquisition process. In the current financial year, 90 per cent of all properties acquired by TfNSW were completed by agreement.
- (4) The acquisition process is not complete.
- (5 and 6) The Transport Cluster has over 25,000 employees each of whom are engaged on a variety of matters.

Parts c. and d. should be referred to the Minister for Local Government.

- (7-14) TfNSW seeks to complete acquisitions by agreement rather than by compulsory acquisition process. In the current financial year, 90 per cent of all properties acquired by TfNSW were completed by agreement.

The remaining acquisition matters will be compulsorily acquired with compensation to be determined independently by the NSW Valuer-General.

- (15) The Transport Cluster does not disclose the personal information of property owners.
- (16–18) All acquisitions (including timeframes) follow the processes set out in the Just Terms Act.
- (19-23) Information regarding acquisitions by NSW Government agencies is publicly reported on an annual basis.

Parts c. and d. should be referred to the Minister for Local Government.

* 5132 ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT—HEALTH-HAZARDOUS AIR POLLUTION FROM WOOD-FIRED HEATERS—Ms Cate Faehrmann to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) What is the estimated number of new wood heaters installed in recent years in:
 - (a) Sydney?
 - (b) Newcastle?
 - (c) Wollongong?
 - (d) NSW?
- (2) Do real-life emissions of new wood-fire heaters satisfy the current Australian emissions standard of no greater than 1.5g PM2.5 per kilogram of wood burnt?
- (3) What is the estimated annual health costs of a brand new wood-fire heater installed in NSW?
- (4) Do councils have the power to limit the installation of new wood stoves to those with lab test emissions ratings below 0.1 g/kg?

- (5) Has the NSW Government provided any financial or other assistance to Armidale Regional Council to reduce the 32 exceedances in 2018 of the daily average standard for PM2.5, and 63 exceedances in one residential area, since learning of these air pollution measurements?
- (6) Will the NSW Government work with Armidale Regional Council to implement a pollution-reduction program commensurate with the estimated health costs of thousands of dollars per wood heater per year?

Answer—

- (1) Local councils are responsible for issuing approvals for installation of wood heaters under the Local Government Act 1993. The NSW Government administers the Building Sustainability Index (BASIX) scheme for new dwellings only. Under this scheme the following number of certificates for new dwellings with wood heaters were issued in the last five years in NSW:
 - (a) Sydney - 732
 - (b) Newcastle - 15
 - (c) Wollongong - 91
 - (d) NSW - 7756.
- (2) The NSW Government has not undertaken real-life emissions testing of wood heaters.
- (3) It is not feasible to assess the health impacts of an individual wood heater. However, some research has been undertaken to assess the health impacts of wood heaters in general as outlined in the draft NSW Clean Air Strategy 2021-30. The draft strategy includes actions to improve our knowledge about the impacts of wood smoke and promote healthier households by reducing wood heater emissions. The strategy is available for consultation until 23 April 2021 at www.nsw.gov.au/have-your-say/draft-nsw-clean-air-strategy.
- (4) NSW Councils have powers to restrict installation of wood heaters under their planning instruments. However, there are currently no wood heaters with certified emission ratings below 0.1 g/kg available in Australia.
- (5) The NSW Government supports all councils by providing guidance and resources for their compliance and community education activities. The NSW Environment Protection Authority provided funding of \$110,000 to Armidale Regional Council as part of a wood smoke reduction program, over three years from 2013 to 2015. The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment installed an ambient air quality monitoring station in Armidale in 2018 at a cost of almost \$200,000 and funds its annual operational and maintenance cost of more than \$30,000.
- (6) The NSW Environmental Trust provides funding to a range of community and local government programs. Armidale Regional Council is encouraged to apply for a grant when the next round of the environmental education program is announced later this year.

* 5133 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—CENTRE FOR EFFECTIVE READING—
The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) What is the capacity of the Centre for Effective Reading, broken down by student numbers, per year, per term and if applicable per school?
- (2) How many students can it accommodate each day?

Answer—

- (1) The Department does not hold data on the capacity of the NSW Centre for Effective Reading (the Centre), as students referred to the Centre are considered on the basis of their individual support needs.

The Centre provides important service for students who require additional reading supports tailored to their needs. Students who attend 1,038 primary schools across NSW, are eligible to receive support from the Centre, including government and non-government primary schools.

The Centre currently supports 205 students across NSW primary schools, including government and non-government primary schools.

Current details of the primary school student numbers supported by the Centre are as follows:

- 59 students supported by the Dubbo campus
- 46 students supported by the Wagga Wagga campus
- 53 students supported by the Manly campus
- 47 students supported by the Westmead campus.

The reading supports are delivered at the student's school by school staff with regular guidance and support from the Centre staff.

- (2) The Department does not hold data on the number of students accommodated each day, as the level and scope of support provided to students is considered over a 12-month period, in consultation with the student's school and tailored to their individual needs.

* 5134 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—SCHOOL LOCKDOWNS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) How many NSW public schools have had lockdowns in the following years:
- (a) 2019?
 - (b) 2020?
 - (c) 2021 (to date)?
- (2) How many NSW public schools have safe rooms on the school grounds? Please provide a list broken down by school and date safe room was installed.
- (3) Please provide a list broken down by schools outlining the 5 most common reason a school will go into lockdown?
- (4) How many NSW public schools have had more than one lockdown in a week? Please provide a list broken down by school.
- (5) How many NSW public schools have had more than one lockdown a term? Please provide a list broken down by term, school and electorate.

Answer—

- (1) The number of lockdowns conducted by NSW public schools for the calendar years requested is summarised below;

Year	Number of Lockdowns
2019	120
2020	118
2021 (to date)	23

It should be noted that the above information is based on incident reports provided to the Incident Report and Support Hotline by the relevant school.

- (2) The term “Safe Room” is not utilised within Department of Education policies and procedures. The Department has in place extensive lockdown procedures to deal with a situation occurring either on site or external to the site.
- (3) The most common reasons a school will initiate a lockdown are related to incidents that involve:
- (i) Student Behaviour.
 - (ii) Risk of harm due to threats or incidents involving assault.
 - (iii) Offsite Police Operation in the local area to keep schools safe.

- (4) There have been three schools in NSW that have had more than one lockdown in a week for the period 2019, 2020 and 2021 (to date). These schools are Eagle Vale High School, Highlands School, and Ingleburn High School.
- (5) There have been 9 schools in NSW that have had more than one lockdown in a term for the period 2019, 2020 and 2021 (to date). These schools are Anson Street School, Eagle Vale High School, Kurri Kurri High School, Highlands School, Carinya School, Mittagong Public School, Ingleburn High School, Lithgow High School, Kalinda School.

* 5135 PUBLIC SERVICE AND EMPLOYEE RELATIONS, ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS, AND THE ARTS—JOB SHARE REGISTRY—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Which Minister and agency administers the job share registry for the NSW Government?

Answer—

The Public Service Commission (PSC) provides a range of resources to support job share arrangements.

During 2019/20 the PSC trialled a job share matching platform to allow employees interested in job sharing to connect and find a job share partner. The platform is administered by an external provider and is available to staff employed in departments and agencies who have subscribed to the platform.

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* 5137 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—DARK EMU—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) In the use of Bruce Pascoe's Dark Emu in NSW government schools, is the book treated as a work of fiction or non-fiction?
- (a) If non-fiction, what evidence can the Minister identify for the early colonial Governors destroying the Aboriginal townships, crops and fields in and around Sydney post-1788, as per the Pascoe thesis?

Answer—

Dark Emu is not a mandated text, individual schools determine resources to be used to support teaching and learning. It is treated as a non-fiction source material.

In history K-12, the inquiry process ensures that all sources are analysed for reliability, usefulness and perspective. No source is used alone. Multiple sources of material that present varying perspectives ensure that students' understanding of history is nuanced and complex, rather than a simple story using just one particular viewpoint.

* 5138 ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT—COAL-FIRED POWER STATIONS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) Since 1 December 2020, has the Minister or his Department discussed or exchanged correspondence with any of the owners of NSW's coal-fired power stations about the early closure of the stations? If so, what are the details?

Answer—

The NSW Government regularly communicates with owners of electricity infrastructure in NSW to discuss a range of issues, including their fleets and energy policy.

* 5140 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—WEST KEMPSEY PUBLIC SCHOOL—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

With regard to West Kempsey Public School:

- (1) Is the Minister aware of how well regarded Principal David Munday has been at the school?
- (2) Why has he been removed?
- (3) Who will replace him?
- (4) How has the selection of the new Principal been determined?
- (5) Has West Kempsey Public School become a Connected Communities school?
 - (a) What will this mean for the 50% of the school population who are not Indigenous?

Answer—

- (1) Mr David Munday's dedication and commitment to the school and community has been appreciated and recognised.
- (2) Mr Munday was not removed from the school. When a school is selected as a Connected Communities school, the Principal classification changes, resulting in the recruitment of an Executive Principal. All substantive principals in selected Connected Communities schools are encouraged to apply for the Executive Principal position.

Following the outcomes of the merit selection recruitment for the Executive Principal position, the incumbent principal, if not the successful applicant, or if they did not apply, will be eligible for nominated transfer status at level or incentive transfer if applicable. The Department of Education will case manage the placement of each impacted principal.

Mr Munday's new appointment has been confirmed. He will transfer to another school at the same level.

- (3) Mr Todd Potter was the successful applicant for the Executive Principal position at Kempsey West Public School. Mr Potter was the Principal at Frank Partridge VC Public School and is a proven school leader.
- (4) The selection of the Executive Principal has been determined through a merit selection process. The responsibilities of a Connected Communities Executive Principal differ from that of other public school principals in as much as the position is the highest level of principalship in the organisation. It has its own classification and requires high level collaboration and involvement across government and non-government agencies and the community, particularly with the school's Local School Reference Group.
- (5) Kempsey West Public school is now a Connected Communities school.
 - (a) The Connected Communities Strategy focusses on improving learning and wellbeing outcomes for Aboriginal students and is inclusive of all students. The Strategy positions schools as community hubs. It broadens the influence of the community and school leadership, to play a role in the delivery of key services, supporting children and young people from birth, through school and into further training, study and employment.

* 5141 PREMIER—LEADING WITH PRIDE EVENT—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Premier—

In relation to the 'Leading With Pride' event organised and hosted by the Premier and Cabinet Cluster, 12 noon to 2pm, Monday 15 March 2021:

- (1) How many public servants
 - (a) registered for, and
 - (b) participated in the event?

- (2) What benefit is there to the people of NSW for public servants to spend time on personal sexuality matters during work hours?

Answer—

I am advised:

This event was organised by the Department of Premier and Cabinet Cluster.

29 public servants participated in the event.

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(Paper No. 457)

- * 5142 PLANNING AND PUBLIC SPACES—GOVERNMENT ARCHITECT—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—

I refer the Minister to the March 2021 launch of the new Design and Place SEPP on Webinar by the Government Architect Abbie Galvin and ask:

- (1) By which climate science qualifications has Ms Galvin declared "we have clearly got a major climate emergency on our hands"?
- (2) On what basis has Ms Galvin declared a major climate emergency in NSW and how has the Minister responded to this declaration?
- (3) What is the Government Architect doing in response to the major climate emergency to:
 - (a) Move coastal residents to higher ground in response to rapidly rising sea levels?
 - (b) Evacuate Western Sydney residents due to the uninhabitable 50 degree+ temperatures she has identified in the recent 2020/21 summer?
- (4) Why was Ms Galvin unable to explain what the design principles of "Connecting to Country" actually mean?
 - (a) What do they mean?
- (5) Which historical record of Indigenous architectural design is Ms Galvin and the Government relying on for its "Connecting to Country" approach?
- (6) What is Ms Galvin's involvement at the Aerotropolis in destroying the country and vegetation once inhabited by Aborigines?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The NSW Government Architect is informed by World Green Building Council reports on Advancing Net Zero which outline the critical relationship between the construction industry (responsible for 39% of global carbon emissions) and climate change. The NSW Government Architect is a Lifetime Fellow of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects and does not claim climate science qualifications. Ms Galvin's mention of 'a climate emergency' was in the context of a discussion about the need to design apartment buildings that enable adequate ventilation, and which are thermally comfortable for residents in places that are increasingly heat affected and with growing populations. These comments were in the context of the proposed new Design and Place State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) which will establish parameters for the design of the built environment in NSW now and into the future, and so responds to climate change impacts on the built environment in line with industry norms.
- (2) As noted in the answer to Question 1, the NSW Government Architect is informed by World Green Building Council reports on Advancing Net Zero which outline the critical relationship between the construction industry (responsible for 39% of global carbon emissions) and

climate change. The reference to a climate emergency emphasises the need to both ensure good amenity in apartments for the safety and comfort of occupants during extreme weather, and to minimise use of resources. The full context of the comment included consideration of how solar access, cross ventilation and tree planting are addressed in the proposed new Apartment Design Guide which is being developed alongside the Design and Place SEPP.

- (3)
- (a) The relocation of coastal residents is not within the remit of the Government Architect. The Explanation of Intended Effect (EIE) for the draft Design and Place SEPP does, however, require all precinct developments to produce a Resilience Implementation Plan to address all site-specific risks and hazards in an integrated way. One of the four key risks identified within this resilience consideration is coastal erosion.
 - (b) The evacuation of residents is not within the remit of the Government Architect. The issue of extreme heat in Western Sydney continues to be a growing concern for many councils and industry stakeholders consulted during the public exhibition of the EIE for the draft Design and Place SEPP. The 'Turn Down the Heat' study by the Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC) on the impacts of urban heat in this region is one example of this. Urban heat mitigation is an area that the draft SEPP is identifying through areas such as increase in tree canopy requirements.
- (4) Section 2.2.1 in the EIE for the draft Design and Place SEPP explains how 'Connecting with Country' will be considered within the policy. It refers directly to the Connecting with Country Draft Framework, prepared by the office of Government Architect NSW, where this concept is described in full.
- (5) Many historical records of indigenous architecture, land management and aquaculture have been identified in recent research and writing. UNESCO describes cultural landscapes and living cultural practice as intangible heritage. The Connecting with Country Draft Framework is an approach to the planning, design and delivery of built environment projects which is based on the lived cultural experience of Aboriginal writers and contributors to the document. As such, Connecting with Country responds to those values identified by UNESCO by framing and Aboriginal perspective on planning, design and delivery of built environment projects.
- (6) The Government Architect and her team have provided strategic advice and design review, including advice relating to Connecting with Country to the teams developing the Aerotropolis SEPP and related key projects, including for Wianamatta (South Creek) with the aim of ensuring appropriate participation of Traditional Custodians and Knowledge Holders in decision making processes that relate to the health and well-being of Country in these areas. The extent to which that advice is taken up is at the discretion of the relevant project teams and Traditional Custodians.

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5331 PLANNING AND PUBLIC SPACES—DPIE AND ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAMS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—

- (1) What analysis has the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) undertaken concerning its economic stimulus programs at risk of underspend and implementation failure for the 2020/21 financial year?
- (2) For each of the programs assessed in (1) above:
 - (a) How much was the under-spend as at February 2021?
 - (b) Which programs were classified as 'On-track', 'At-risk' and 'Off-track'?
- (3) What corrective action is the Minister and the DPIE Leadership Team taking in relation to the implementation and delivery issues identified in (1) and (2) above?

5332 ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT—DPIE AND EES ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAMS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) What analysis has the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) and Environment Energy and Science (EES) undertaken concerning EES economic stimulus programs at risk of underspend and implementation failure for the 2020/21 financial year?
- (2) For each of the programs assessed in (1) above:
 - (a) How much was the under-spend as at February 2021?
 - (b) Which programs were classified as 'On-track', 'At-risk' and 'Off-track'?
- (3) What corrective action is the Minister, EES and the DPIE Leadership Team taking in relation to the implementation and delivery issues identified in (1) and (2) above?

5333 TREASURER—TREASURY ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAMS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Treasurer—

- (1) What analysis has Treasury undertaken concerning economic stimulus programs at risk of underspend and implementation failure for the 2020/21 financial year:
 - (a) Across government?
 - (b) In its own Department and Cluster?
- (2) For each of the programs assessed in (1) above:
 - (a) How much was the under-spend as at February 2021?
 - (b) Which programs were classified as 'On-track', 'At-risk' and 'Off-track'?
- (3) What corrective action is the Minister and his Cluster Leadership Team taking in relation to the implementation and delivery issues identified in (1) and (2) above?

5334 PREMIER—PREMIER AND CABINET ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAMS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Premier—

- (1) What analysis has the Department of Premier and Cabinet undertaken concerning economic stimulus programs at risk of underspend and implementation failure for the 2020/21 financial year:
 - (a) Across government?
 - (b) In its own Department and Cluster?
- (2) For each of the programs assessed in (1) above:
 - (a) How much was the under-spend as at February 2021?
 - (b) Which programs were classified as 'On-track', 'At-risk' and 'Off-track'?
- (3) What corrective action is the Premier and her Cluster Leadership Team taking in relation to the implementation and delivery issues identified in (1) and (2) above?

5335 CUSTOMER SERVICE—CUSTOMER SERVICE ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAMS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Customer Service—

- (1) What analysis has the Minister for Customer Service undertaken concerning economic stimulus programs at risk of underspend and implementation failure for the 2020/21 financial year:
 - (a) In the Minister's Cluster?
 - (b) In the Minister's Department?
- (2) For each of the programs assessed in (1) above:
 - (a) How much was the under-spend as at February 2021?

- (b) Which programs were classified as 'On-track', 'At-risk' and 'Off-track'?
- (3) What corrective action is the Minister and the Cluster Leadership Team taking in relation to the implementation and delivery issues identified in (1) and (2) above?
- 5336 REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES, INDUSTRY AND TRADE—REGIONAL NSW , INDUSTRY AND TRADE ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAMS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—
- (1) What analysis has the Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade undertaken concerning economic stimulus programs at risk of underspend and implementation failure for the 2020/21 financial year:
- (a) In the Minister's Cluster?
- (b) In the Minister's Department?
- (2) For each of the programs assessed in (1) above:
- (a) How much was the under-spend as at February 2021?
- (b) Which programs were classified as 'On-track', 'At-risk' and 'Off-track'?
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- (1) What analysis has the Minister for Transport and Roads undertaken concerning economic stimulus programs at risk of underspend and implementation failure for the 2020/21 financial year:
- (a) In the Minister's Cluster?
- (b) In the Minister's Department?
- (2) For each of the programs assessed in (1) above:
- (a) How much was the under-spend as at February 2021?
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- 5338 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAMS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) What analysis has the Minister for Health and Medical Research undertaken concerning economic stimulus programs at risk of underspend and implementation failure for the 2020/21 financial year:
- (a) In the Minister's Cluster?
- (b) In the Minister's Department?
- (2) For each of the programs assessed in (1) above:
- (a) How much was the under-spend as at February 2021?
- (b) Which programs were classified as 'On-track', 'At-risk' and 'Off-track'?
- (3) What corrective action is the Minister and the Cluster Leadership Team taking in relation to the implementation and delivery issues identified in (1) and (2) above?

5339 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAMS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) What analysis has the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning undertaken concerning economic stimulus programs at risk of underspend and implementation failure for the 2020/21 financial year:
 - (a) In the Minister's Cluster?
 - (b) In the Minister's Department?
- (2) For each of the programs assessed in (1) above:
 - (a) How much was the under-spend as at February 2021?
 - (b) Which programs were classified as 'On-track', 'At-risk' and 'Off-track'?
- (3) What corrective action is the Minister and the Cluster Leadership Team taking in relation to the implementation and delivery issues identified in (1) and (2) above?

5340 ATTORNEY GENERAL—ATTORNEY GENERAL ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAMS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning representing the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) What analysis has the Attorney General and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence undertaken concerning economic stimulus programs at risk of underspend and implementation failure for the 2020/21 financial year:
 - (a) In the Minister's Cluster?
 - (b) In the Minister's Department?
- (2) For each of the programs assessed in (1) above:
 - (a) How much was the under-spend as at February 2021?
 - (b) Which programs were classified as 'On-track', 'At-risk' and 'Off-track'?
- (3) What corrective action is the Minister and the Cluster Leadership Team taking in relation to the implementation and delivery issues identified in (1) and (2) above?

5341 FINANCE AND SMALL BUSINESS—REVIEW OF STATE-OWNED CORPORATIONS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business—

- (1) What were the findings of the report SCO932-2020 entitled "Building on Strong Foundations: A Review of State-Owned Corporations" for Transport Asset Holding Entity of New South Wales (TAHE), Essential Energy, Forestry Corp, Hunter Water, Sydney Water, Ports Authority, Landcom and Water NSW, concerning:
 - (a) The relative remuneration of:
 - (i) Chief Executive Officers (CEOs)?
 - (ii) Other senior executives?
 - (b) The financial performance?
 - (c) The return to shareholder ministers/Government?
 - (d) The quality of asset management?
 - (e) Customer service outcomes?
 - (f) Prospects for privatisation?
 - (g) Other performance indicators listed in the report?
- (2) What were the recommendations of the report SCO932-2020 entitled "Building on Strong Foundations: A Review of State-Owned Corporations" for Transport Asset Holding Entity of New

South Wales (TAHE), Essential Energy, Forestry Corp, Hunter Water, Sydney Water, Ports Authority, Landcom and Water NSW, concerning:

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- (f) Prospects for privatisation?
- (g) Other performance indicators listed in the report?

5342 TREASURER—REVIEW OF STATE-OWNED CORPORATIONS - TREASURER—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Treasurer—

- (1) What were the findings of the report SCO932-2020 entitled "Building on Strong Foundations: A Review of State-Owned Corporations" for Transport Asset Holding Entity of New South Wales (TAHE), Essential Energy, Forestry Corp, Hunter Water, Sydney Water, Ports Authority, Landcom and Water NSW, concerning:
 - (a) The relative remuneration of:
 - (i) Chief Executive Officers (CEOs)?
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 - (b) The financial performance?
 - (c) The return to shareholder ministers/Government?
 - (d) The quality of asset management?
 - (e) Customer service outcomes?
 - (f) Prospects for privatisation?
 - (g) Other performance indicators listed in the report?
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 - (a) The relative remuneration of:
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 - (d) The quality of asset management?
 - (e) Customer service outcomes?
 - (f) Prospects for privatisation?
 - (g) Other performance indicators listed in the report?

5343 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—FOOTPATH DAMAGE AND REPAIR WORKS—Mr David Shoebridge to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Minister for Local Government—

- (1) What funding is available to local councils to repair footpath damage as a result of companies installing utilities, for example, NBN?
- (2) How many councils have footpaths damaged by companies installing utilities?
- (3) Are companies that install utilities on footpaths required to restore the footpath to comply with disability standards?
 - (a) If so, what action has been taken to ensure that footpath repair works comply with Local Government?
- (4) Who is responsible for monitoring these works?
- (5) What mechanisms do local councils have to enforce accessible standards on footpath repairs by utility companies?
- (6) How long can footpaths which do not comply with accessible standards be temporarily repaired?

5344 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—RURAL AND REGIONAL FACILITIES WITHOUT A PHYSICAL DOCTOR—The Hon. Walt Secord to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

On March 19, 2021, during evidence provided to an inquiry being conducted by Portfolio Committee No. 2 – Health, into Health Outcomes and Access to Health and Hospital Services in Rural, Regional and Remote New South Wales, Mr Phillip Minns, Deputy Secretary, People Culture and Governance Division stated that in 2020 there were 40 instances where rural and regional facilities were without a physical doctor.

- (1) Please provide a full list of those hospitals which did not have a physical doctor on-site in that period?
 - (a) What dates did this occur?
 - (b) What was the longest period without a physical doctor in one of these hospitals?
 - (i) Which hospital was that?

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