

MENTAL HEALTH — GARNDUWA ARMBOORNY WIRAN

3725. Ms J. Farrer to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Mental Health:

I refer to the Minister's answer to my Question on Notice No. 3172 relating to Garnduwa Armboorny Wiran and ask:

- (a) in 2013–2014, how many:
 - (i) Back to Country Camps were held, how many people attended each of these camps, and where did the Back to Country camps take place; and
 - (ii) Suicide Prevention Awareness workshops were delivered and how many people participated and of these people, how many completed the program successfully;
- (b) as a result of the delivery of the Suicide Prevention Awareness Workshops:
 - (i) have suicide numbers decreased in the Fitzroy Valley area; and
 - (ii) how many of the successful participants of the program have assisted in preventing suicide; and
- (c) in 2013–2014, what is the number of people that have accessed services provided by Garnduwa Armboorny Wiran as a result of the additional funding of \$200 000?

Ms A.R. Mitchell replied:

- (a)
 - (i) One Back to Country Camp was held in Gooniyandi country and had 30 participants.
 - (ii) The following suicide prevention awareness workshops were delivered:
 - 1 at Noonkanbah — 22 started, 20 completed
 - 1 at Yiyili — 20 started, 15 completed
 - 2 at Wangkatjungka — 26 started, 13 completed
 - 1 at Yakanarra — 18 started, 16 completed
 - 3 at Fitzroy Crossing — 12 started and 12 completed — Applied Suicide Intervention Skills (ASIST)
 - 2 awareness workshops at the Garnduwa festival — 120 participants
 - 3 youth awareness workshops — 186 participants
- (b)
 - (i) Statistics relating to suicide rates should be redirected to the Office of the State Coroner at the Department of the Attorney General.
 - (ii) It is not practical to capture such data in relation to participants of camps and awareness raising activities. Only the ASIST course was specifically aimed at training people to enable them to assist others.
- (c) Over 800 people participated in the OneLife workshops, courses, awareness talks, sessions etc.