

QUESTION ON NOTICE
No. 648
Asked on Thursday, 19 April 2007

MR SPRINGBORG asked the Minister for Primary Industries and Fisheries (MR MULHERIN)-

QUESTION:

With reference to his answer to Question on Notice No. 271 asked on 6 March 2007 and in particular to the \$112m on research and development to increase productivity, build markets, promote flexibility and enhance sustainability of the primary industries sector in Queensland—

- (1) What programs have been established (reported separately) under the 'Research and development in transformational technologies' mentioned in his response?
- (2) What budget has been allocated for each program (reported separately) and for what period is this for?
- (3) How much of the budget has been spent of the allocated funding for each program?

ANSWER:

- (1) The Transformational Technologies Research Program consists of a range of research and development activities including Plant and Microbial Biotechnology, Genetics and Functional Genomics, Vaccine Delivery Systems and Applied Biotechnology (Plants and Animals).
- (2) The budget for the Transformational Technologies Program for the 2006-07 financial year is \$5,030,567.
- (3) Expenditure for the Transformational Technologies Program up to the end of March 2007 was \$3,056,827. It is expected that the program will expend its entire allocated budget by the end of June 2007.