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Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2020-2021
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
3 March 2022

Asked by NICOLE LAWDER MLA on 3 MARCH 2022: ASH BALARETNARAJA took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: Made in CBR Fund

MS LAWDER: You were talking about the Made in CBR fund and that there were nine applications approved. Were there only nine applications in total? I am just wondering why not all of the \$250,000 in the fund was allocated.

Mr Kobus: I will just pass to my colleague, Ash Balaretnaraja, who might have some detail on the total number of applications received.

Mr Balaretnaraja: I do not have that information in front of me, but we can take that on notice and get that information to you, Ms Lawder.

MS LAWDER: Thank you. I guess I am wondering what happened to the rest of the money in the fund, if it was not allocated. Will there be another round and will it perhaps roll over to the next round of the fund? If there were more than nine applicants, I presume—perhaps you could take it on notice—that other applicants did not quite meet the criteria and that is why the remainder of the funding was not allocated?

Mr Balaretnaraja: That could be a reason. But, yes, I will follow up on the specifics of that question.

Ms Cheyne: We will take all of that on notice, Ms Lawder, and get you that detail.

TARA CHEYNE MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

There were 19 applications for the Made in CBR program across three rounds in 2020-21. Of the 19 applicants, nine received funding, totalling \$180,310. The ten unsuccessful applications did not meet the grant criteria to be eligible for funding. Any unallocated funds remain in the CBR Screen Investment Fund, from which Made in CBR funding was drawn. Screen Canberra does not plan to run another round of Made in CBR, but productions may apply to the CBR Screen Investment Fund.

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By the Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tara Cheyne MLA